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GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR GROUNDWATER CLEANUP AT PETROLEUM HYDROCARBON FUEL, VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND AND/OR HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM IMPACTED SITES FORMER MOBIL #18-GHD 13440 E. FIRESTONE BLVD., SANTA FE SPRINGS (ORDER NO. R4-2007-0019, SERIES NO. 089; CI NO. 9478)

Dear Ms. Anderson:

We have completed our review of your application for coverage under the General Waste Discharge Requirements to inject modified fenton's reagent at the site referenced above in Santa Fe Springs, California, for groundwater cleanup and remediation.

The site is currently a vacant lot, which was formerly a Mobil station and is situated at the northeast corner of the intersection of East Firestone Boulevard and Carmenita Road, California (Site) (Latitude: N 33.88°, Longitude: W 118.03°). The site formerly maintained one 12,000-gallon underground storage tank (UST) and two 10,000-gallon-capacity gasoline USTs, and one 280-gallon used oil UST.

Several site assessments have been conducted at the Site since January 1988. Site investigations found soil and groundwater contaminations beneath the Site. A quarterly groundwater monitoring program was initiated in 1992. The most recent monitoring data in July 2008 showed the maximum total petroleum hydrocarbon as gasoline (TPH_G) concentration at 19,000 μ g/L, benzene concentration at 1,900 μ g/L, toluene concentration at 1,400 μ g/L, ethylbenzene concentration at 460 μ g/L, xylenes concentration at 1,000 μ g/L, methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) concentration at 990 μ g/L, and tertiary butyl alcohol (TBA) concentration at 5,200 μ g/L (See Kleinfelder plates 2-groundwater map and 3, 4, & 5-plume maps).

A total of 850 cubic yards of hydrocarbon-laden soil were removed in 1998. SVE in combination with air sparge pilot testing done in 2003 for two days yielded a removal rate of 183 pounds per day; SVE operated from 2000 to 2006 and removed an estimated 103,328 pounds of petroleum hydrocarbons from the subsurface.

Kleinfelder prepared an "Addendum to Proposed In-Situ Chemical Oxidation injection Work" dated May 8, 2008, for the subject site. It includes the injection of a modified Fenton's reagent at 42 locations into saturated zone by direct push (See Kleinfelder plate 1). The Workplan was approved by the Regional Board on June 12, 2008.

The groundwater monitoring program CI-9478 must be performed for up-gradient groundwater monitoring well RMC-2, source well MW-6, cross-gradient wells RMC-3 and RMC-5, and downgradient well RMC-4 (Kleinfelder plate 1) to assess the groundwater contamination plume and the effectiveness of the treatment. Each of these wells will be monitored prior to the initiation of the remediation activities and periodically during completion of the injection activities.

Regional Board staff has determined that the proposed discharge meets the conditions specified in Order No. R4-2007-0019, "Revised General Waste Discharge Requirements for Groundwater Remediation At Petroleum Hydrocarbon Fuel, Volatile Organic Compound and/or Hexavalent Chromium Impacted Sites (General WDRs)," adopted by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board on March 1, 2007.

Enclosed are your Waste Discharge Requirements, consisting of General WDRs Board Order No. 2007-0019 and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-9478 and Standard Provisions.

The WDRs issued shall not be rescinded until Regional Board staff determine the WDRs are nolonger needed for the subject site.

The Monitoring and Reporting Program requires you to implement the monitoring program on the effective date of this enrollment under Regional Board Order No. R4-2007-0019. All monitoring reports shall be sent to the Regional Board, <u>ATTN: Information Technology Unit.</u>

When submitting monitoring or technical reports to the Regional Board per these requirements, please include a reference to Compliance File No. CI-9478, which will assure that the reports are directed to the appropriate file and staff. Do not combine other reports with your monitoring reports. Submit each type of report as a separate document.

To avoid paying future annual fees, please submit written request for termination of your enrollment under the general permit in a separate letter, when your project has been completed and the permit is no longer needed. Be aware that the annual fee covers the fiscal year billing period beginning July 1 and ending June 30, the following year. You will pay the full annual fee if your request for termination is made after the beginning of the new fiscal year beginning July 1.

We are sending a copy of Order No. R4-2007-0019 only to the applicant. A copy of the Order will be furnished to anyone who requests it, or on line at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board decisions/adopted orders/general orders/r4-2007-0019/r4-2007-0019.pdf

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Rebecca Chou at (213) 620-6156 for administrative questions or Mr. Noman M. Chowdhury at (213) 576-6704 for technical questions.

Sincerely.

Tracy J. Egoscue Executive Officer

California Environmental Protection Agency

Enclosures: 1. Board Order No. R4-2007-0019

2. Monitoring and Reporting Program No. CI-9478

Cc (w/o): Ms. Yvonne Shanks, State Water Resources Control Board, Underground Storage

Tank Cleanup Fund

Ms. Nancy Matsumoto, Water Replenishment District of Southern California

Ms. Brenda Nelson, Santa Fe Springs Fire Department

Mr. Hiram Garcia, Kleinfelder, Inc.

Mr. Ronald Okuda, California Department of Transportation, Los Angeles

STATE OF CALIFORNIA CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD LOS ANGELES REGION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM NO. CI-9478 FOR

FORMER MOBIL #18-GHD 13440 E. FIRESTONE BLVD., SANTA FE SPRINGS (MODIFIED FENTON'S REAGENT INJECTION FOR GROUNDWATER CLEANUP) (ORDER NO. R4-2007-0019, SERIES NO. 089)

I. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

A. ExxonMobil Oil Company (hereinafter Discharger) shall implement this monitoring program on the effective date (December 19, 2008) of Regional Board Order No. R4-2007-0019. The first monitoring report under this program, for January-March 2009, shall be received at the Regional Board by **April 15, 2009**. Subsequent monitoring reports shall be received at the Regional Board according to the following schedule:

Reporting Period	Report Due
January – March	April 15
April – June	July 15
July – September	October 15
October – December	January 15

Monitoring reports must be addressed to the regional Board, Attention: <u>Information Technology Unit</u>.

- B. If there is no discharge or injection during any reporting period, the report shall so state.
- C. By January 30 of each year, beginning January 30, 2008, the Discharger shall submit an annual summary report to the Regional Board. The report shall contain both tabular and graphical summaries of the monitoring data obtained during the previous calendar year. In addition, the Discharger shall explain the compliance record and the corrective actions taken, or planned, which may be needed to bring the discharge into full compliance with the waste discharge requirements (WDRs).
- D. Laboratory analyses all chemical, bacteriological, and toxicity analyses shall be conducted at a laboratory certified for such analyses by the California Department of Health Services Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP). A copy of the laboratory certification shall be provided each time a new and/or renewal certification is obtained from ELAP.
- E. The method limits (MLs) employed for effluent analyses shall be lower than the permit limits established for a given parameter, unless the Discharger can demonstrate that a particular ML is not attainable and obtains approval for a higher ML from the Regional Board Executive Officer (Executive Officer). The Discharger shall submit a list of the analytical methods employed for each test and the associated laboratory quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) procedures upon request by the Regional Board.

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- F. Groundwater samples must be analyzed within allowable holding time limits as specified in 40 CFR Part 136. All QA/QC samples must be run on the same dates when samples were actually analyzed. The Discharger shall make available for inspection and/or submit the QA/QC documentation upon request by Regional Board staff.
- G. Each monitoring report must affirm in writing that "All analyses were conducted at a laboratory certified for such analyses by the California Department of Health Services, and in accordance with current United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) guideline procedures or as specified in this Monitoring Program." Proper chain of custody procedures must be followed and a copy of the completed chain of custody form shall be submitted with the report.
- H. Each monitoring report shall contain a separate section titled "Summary of Non-Compliance" which discusses the compliance record and the corrective actions taken or planned that may be needed to bring the discharge into full compliance with WDRs. This section shall be located at the front of the report and shall clearly list all non-compliance with WDRs, as well as all excursions of effluent limitations.
- The Discharger shall maintain all sampling and analytical results: date, exact place, and time of sampling; dates analyses were performed; analyst's name; analytical techniques used; and results of all analyses. Such records shall be retained for a minimum of three years. This period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding this discharge, or when requested by the Regional Board.
- J. If the Discharger performs analyses on any groundwater samples more frequently than required by this Order using approved analytical methods, the results of those analyses shall be included in the report.
- K. In reporting the monitoring data, the Discharger shall arrange the data in tabular form so that the date, the constituents, and the concentrations are readily discernible. The data shall be summarized to demonstrate compliance with the requirements and, where applicable, shall include results of receiving water observations.

II. MODIFIED FENTON'S REAGENT INJECTION MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

The quarterly reports shall contain the following information regarding modified fenton's reagent injection activities:

- 1. Location map showing injection points used for the modified fenton's reagent injection.
- 2. Written and tabular summary defining the quantity of modified fenton's reagent injected to the groundwater and a summary describing the days on which the injection system was in operation.

- 3. Monthly visual inspection at each injection point shall be conducted to evaluate the well casing integrity for a period of two months after each injection. The quarterly report shall include a summary of the visual inspection.
- 4. To avoid groundwater monitoring network reduction, data bias, and well screen clogging or alteration, no groundwater monitoring wells shall be used as injection points. Separate injection wells must be installed at the site for the injection.

III. GROUNDWATER MONITORING PROGRAM

A groundwater-monitoring program shall be designed to detect and evaluate impacts associated with the injection activities of modified fenton's reagent. Groundwater samples shall be collected from up-gradient groundwater monitoring well RMC-2, source well MW-6, cross-gradient wells RMC-3 and RMC-5, and down-gradient well RMC-4 to monitor the effectiveness of the in-situ groundwater remediation (refer to attached Kleinfelder plate 1). These sampling stations shall not be changed and any proposed change of monitoring locations shall be identified and approved by the Regional Board Executive Officer (Executive Officer) prior to their use. Groundwater shall be monitored for the duration of the remediation in accordance with the following discharge monitoring program:

CONSTITUENT	UNITS ¹	TYPE OF SAMPLE	MINIMUM FREQUENCY OF ANALYSIS
Total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline (TPHg) and as diesel (TPHd)	µg/L	Grab	Quarterly ²
Benzene, Toluëne, Ehylbenzene, Xylenes (BTEX)	μg/L	Grab	Quarterly ²
Methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE), Tertiary butyl alcohol (TBA), Tertiary amyl methyl ether (TAME), Di-isopropyl ether (DIPE), ethyl tertiary butyl ether (ETBE)	µg/L	Grab	Quarterly ²
Ethanol Formaldehyde Acetone	μg/L	Grab	Quarterly ²
Total dissolved solids Boron Chloride Bromide Lead	mg/L	Grab	Quarterly ²
Nickel	* '		

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CONSTITUENT	UNITS ¹	TYPE OF SAMPLE	MINIMUM FREQUENCY OF ANALYSIS	
Manganese Sulfate	* .			
Oxidation-reduction potential	milivolts		Quarterly ²	
Dissolved Oxygen	mg/L	Grab	Quarterly ²	
Dissolved ferrous iron	μg/L	Grab	·Quarterly ²	
Total Chromium and chromium six ³	µg/L	Grab	Quarterly ²	
PH	pH units	Grab	Quarterly ²	
Temperature	°F/°C	Grab	Quarterly ²	
Groundwater Elevation	Feet, mean sea level and below ground surface	In situ	Quarterly ²	

mg/L: milligrams per liter; μg/L: micrograms per liter; μmhos/cm: microohms per centimeter; °F: degree Fahrenheit.

All groundwater monitoring reports must include, at a minimum, the following:

- a. Well identification, date and time of sampling;
- b. Sampler identification, and laboratory identification;
- c. Quarterly observation of groundwater levels, recorded to 0.01 feet mean sea level and groundwater flow direction.

IV. MONITORING FREQUENCIES

Monitoring frequencies may be adjusted to a less frequent basis or parameters dropped by the Executive Officer if the Discharger makes a request and the Executive Officer determines that the request is adequately supported by statistical trends of monitoring data submitted.

One week before injection and Quarterly thereafter.

The Discharger is required to monitor for total chromium and chromium six in the baseline, second and fourth quarterly sampling. If detected at any of these sampling events, the total chromium and chromium six must be monitored quarterly thereafter.

V. CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

Each report shall contain the following declaration:

"I certify under penalty of law that this document, including all attachments and supplemental information, was prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of a fine and imprisonment.

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(Signature)			. •
(Title)"			

VI. PUBLIC DOCUMENTS

These records and reports are public documents and shall be made available for inspection during normal business hours at the office of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region.

Ordered by:

Tracy J. Egoscue

Executive Officer

Date: January 9, 2009



