

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

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

**PROPOSED UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE
PURSUANT TO THE LOW-THREAT CLOSURE POLICY
FOR
FORMER 8TH STREET GAS AND MINIMART SITE
803 EAST HOBSON WAY, BLYTHE, CA 92225
RIVERSIDE COUNTY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Regional Water Quality Control Board – Colorado River Basin Region (Colorado River Basin Water Board) will accept written comments on the proposed underground storage tank (UST) case closure for Former 8TH Street Gas And Minimart, Regional Board (RB) Case No. 7T2 225 156, 803 East Hobson Way Blythe, Riverside County. This UST site is being proposed for case closure pursuant to the State Water Resource Control Board’s “Water Quality Control Policy for Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure (LTCP),” which became effective on August 17, 2012 (Policy). In adopting this Policy, the State Water Board determined that certain UST cases are appropriate for closure if they pose a low threat to human health, safety, and the environment. Low threat may be demonstrated under the Policy by showing that the UST cases meet the general and media-specific criteria established in the Policy, the case closure requirements satisfy Health and Safety Code Section 25296.10, and case closure is consistent with State Water Board Resolution 92-49’s requirement that cleanup goals and objectives be met within a reasonable time frame.

Enclosed is a LTCP checklist prepared by the Colorado River Basin Water Board for the above-entitled matter. Pursuant to the Policy, the Colorado River Basin Water Board will be providing notice about this proposed case closure and the draft Policy review summary to municipal and county water districts, water replenishment districts, special act districts with groundwater management authority, agencies with authority to issue building permits for land affected by the petroleum release, owners and occupants of the property impacted by the petroleum release, and the owners and occupants of all parcels adjacent to the impacted property, as applicable. This Notice and the Policy review summary will also be posted on the Colorado River Basin Water Board’s Public Notice web site. The relevant information for the subject case is also available on GeoTracker at:

http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0606500894

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

In accordance with the Policy, the Colorado River Basin Water Board shall accept written comments about the proposed case closure during a sixty (60) day public comment period, which begins October 14, 2016 and ends December 13, 2016. Persons wishing to submit written comments on the proposed cases closure are requested to do so by December 13, 2016, so that they may be given sufficient consideration.

Comments should be mailed to the attention of Kola Olatunbosun, Water Resources Control Engineer, at the address shown below or faxed to the office at (760) 341-6820. Please provide the following information in the subject line: "Comment Letter – Former 8th Street Gas and Minimart, 7T2 225 156 UST Case Closure Summary."

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Please direct any questions you may have about this Notice to Kola Olatunbosun at (760) 776-8958 or (kolatunbosun@waterboards.ca.gov).

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RIVERSIDE COUNTY[ACTIVITIES REPORT](#)[PUBLIC WEBPAGE](#)[VIEW PRINTABLE CASE SUMMARY FOR THIS SITE](#)**CLEANUP OVERSIGHT AGENCIES**

COLORADO RIVER BASIN RWQCB (REGION 7) (LEAD) - CASE #: 7T2226166

CASEWORKER: [KOLA OLATUNBOSUN](#) - SUPERVISOR: JOHN CARMONA

CUF Claim #: 14883 CUF Priority Assigned: B CUF Amount Paid: \$829,647

THIS PROJECT WAS LAST MODIFIED BY [KOLA OLATUNBOSUN](#) ON 10/7/2016 10:06:06 AM - [HISTORY](#)THIS SITE HAS SUBMITTALS. CLICK [HERE](#) TO OPEN A NEW WINDOW WITH THE SUBMITTAL APPROVAL PAGE FOR THIS SITE.**CLOSURE POLICY**

THIS VERSION IS IN PROGRESS AS OF 10/6/2016

CHECKLIST INITIATED ON 10/23/2012

[CLOSURE POLICY HISTORY](#)**General Criteria - The site satisfies the policy general criteria - [CLEAR SECTION ANSWERS](#)**

YES

a. Is the unauthorized release located within the service area of a public water system?

Name of Water System :

City of Blythe

 YES NOb. The unauthorized release consists only of petroleum ([info](#)). YES NO

c. The unauthorized ("primary") release from the UST system has been stopped.

 YES NOd. Free product has been removed to the maximum extent practicable ([info](#)). FP Not Encountered YES NOe. A conceptual site model that assesses the nature, extent, and mobility of the release has been developed ([info](#)). YES NOf. Secondary source has been removed to the extent practicable ([info](#)). YES NO

g. Soil or groundwater has been tested for MTBE and results reported in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 25296.15.

 Not Required YES NOh. Does a nuisance exist, as defined by [Water Code section 13050](#). YES NO**1. Media-Specific Criteria: Groundwater - The contaminant plume that exceeds water quality objectives is stable or decreasing in areal extent, and meets all of the additional characteristics of one of the five classes of sites listed below. - [CLEAR SECTION ANSWERS](#)****EXEMPTION - Soil Only Case (Release has not Affected Groundwater - [Info](#))** YES NO**2. Media Specific Criteria: Petroleum Vapor Intrusion to Indoor Air - The site is considered low-threat for the vapor-intrusion-to-air pathway if site-specific conditions satisfy items 2a, 2b, or 2c - [CLEAR SECTION ANSWERS](#)**

YES

Does the site meet any of the Petroleum Vapor Intrusion to Indoor Air specific criteria scenarios?

 YES NO2a - Scenario 3 ([example](#)): Dissolved Phase Benzene Concentrations Only in Groundwater (Low concentration groundwater scenarios with or without O2 measurements must satisfy one i, ii, or iii):

YES

i. For bioattenuation zone without oxygen measurements or oxygen <4% and benzene concentration are <100 µg/L, the bioattenuation zone: Is a continuous zone that provides a separation of at least 5 feet vertically between the dissolved phase benzene and the foundation of existing or potential building; and contain total TPH <100 mg/kg throughout the entire depth of the bioattenuation zone.

 YES NO

ii. For bioattenuation zone without oxygen measurements or oxygen <4% and benzene concentration are >100 µg/L but <1,000 µg/L, the bioattenuation zone: Is a continuous zone that provides a separation of at least 10 feet vertically between the dissolved phase benzene and the foundation of existing or potential building, and contain total TPH <100 mg/kg throughout the entire depth of the bioattenuation zone.

 YES NO

iii. For bioattenuation zone with oxygen ≥ 4% and benzene concentration are <1,000 µg/L, the bioattenuation zone: Is a continuous zone that provides a separation of at least 5 feet vertically between the dissolved phase benzene and the foundation of existing or potential building, and contain total TPH <100 mg/kg throughout the entire depth of the bioattenuation zone.

 YES NO**3. Media Specific Criteria: Direct Contact and Outdoor Air Exposure - The site is considered low-threat for direct contact and outdoor air exposure if it meets 1, 2, or 3 below. - [CLEAR SECTION ANSWERS](#)**

YES

EXEMPTION - The upper 10 feet of soil is free of petroleum contamination YES NO

Does the site meet any of the Direct Contact and Outdoor Air Exposure criteria scenarios?

 YES NO

3(b) - A site specific risk assessment demonstrates the maximum concentrations of petroleum constituents in soil will have no significant risk of adversely affecting human health (i.e., "passes")

 YES NO