



State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)
Attention: Ms. Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
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June 9, 2017
Sent Via Email

RE: Comment Letter-Proposed Aqua Science Engineers, Inc.

The purpose of this letter is to provide comments for the Notice of Opportunity to Comment posted on your website on May 16, 2017 regarding the *Proposed Order for Settlement Agreement and Stipulation for Entry of Administrative Civil Liberty Order, Aqua Science Engineers, Inc.* (Order). We understand that the Order is for the Underground Storage Tank (UST) remediation work performed by Aqua Science Engineers, Inc. (ASE) and their submittal for reimbursement payment to the State.

ASE performed that type of work for CR&R, Inc. to remediate the soil and ground water at our facility located at 11292 Western Avenue, Stanton California 90680 (Site). The work performed by ASE was overseen by the local agency in charge, OC Health Care Agency (OC) who provided review and approvals of the work during the remediation process. OC eventually granted closure for the site certifying that the remediation is completed. CR&R submitted a Reimbursement Request (RR) to the State in January 2016 and is taking the lead in the process of obtaining the reimbursement for the UST remediation work performed at the Site.

CR&R paid all of the invoices from ASE in full for the UST remediation work at the Site. Copies of all the invoices for the UST remediation at the Site have been provided to the State as part of the RR submittal. We were not aware of any of the reimbursement issues/problems outlined in the Order until we read them on your website this week. CR&R maintains that we are not involved in those issues and have no knowledge of how ASE represented the work to the State. CR&R paid for all of the invoices associated with the work at our Site in full confidence that the RR is accurate and complete. We hope to successfully complete the RR process and receive the payment of our invoices. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at johnm2@crrmail.com or at (714) 372-8281 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

CR&R Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "JRM".

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