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Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board State Water Resources Control Board P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 1001 I Street, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor Sacramento, California, 95814

Via Email (commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov)

RE: Comment Letter -Proposed Order SOMA Environmental Engineering, Inc.

I am the claimant for a property located at 15101 Freedom Avenue in San Leandro, California. This property is currently being cleaned up by SOMA Environmental Engineering, Inc. (SOMA), while the cleanup costs are being reimbursed by the UST Fund under claim number 16793.

I am writing this comment letter to express my dissatisfaction for penalizing SOMA for the baseless allegations that appears at the RWQCB website. During the last several years, SOMA has been very active, honest and serious in cleaning up our property and we are about to receive regulatory closure status from the Alameda County Environmental Health. However, due to Enforcement Department unjustified action, the remediation of my property has been stopped and I have not been able to receive closure from the County.

For the following reasons we request State Water Resources Control Board allow SOMA to conclude our site remediation at this time:

- We almost ready to receive closure letter from the County and at this
  point we do not feel to hire another firm to assist us, since SOMA is
  very familiar with our site and it would cost more if we hire a new
  consultant firm:
- 2. Today, over 1,415,000 has been spent at this site and with the remaining available fund, no consultant firm is willing to take this project. SOMA has moral and contractual obligation to remediate

this property using the available funding upon State Water Resources Control Board approval;

For the above reasons, we request to allow SOMA to conclude the remediation of our site so we can receive site closure from the Alameda County.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail, if you have any question or comments.

Sincerely,

Farokh Hosseinyoun, Claimant