

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION**

**CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER NO. 87-05
AGAINST
GENE HEIMARK, HEIMARK DISTRIBUTING COMPANY, OWNER
OF VALLEY FEEDS
Indio, Riverside County**

The Executive Officer of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Colorado River Basin Region, finds that:

1. Gene Heimark (hereinafter referred to as the discharger), 82-851 Avenue 45, Indio, California 92201, is the owner of Valley Feeds located at 83-680 Indio Boulevard, Indio, California 92201.
2. The Regional Board received an Underground Storage Tank Unauthorized Release Report dated July 31, 1986, indicating that an underground storage tank had been excavated and removed from said property and that gasoline had leaked from the tank and contaminated the soil.
3. Regional Board staff inspected the site on July 31, 1986, and confirmed that the tank had leaked and contaminated the soil in the vicinity of the tank.
4. The Regional Board staff determined that there was a threat to the quality of ground water. Accordingly, by letter dated August 7, 1986, the discharger was requested to conduct a subsurface investigation of the contamination and submit a technical report of the results.
5. On October 21, 1986, the Regional Board received a preliminary report prepared by Pioneer Consultants (technical consultants for the discharger) regarding the subsurface investigation. The report indicates that the ground water is contaminated with gasoline, and has thus created a condition of pollution.
6. The Regional Board staff determined that the concentration of benzene is above acceptable levels. Consequently by letter dated December 1, 1986, the discharger was requested to complete the investigation and submit the results to the Regional Board.
7. On January 20, 1987, the Regional Board received a final report prepared by Pioneer Consultants which indicated that the gasoline contamination in the ground water is significant thus warranting the issuance of a Cleanup and Abatement Order.
8. Contamination of the ground water with gasoline will significantly impair the beneficial uses of the ground water.

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Rescinded

9. The discharger has caused or permitted the discharge of waste into the waters of the State and created a condition of pollution.
10. The Water Quality Control Plan for the Colorado River Basin Region identifies the beneficial uses of the ground water in the Coachella Hydrologic Subunit as:
 - a. Municipal
 - b. Industrial
 - c. Agricultural
11. This enforcement action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Sections 15308 and 15321, Chapter 3, Title 14 of the California Administrative Code.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that pursuant to Section 13304 of Division 7 of the California Water Code, the discharger shall comply with the following:

1. Cleanup or abate the effects of the gasoline contamination in the ground water at Valley Feed.
2. By May 29, 1987 submit to the Regional Board the complete subsurface investigation which requires a determination of the lateral and vertical extent of the contamination as requested in the Regional Board letter to the discharger dated August 7, 1986.
3. Submit to the Regional Board a cleanup proposal, within two weeks of submittal of the complete subsurface investigation report, for recovery of the free product in the ground and extraction of the contaminated ground water.
4. Submit a report of waste discharge with the appropriate filling fee for discharge of any water, from the cleanup operation, to the surface or ground waters.

ORDERED BY:

Arthur Levajian
Executive Officer

March 23, 1987
Date

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION

MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. 87-005

FOR
GENE HEIMARK, HEIMARK DISTRIBUTING COMPANY
OWNER OF VALLEY FEED

Location of discharge : Indio - Riverside County

MONITORING

The discharger shall report to the Regional Board concerning the following:

1. Extracted ground water shall be monitored for benzene, toluene, xylene(s), and ethylbenzene by EPA Method 602 prior to any treatment, weekly for the first month, and monthly thereafter.
2. Clarifier effluent shall be measured for flow, total petroleum hydrocarbons, and benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes as follows:
 - A. Every hour for an 8 hour duration after startup.
 - B. Once after 8 hours.
 - C. Once per week for the first two weeks.
 - D. Once per month for the first six month thereafter.
 - E. Quarterly, unless otherwise recommended by consultant.

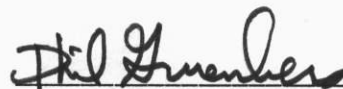
REPORTING

1. Quarterly monitoring reports shall be submitted to the Regional Board by the 15th day of the succeeding month for the first six months. Thereafter, the monitoring data shall be submitted quarterly by January 15th, April 15th, July 15th, and October 15th.

Submit Monitoring Reports to:

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Colorado River Basin Region
73-271 Highway 111, Suite 21
Palm Desert, CA 92260

ORDERED BY:



PHIL GRUENBERG
Executive Officer

12-13-89
(Date)