

October 17, 2014

State Water Resources Control Board
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Submitted via email "jbashaw@waterboards.ca.gov"

Greetings:

Re: Water Quality Petition
Request for Closure
8225-8229 Topanga Canyon Blvd,
Canoga Park, CA 91304
SCP/SLIC #1091
ID #204B052
Geotracker ID #SLT43722720
CUF Claim #17757

This letter and attachments are submitted as a Water Quality Petition in support of a Request for Closure (RFC) dated July 23, 2014 (see attached email dated July 23, 2014) concerning 8225-8229 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Canoga Park, CA 91304. Consistent with your Water Quality Petition guidance document, the following information is submitted:

- 1. The petitioner is Eric Schneider, on behalf of Auburndale Properties, Inc. (Auburndale) and/or Sterik Canoga LP. Mr. Schneider's contact information is 4510 East Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 575, Long Beach, CA 90804. The office telephone number is (562) 597-0531. The email address is "eric@aubproperties.com".
- 2. This petition is submitted in response to inaction by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) failing to award regulatory closure at the referenced Canoga Park property. More specifically, on August 3, 2011 the RWQCB approved implementation of a Final Remedial Action Work Plan (see attached correspondence from that date). Removal of residual PCE contaminated soil was completed in November, 2011 as proposed, including a Final Health Risk Assessment for all contaminants of concern. A Final Soil Remediation Report, Site Conceptual Model, and Regulatory Closure Report by PIC Environmental Services (PIC), that recommended regulatory closure of the site, was submitted to the RWQCB on March 28, 2012. Copies of all relevant reports are available on the Geotracker database. Over the course of the ensuing two and one quarter years, Auburndale and PIC have regularly asked the RWQCB to respond to the March 28, 2012 submissions and issue a No Further Action letter (NFA). Despite all of these requests, and for no apparent reason, the RWQCB has consistently failed to review and/or respond to the March 28, 2012 Closure Report, and Sterik and Auburndale no longer have any reason to believe that the RWQCB will ever take action on the NFA Request.

In attached correspondence dated July 22, 2014. Auburndale requested assistance from the State Water Resources Control Board in Sacramento. By email, Mr. George Lockwood was kind enough to submit a Request for Closure (RFC) to the RWQCB on July 23, 2014 (see attached email documentation). No response to the RFC has been received since July 23, 2014. Consistent with Mr. Lockwood's advice, this Water Quality Petition is submitted after the mandatory 60 days RWQCB response period.

- 3. The date the Regional Board was requested to act was July 23, 2014.
- 4. The reasons the inaction (lack of case closure) is inappropriate include a) failure to review and/or respond to the March 28, 2012 Final Report, and b) failure to award regulatory closure in response to successful completion of all closure requirements outlined in RWQCB correspondence dated August 3, 2011.
- 5. The petitioner is aggrieved due to the inability to refinance and/or sell the subject property until regulatory closure is achieved.
- 6. The petitioner requests the State Water Resources Control Board award regulatory closure for the Canoga Park property subject only to completion of proper abandonment of all existing monitoring wells.
- 7. The petitioner has attached all relevant documents except the March 28, 2012 Final Report which is available for review on the Geotracker database.
- 8. A copy of this petition will be submitted to the Los Angeles Regional Water Board via email concurrently with submission to the State Water Resources Control Board.
- 9. The petitioner has attached documentation that all relevant issues in the petition were presented to the Regional Water Board repeatedly and appropriately, yet the Regional Board failed to act.

Thank you for prompt consideration and review of this Water Quality Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Schneider

Director of Real Estate

Attachments

XC: George Lockwood Curt Charmley Jeffrey Hu

PIC Environmental Services



July 22, 2014

Mr. George Lockwood Mr. Kevin Graves State Water Resources Control Board Via email "george.lockwood@waterboards.ca.gov" Via email "kgraves@waterboards.ca.gov"

Mr. Curt Charmley Mr. Jeffrey Hu Regional Water Quality Control Board Via email "ccharmley@waterboards.ca.gov" Via email "ghu@ waterboards.ca.gov"

Re: Prop. Address: 8225-8229 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Canoga Park, CA 91304

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To All:

This letter is submitted to formally request transfer of regulatory oversight from the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board ("RWQCB") to the State Water Resources Control Board ("SWRCB").

Auburndale Properties, Inc. ("Auburndale") has managed the subject property on behalf of Sterik Canoga, LP (the property owner, and hereinafter, "Sterik") since well prior to 1999. Because of multiple historic contamination concerns, including both dry cleaning solvent ("PCE") and petroleum hydrocarbons released from USTs, the property was assigned to the Site Cleanup Unit (formerly the "SLIC Unit") for regulatory oversight. An approved reimbursement claim submitted to the State Clean-Up Fund also exists concerning historic petroleum hydrocarbon contamination. Since 1999, Auburndale has conducted numerous site assessment and remedial actions and has promptly complied with and paid for regulatory requests for remedial actions, including the payment of oversight fees.

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Auburndale and Sterik believe that there is no reason to continue to tolerate the callous, dysfunctional "services" offered by the RWQCB, and therefore, transfer of jurisdiction regarding this matter, from the RWQCB to the SWRCB, is requested. These entities are prepared to pursue legal options, among other things, if the SWRCB fails to offer assistance and the RWQCB continues to ignore our request for the issuance of the NFA letter. Please acknowledge receipt and approval of this request.

Your prompt response is expected and appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Schneider Director of Real Estate

ES/bm Attachments-as noted cc: PIC Environmental Services

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Subject: 8225-8229 Topanga Canyon Bovd., Canoga Park

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Please advise if you need additional information.

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2619 Sierra Way
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Subject: GOLDEN CLEANERS (SLT43722720), 8225 TOPANGA CANYON BLVD, CANOGA PARK,

LOS ANGELES COUNTY - RFC

Attachments: E3223 Closure Letter.pdf; E3223 Water Board Letter 8 3 2011.pdf; E3223 Final Closure

Report.pdf

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I hope this helps you resolve your issues. If you have questions please call Steven McMasters at 916.341.5518 or email McMasters, Steven@Waterboards <u>Steven.McMasters@waterboards.ca.gov</u>

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Subject: RE: GOLDEN CLEANERS (SLT43722720), 8225 TOPANGA CANYON BLVD, CANOGA

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PARK, LOS ANGELES COUNTY - RFC

Will do Thank you Tim

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Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2014 2:24 PM

To: PIC

Subject: RE: GOLDEN CLEANERS (SLT43722720), 8225 TOPANGA CANYON BLVD, CANOGA PARK, LOS ANGELES

COUNTY - RFC

Tim, if RFC is denied or 30-days and no response, please submit your petition early. Legal is not forgiving on the time limit

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COUNTY - RFC

Mr. Lockwood

Thank you so much for such a timely response and also for helpful guidance on how to proceed. I am sure that Auburndale Properties looks forward to case closure by 8/22/14, but will follow up with a petition, if needed.

Best regards Tim Hersch

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Saturday, August 23, 2014 5:49 AM

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Cc:

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PIC

'Eric Schneider'

RE: GOLDEN CLEANERS (SLT43722720), 8225 TOPANGA CANYON BLVD, CANOGA

PARK, LOS ANGELES COUNTY - RFC

Tim

I believe your petition to be a "Water Quality Petition." Below are the petitions instructions and page link:

Instructions:

"What are the deadlines for filing a petition?

Petitions must be **received** by the State Water Board within 30 days of the action or failure to act. An action occurs when a Regional Water Board votes for the action or, in the case of actions by the Executive Officer, when the Executive Officer mails or serves a copy of the action. For petitions for review of a failure to act, the 30-day period commences when the Regional Water Board refuses to act, or 60 days after the request was made, whichever occurs sooner. If the 30th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday, the petition is due the following business day."

Page Link:

http://waterboards.ca.gov/public notices/petitions/water quality/wgpetition instr.shtml

I may have mislead you on the failure to act part of the filing a "Water Quality Petition." The Regional Water Board has 60-days to respond, no response after that you may file a "Water Quality Petition."

8/22/14

George

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Cc: 'Eric Schneider'

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COUNTY - RFC

George

Please see your email of July 23 below. We have not received any communication from the local Water Board concerning the Canoga Park site.

Aubundale/Sterik intends to submit a petition as recommended by you.

Please advise if there are forms or protocols to prepare the petition.

Thank you much.

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August 3, 2011

Mr. Eric Schneider c/o Auburndale Properties 5670 Wilshire Blvd. Ste. #1470 Los Angeles, CA 90036

SUBJECT: APPROVAL - INTERIM REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN

CASE/FILE: GOLDEN CLEANERS, 88225-8229 TOPANGA CANYON BOULEVARD,

CANOGA PARK, CALIFORNIA, 91304 (WIP FILE NO. 1091; SITE ID NO.

2040052

Dear Mr. Schneider:

The Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) staff have reviewed the Remedial Action Plan (RAP) dated April 28, 20119, that was submitted by your consultant, PIC Environmental Services (PIC). Your RAP was submitted to the Regional Board following our correspondence sent to you entitled "Confirmation Site Assessment Report Review Status" dated January 26, 2011 (Attached). A subsequent meeting was held at the Regional Board with you to discuss anticipated interim source removal efforts for the property (Site). As discussed in our meeting, we understand that the proposed work will be implemented through the self-directed process with guidance and oversight provided by the Regional Board staff.

BACKGROUND

The Golden Cleaners facility is located within a commercial retail shopping center. The building that contains the Golden Cleaners facility was reportedly constructed between from 1987 to 1988. During site investigations, it was discovered that a retail gasoline station operated on this property until 1986.

The subject site was used by dry cleaning tenants between 1994 and 1999. Dry cleaning operations were terminated onsite and dry cleaning equipment/solvents were removed from the property in response to the initial discovery of tetrachloroethylene (PCE) contaminated soil in 1999. The property remains occupied as a commercial laundry. Dry cleaning operations resumed onsite in late 2005 using a non-chlorinated solvent. The laundry facility abuts other commercial tenants, including a donut shop to the north and a nail salon to the east (Figure 2. Site Sketch Map). A series of soil investigations were conducted at the Site beginning in 1999. Cleanup efforts have been conducted onsite to remediate PCE release(s) to the soil and groundwater beneath the Site to the extent that nine groundwater monitoring wells were installed.

California Environmental Protection Agency

Mr. Eric Schneider Auburndale Properties WIP File No. 1091

A review of the investigative data in the "Confirmation Site Assessment Report dated July 8, 2010" indicated that additional cleanup efforts are necessary to further meet Regional Board's cleanup goals for a an environmental Site closure.

As part of the Regional Board's closure consideration process, a human health risk assessment (HHRA) was developed for the Site by Environmental Health Decisions "Human Health Risk Assessment, Property at Golden Cleaners and Former Gasoline Station, 8825 and 8229 Topanga Canyon Boulevard, Topanga Canyon". The conclusion of your HHRA indicates that the potential cancer risks for the industrial and commercial workers are within a range that is typically considered acceptable for occupational exposure for the proposed land use. Regional Board staff note that shallow PCE soil contamination is present at levels up to 39,000 parts per billion (ppb) in the soil sample collected from SG 24 at 5 feet below ground surface (bgs). These concentrations PCE soil contamination continues to pose a threat to the underlying groundwater quality beneath the Site and thus warrants further cleanup efforts.

PROPOSED SCOPE OF WORK

Your RAP proposes the following tasks:

- Obtain all necessary permits and conduct underground clearance utility service alert notification.
 Prepare a site specific Health and Safety Plan that includes vapor monitoring using a photionization detector (PID);
- Remove and dispose of concrete above impacted soil (see proposed excavation area on Figure 2D):
- Excavate PCE contaminated soil in the area of soil boring location SG-24 to an approximate total depth of seven feet. Place contaminated soil in enclosed roll-off bins for subsequent offsite treatment and disposal:
- Collect a minimum of five confirmation soil samples from the bottom and walls of the excavated
 area to verify successful removal of all significantly PCE contaminated soil. Soil samples will be
 collected using an excavator bucket then contained within encore sleeves and submitted to a
 laboratory for analysis. The soil samples will be analyzed for volatiles organic compounds
 (VOCs) using USEPA Method 8260B;
- Upon the removal of the PCE contaminated soil, the soil will be transported soil to an offsite facility (e.g. US Ecology) to treat PCE impacted soil. Hazardous waste manifests will document transportation and disposal quantities and protocols;
- Submission of a Remedial Action Completion Report that documents procedures and results of
 proposed actions as well as supervision of proposed actions by a state licensed professional
 geologist or professional civil engineer; and
- A Site Conceptual Model should be submitted as previously requested by the Regional Board in support of a regulatory closure consideration for the Site.

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RAP APPROVAL AND GUIDELINES

Based upon Regional Board file information and the proposed work plan, your RAP is approved with the following comments and additions.

- Soil Sample Collection A representative number of soil samples should be collected to support
 the effectiveness of the removal effort, including but not limited to samples with elevated
 photoionization detector (PID) readings and at soil intervals where fine grained soil transitions
 are observed. The soil samples selected for analysis shall be analyzed for VOCs using United
 States Protection Agency (USEPA) Method 8260B. The soil samples selected for analysis shall be
 prepared using USEPA Method 5035.
- Soil Vapor Sampling Applicable soil vapor sample collection and analysis should be conducted
 in accordance with the Advisory for Active Soil Gas Investigations, January 28, 2003. A copy of
 this document is provided in the following URL website.

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/ust/guidelines/03_0210_schools_advisory_active_soil_gas_investigations.pdf

Applicable soil vapor sample collection and analysis for those soil vapor samples collected at or less than 3 meters bgs shall follow sample collection and analysis protocols in accordance with the "Interim Final Guidance for the Evaluation and Mitigation of Subsurface Vapor Intrusion to Indoor Air, dated December 15, 2004, Department of Toxic Substances Control California Environmental Protection Agency. A copy of this document is provided in the following URL website.

http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/assessingrisk/upload/herd_pol_eval_subsurface_vapor_intrusion_interim_final.pdf

3. <u>Investigation Report</u> - You should prepare and submit an Investigation Report (Investigation Report) to document and summarize the field activities and findings of the completed work. The investigation Report summarizing the field work shall be developed following the Regional Board's "Guidelines for Report Submittals" (March 1991, Revised June 1993) and shall be submitted as a hardcopy and electronic Adobe® "pdf" format. A total of one (1) hardcopy and one (1) electronic copy of each final report shall be submitted. Additionally, laboratory Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) data should be included with each final report. A copy of the guidelines can be found at the following URL:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water_issues/programs/ust/guidelines/la_county_guidelines 93.pdf

4. The investigation should be conducted in accordance with the "Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for the San Fernando Valley/San Gabriel Valley Cleanup Program" guidance document, located at the following URL Website:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/water issues/programs/remediation/

California Environmental Protection Agency

- 5. Further evaluation regarding the VOCs present in the soil column i.e. from 25 feet bgs to 45 feet bgs at soil boring location SG 34 (located near the northern Former Dispenser area) and near soil boring SG-37 (near the southern UST area by groundwater monitoring well MW-3) should be considered for closure considerations.
- 6. It should be further noted that recent laboratory results detected benzene at 91 micrograms per liter (μg/L) in the groundwater sample collected from MW-3 in January 18, 2011. The State of California's maximum contaminant level (MCL) for benzene in groundwater is 1 (μg/L.

Please inform the Regional Board staff at least five working days prior to the commencement of the work in order that we may have a representative present. Regional Board staff recommends that two copies of the investigative report be submitted to this Regional Board approximately three weeks prior to completion of the field work.

If you have any questions, please contact me via telephone at (213) 576-6774, or by electronic mail at <u>ccharmley@waterboards.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Attachments:

Curt M. Charmley, PG Engineering Geologist

Regional Board Letter dated January 26, 2011

Figure 2. Site Sketch Map

cc: Mr. Tim Hersch, PIC Environmental



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SOIL REMEDIATION REPORT, SITE CONCEPTUAL MODEL, AND REGULATORY CLOSURE REPORT

PREPARED FOR

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