



Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

February 8, 2019

Mr. Macedonio Medina
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Sent Via U.S. Mail

Dear Mr. Medina:

UST PROGRAM: FORMER J'S GAS AND SAVE SITE, 1114 FREEDOM BOULEVARD, WATSONVILLE, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY – CASE CLOSURE TRANSMITTAL CASE #2573

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Chief Deputy Director ordered the closure of the underground storage tank (UST) case at the above-referenced address (State Water Board Order WQ 2016-0070 - UST¹). Therefore, the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) has no further requirements for groundwater investigation and/or cleanup at the above-referenced site². This concludes the Central Coast Water Board's regulatory oversight for the investigation and cleanup of the UST system release. This letter does not relieve you of the requirements of other agencies which may continue to have jurisdiction or require further work. As with any property, the discovery of additional or previously unidentified pollution at the site may require additional investigation and cleanup. This case is now closed as certified by the enclosed Case Closure Letter.

Residual soil and groundwater pollution still underlie the site that could pose an unacceptable risk under certain site redevelopment activities such as site grading, excavation, or dewatering. The Central Coast Water Board, Santa Cruz County Environmental Health Services (SCCEHS), and the appropriate local planning and building departments must be notified prior to any changes in land use, grading activities, excavation, or dewatering. This notification should include a statement that residual soil and groundwater pollution underlie the property and may underlie nearby properties, and a description of the mitigation actions necessary (if any) to ensure that any possibly polluted soil or groundwater brought to the surface by these activities are managed appropriately. Future site disturbance could require worker health and safety protection, and restrictions on the disposal of soil and groundwater. The levels of residual pollution and any associated risks are expected to diminish with time. SCCEHS may require additional site assessment if the property is proposed to be redeveloped. Additional actions required by SCCEHS may include, but not limited to, a case review, further remedial action, soil gas analysis, and a human health risk assessment.

¹ https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/regulators/deliverable_documents/3265568614/WQO_2016_0070_UST.pdf

² http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0608700117

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The site was subject to Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP) No. R3-2002-0053. The requirements of this MRP have been satisfied and the MRP is no longer active.

If you have questions regarding this letter, please contact Central Coast Water Board staff **Wei Liu** at (805) 542-4648 or Wei.Liu@waterboards.ca.gov or Jennifer Epp at (805) 594-6181.

Sincerely,

for John M. Robertson
Executive Officer

Attachment: Case Closure Letter

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This letter confirms the completion of site investigation and corrective action for the underground storage tanks formerly located at the above-described location. Thank you for your cooperation throughout this investigation. Your willingness and promptness in responding to our inquiries concerning the former underground storage tanks are greatly appreciated.

Based on the information in the above-referenced file and with the provision that the information provided to this agency was accurate and representative of site conditions, this agency finds that the site investigation and corrective action carried out at your underground storage tanks site is in compliance with the requirements of subdivisions (a) and (b) of section 25296.10 of the Health and Safety Code and with corrective action regulations adopted pursuant to section 25299.3 of the Health and Safety Code and that no further action related to the petroleum release at the site is required.

Claims for reimbursement of corrective action costs submitted to the Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund (Fund) more than 365 days after the date of this letter or issuance or activation of the Fund's Letter of Commitment, whichever occurs later, will not be reimbursed unless one of the following exceptions applies:

- Claims are submitted pursuant to section 25299.57, subdivision (k) (reopened UST case); or
- Submission within the timeframe was beyond the claimant's reasonable control, ongoing work is required for closure that will result in the submission of claims beyond that time period, or that under the circumstances of the case, it would be unreasonable or inequitable to impose the 365-day time period.

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This notice is issued pursuant to Health and Safety Code, section 25296.10, subdivision (g). If you have questions regarding this letter, please contact Central Coast Water Board staff **Wei Liu** at (805) 542-4648 or Wei.Liu@waterboards.ca.gov or Jennifer Epp at (805) 594-6181.

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