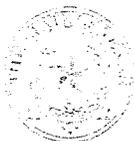


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April 18, 1990

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Jose L. Flores
Laredo International Airport
518 Flightline, Building 132
Laredo, Texas 78041

Re: Subsurface Release of Jet A Fuel or Aviation Gasoline at the
Laredo International Airport, 518 Flightline, Building No. 132,
Laredo (Webb County), Texas
(LUST ID No. 95021)

Dear Mr. Flores:

This Office has been made aware of the above-referenced incident through information you provided to Mr. Jeff Lewellin of our District 11 Field Office in Weslaco on March 12, 1990. The Texas Water Commission (TWC) is responsible for protecting state waters as well as public health and safety from impacts that may result when a release occurs from an underground storage tank system. Title 31, Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Section 334.71-334.85 requires the owner or operator of an underground storage tank system to immediately abate any releases of a regulated substance and remove the resulting contamination.

In order to determine the degree of remediation necessary to address this incident, you are requested to perform a contamination assessment study and provide your findings in a detailed report to this Office. This report must include the following information:

- 1) A description of the release including the cause, the volume lost, and all measures taken to abate and contain it.
- 2) A determination of the vertical and horizontal extent of subsurface contamination and an account of the procedures utilized to support this determination. The term "subsurface contamination" includes not only the presence of free product, but also any dissolved-product contamination of groundwater and residual contamination of soils.

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- 3) A site characterization which provides a description of the local soil, geology, and groundwater conditions. If any groundwater is threatened or has already been impacted, you must also provide background water quality information, a water-table gradient map, and a water well inventory. This inventory must locate, on a current U.S.G.S. topographic map, all water wells within a one-half mile radius of the site and provide all available information pertaining to each well. It is also necessary that you provide copies of all State of Texas Water Well Reports (Form No. WWD-012) for any installed monitor wells as is required under the Texas Water Well Drillers Act.
- 4) A site map drawn to scale indicating the location of the entire underground storage tank system and all nearby buried utilities, structures, and roads. This map should also provide the location of any excavated areas and the collection points for all soil and water samples.
- 5) Laboratory reports providing the results of all sample analyses and a description of sample collection and analytical procedures. Only EPA-approved methods will be accepted for the collection and analysis of samples utilized to determine waste classifications and final cleanup levels.
- 6) An account of the disposition of contaminated soils and water, recovered product, or any associated wastes. If wastes are transported off-site for disposal or recycling, copies of signed receipts from the receiving facility as well as any requested uniform hazardous waste manifests must be included.
- 7) A city or county map depicting the facility's location and photographs documenting observable impacts, excavations, stockpiled soils, and any on-site treatment activities.
- 8) Finally, based upon the results of the assessment, a proposal for the completion of site remediation.

If any evidence exists indicating the presence of free product accumulation in any monitor wells, the tankhold, piping trenches, etc., immediate removal measures must be implemented. Daily observations should be made and appropriate action pursued to ensure that all free product is continuously removed.

Also be advised that TWC approval must be granted before you may initiate any on-site treatment to reduce contaminant levels of affected soils and/or water. Additionally, all vapor emissions that might be associated with this release or your response activities must be controlled and monitored to protect human health and safety.

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Please note that you are required to notify Mr. Lewellin at 512/968-3165 at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of conducting any significant on-site investigation or remedial activities including the installation of soil borings and/or monitor wells and excavation work.

We request that the completed site assessment study and remediation proposal be provided to this Office no later than forty-five (45) days from the date of this letter. A copy of your response or any other correspondence with this Office must be provided to Mr. Lewellin.

If you have any questions or require guidance regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Anne S. Miller of my staff at 512/371-6241. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Chris Chandler

for Dan Airey
Responsible Party Remediation Section
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cc: Jeff Lewellin, TWC District 11 Field Office
(813 E. Pike Blvd., Weslaco, Texas 78596-4935)

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