



### **State Water Resources Control Board**

# UST CASE CLOSURE REVIEW SUMMARY REPORT

Agency Information

Agency Name: San Mateo County Environmental Health Division (County)	Address: 2000 Alameda de las Pulgas, Ste.100 San Mateo, CA 94403
Agency Caseworker: Jacob Madden	Case No: 880039

#### **Case Information**

USTCF Claim No.: 11829	Global ID: T0608100890		
Site Name: Melody Toyota	Site Address: 750 El Camino Real		
	San Bruno, CA 92680		
Responsible Party: Bill & Sylvia Wilson Trust	Address: 3466 Twin Oaks Ct		
c/o Dave Wilson	Napa, CA 94558		
USTCF Expenditures to Date: \$266,739	Number of Years Case Open: 25		

URL: <a href="http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile">http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile</a> report.asp?global id=T0608100890

### Summary

The Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy (Policy) contains general and media-specific criteria, and cases that meet those criteria are appropriate for closure pursuant to the Policy. This case meets all of the required criteria of the Policy. A summary evaluation of compliance with the Policy is shown in **Attachment 1: Compliance with State Water Board Policies and State Law**. The Conceptual Site Model upon which the evaluation of the case has been made is described in **Attachment 2: Summary of Basic Case Information (Conceptual Site Model).** Highlights of the case follow:

An unauthorized release was reported in August 1987. In July 1996, one gasoline and three waste oil USTs were removed and an unknown volume of soil was excavated. Since 1987, eleven monitoring wells were installed and monitored. According to groundwater data, water quality objectives have been achieved or nearly achieved for all petroleum hydrocarbon constituents except benzene.

The petroleum release is limited to the soil and shallow groundwater. According to data available in GeoTracker, there are no supply wells regulated by the California Department of Public Health or surface water bodies within 250 feet of the defined plume boundary. No other water supply wells have been identified within 250 feet of the defined plume boundary in files reviewed. Water is provided to water users near the Site by the City of San Bruno. The affected groundwater is not currently being used as a source of drinking water, and it is highly unlikely that the affected groundwater will be used as a source of drinking water in the foreseeable future. Other designated beneficial uses of impacted groundwater are not threatened, and it is highly unlikely that they will be, considering these factors in the context of the site setting. Remaining petroleum hydrocarbon constituents are limited and stable, and concentrations are decreasing.

Corrective actions have been implemented and additional corrective actions are not necessary. Any remaining petroleum hydrocarbon constituents do not pose a significant risk to human health, safety or the environment.

### Rationale for Closure under the Policy

- General Criteria: The case meets all eight Policy general criteria.
- Groundwater Specific Criteria: The case meets Policy Criterion 1 by Class 1. The
  contaminant plume that exceeds water quality objectives is less than 100 feet in length.
  There is no free product. The nearest water supply well or surface water body is greater
  than 250 feet from the defined plume boundary.
- Vapor Intrusion to Indoor Air: The case meets Policy Criterion 2a by Scenario 3a. The
  maximum benzene concentration in groundwater is less than 100 μg/L. The minimum
  depth to groundwater is greater than 5 feet, overlain by soil containing less than 100 mg/kg
  of TPH.
- Direct Contact and Outdoor Air Exposure: The case meets Policy Criterion 3a. Maximum concentrations in soil are less than those in Policy Table 1 for Commercial/Industrial use, and the concentration limits for a Utility Worker are not exceeded. There are no soil sample results in the case record for naphthalene. However, the relative concentration of naphthalene in soil can be conservatively estimated using the published relative concentrations of naphthalene and benzene in gasoline. Taken from Potter and Simmons (1998), gasoline mixtures contain approximately 2 percent benzene and 0.25 percent naphthalene. Therefore, benzene can be directly substituted for naphthalene concentrations with a safety factor of eight. Benzene concentrations from the Site are below the naphthalene thresholds in Policy Table 1. Therefore, the estimated naphthalene concentrations meet the thresholds in Table 1 and the Policy criteria for direct contact by a factor of eight. It is highly unlikely that naphthalene concentrations in the soil, if any, exceed the threshold.

### **Objections to Closure and Responses**

In correspondence dated May 3, 2012, the County denied an April 2012 request to close this site. The County objected to closure because:

 The County believes that free product in monitoring well MW-3A had not been removed and that it would allow closure contingent on the recording of a deed restriction.
 RESPONSE: In the April 24, 2012, Groundwater Monitoring Report it was observed that no measurable free-product had been encountered in monitoring well MW-3A since the first quarter of 2009. The case meets all Policy criteria. No deed restriction is necessary.

In a telephone conversation on June 6, 2013, and an email correspondence the same day, the County stated that:

- The free product had not been removed to the extent practicable in compliance with federal law.
  - RESPONSE: No free product has been reported since the first quarter of 2009.
- The County is unwilling to close the case without a deed restriction requiring future remediation under the existing building in the event that the building is removed. RESPONSE: Secondary source has been removed and residual concentrations are stable and continue to decrease. There is no demonstrated threat to human health. Under the Policy, no further removal or active remedial actions are required. The case meets all Policy criteria. No deed restriction is necessary.

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### Determination

Based on the review performed in accordance with Health & Safety Code Section 25299.39.2 subdivision (a), the Fund Manager has determined that closure of the case is appropriate.

## **Recommendation for Closure**

Based on available information, residual petroleum hydrocarbons at the Site do not pose a significant risk to human health, safety, or the environment, and the case meets the requirements of the Policy. Accordingly, the Fund Manager recommends that the case be closed. The State Water Board is conducting public notification as required by the Policy. San Mateo County has the regulatory responsibility to supervise the abandonment of monitoring wells.

Lisa Babcock, P.G. 3939, C.E.G. 1235

Prepared by: Walter Bahm

### ATTACHMENT 1: COMPLIANCE WITH STATE WATER BOARD POLICIES AND STATE LAW

The case complies with the State Water Resources Control Board policies and state law. Section 25296.10 of the Health and Safety Code requires that sites be cleaned up to protect human health. safety, and the environment. Based on available information, any residual petroleum constituents at the site do not pose significant risk to human health, safety, or the environment.

The case complies with the requirements of the Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank (UST) Case Closure Policy as described below.1

Is corrective action consistent with Chapter 6.7 of the Health and Safety Code and implementing regulations?  The corrective action provisions contained in Chapter 6.7 of the Health and Safety Code and the implementing regulations govern the entire corrective action process at leaking UST sites. If it is determined, at any stage in the corrective action process, that UST site closure is appropriate, further compliance with corrective action requirements is not necessary. Corrective action at this site has been consistent with Chapter 6.7 of the Health and Safety Code and implementing regulations and, since this case meets applicable case-closure requirements, further corrective action is not necessary, unless the activity is necessary for case closure.	☑ Yes □ No
Have waste discharge requirements or any other orders issued pursuant to Division 7 of the Water Code been issued at this case?	□ Yes ☒ No
If so, was the corrective action performed consistent with any order?	□ Yes □ No ☒ NA
General Criteria General criteria that must be satisfied by all candidate sites:	
Is the unauthorized release located within the service area of a public water system?	☑ Yes □ No
Does the unauthorized release consist only of petroleum?	
Has the unauthorized ("primary") release from the UST system been stopped?	☑ Yes □ No
Has free product been removed to the maximum extent practicable?	☑ Yes □ No □ NA
Has a conceptual site model that assesses the nature, extent, and mobility of the release been developed?	☑ Yes □ No

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to the Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy for closure criteria for low-threat petroleum UST sites. http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\_decisions/adopted\_orders/resolutions/2012/rs2012\_0016atta.pdf

Has secondary source been removed to the extent practicable?	☑ Yes □ No
Has soil or groundwater been tested for MTBE and results reported in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 25296.15?	Yes □ No
Nuisance as defined by Water Code section 13050 does not exist at the site?	Yes □ No
Are there unique site attributes or site-specific conditions that demonstrably increase the risk associated with residual petroleum constituents?	□ Yes ☑ No
Media-Specific Criteria Candidate sites must satisfy all three of these media-specific criteria:	
Groundwater:  To satisfy the media-specific criteria for groundwater, the contaminant plume that exceeds water quality objectives must be stable or decreasing in areal extent, and meet all of the additional characteristics of one of the five classes of sites:	×
Is the contaminant plume that exceeds water quality objectives stable or decreasing in areal extent?	☑ Yes □ No □ NA
Does the contaminant plume that exceeds water quality objectives meet all of the additional characteristics of one of the five classes of sites?	☑ Yes □ No □ NA
If YES, check applicable class: ☑ 1 □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 5  For sites with releases that have not affected groundwater, do mobile constituents (leachate, vapors, or light non-aqueous phase liquids) contain sufficient mobile constituents to cause groundwater to exceed the groundwater criteria?	□ Yes □ No ☒ NA
2. Petroleum Vapor Intrusion to Indoor Air: The site is considered low-threat for vapor intrusion to indoor air if site-specific conditions satisfy all of the characteristics of one of the three classes of sites (a through c) or if the exception for active commercial fueling facilities applies.	
Is the site an active commercial petroleum fueling facility?  Exception: Satisfaction of the media-specific criteria for petroleum vapor intrusion to indoor air is not required at active commercial petroleum fueling facilities, except in cases where release characteristics can be reasonably believed to pose an unacceptable health risk.	□ Yes ☒ No
<ul> <li>a. Do site-specific conditions at the release site satisfy all of the applicable characteristics and criteria of scenarios 1 through 3 or all of the applicable characteristics and criteria of scenario 4?</li> <li>If YES, check applicable scenarios: □ 1 □ 2 ☑ 3 □ 4</li> </ul>	☑Yes □ No □ NA

*	D.	been conducted and demonstrates that human health is protected to the satisfaction of the regulatory agency?	□ Yes □ No ☒ NA
	c.	As a result of controlling exposure through the use of mitigation measures or through the use of institutional or engineering controls, has the regulatory agency determined that petroleum vapors migrating from soil or groundwater will have no significant risk of adversely affecting human health?	□ Yes □ No ☒ NA
20	Th	Direct Contact and Outdoor Air Exposure: e site is considered low-threat for direct contact and outdoor air exposure if e-specific conditions satisfy one of the three classes of sites (a through c).	
	a.	Are maximum concentrations of petroleum constituents in soil less than or equal to those listed in Table 1 for the specified depth below ground surface (bgs)?	☑ Yes □ No □ NA
2	b.	Are maximum concentrations of petroleum constituents in soil less than levels that a site specific risk assessment demonstrates will have no significant risk of adversely affecting human health?	□ Yes □ No ☒ NA
	C.	As a result of controlling exposure through the use of mitigation measures or through the use of institutional or engineering controls, has the regulatory agency determined that the concentrations of petroleum constituents in soil will have no significant risk of adversely affecting human health?	□ Yes □ No ☒ NA

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# ATTACHMENT 2: SUMMARY OF BASIC CASE INFORMATION (Conceptual Site Model)

# Site Location/History

- This Site is an auto dealership and is bounded by businesses across El Camino Real to the west, a commercial petroleum fueling facility to the north, a church across Hensley Avenue to the east, and businesses to the south.
- Mill's Park Cleaners, dry cleaning facility is upgradient of the Site.
- A Site map showing the location of the current and former USTs, monitoring wells, and groundwater level contours is provided at the end of this closure review summary (Gribi & Associates, 2012).
- Nature of Contaminants of Concern: Petroleum hydrocarbons and chlorinated solvents, unrelated to the Site.
- Source: UST System.
- Date reported: August 1987.
- Status of Release: USTs removed.

### **Tank Information**

Tank No.	Size in Gallons	Contents	Closed in Place/ Removed/Active	Date	
1	500	Gasoline	Removed	April 1996	
2	300	Waste Oil	Removed	April 1996	
3	300	Waste Oil	Removed	April 1996	

### Receptors

- GW Basin: Westside.
- Beneficial Uses: The San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) Basin Plan lists agricultural, municipal, domestic and industrial supply.
- Land Use Designation: Commercial and industrial.
- Public Water System: City of San Bruno, Water and Sewer Department.
- Distance to Nearest Supply Well: According to data available in GeoTracker, there are no
  public supply wells regulated by the California Department of Public Health within 250 feet
  of the defined plume boundary. No other water supply wells were identified within 250 feet
  of the defined plume boundary in the files reviewed.
- Distance to Nearest Surface Water: There is no identified surface water within 250 feet of the defined plume boundary.

# Geology/Hydrogeology

- Stratigraphy: The Site is underlain by sand clay and silty sand.
- Maximum Sample Depth: 20 feet below ground surface (bgs).
- Minimum Groundwater Depth: 8.50 feet bgs at monitoring well MW-6.
- Maximum Groundwater Depth: 15.13 feet bgs at monitoring well MW-7.
- Current Average Depth to Groundwater: Approximately 13 feet bgs.
- Saturated Zones(s) Studied: Approximately 8-20 feet bgs.
- Appropriate Screen Interval: Yes.
- Groundwater Flow Direction: Variable, but generally northeast with an average gradient of 0.001 feet/foot (Gribi, April 2012).

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**Monitoring Well Information** 

Well Designation	Date Installed	Screen Interval (feet bgs)	Depth to Water (feet bgs) (02/08/12)	
MW-1	January 1997	6-10	Destroyed	
MW-2	January 1997	5-10	Destroyed	
MW-3	January 1997	5-10	Destroyed	
MW-3A	January 2007	5-20	12.62	
MW-4A	March 2007	5-20	12.75	
MW-5A	March 2007	5-20	12.91	
MW-6	October 2005	5-20	11.55	
MW-7	October 2005	5-20	14.04	
MW-8	October 2005	5-20	13.57	

NM: Not measured

# **Remediation Summary**

- Free Product: Historically free product was reported in MW-3 (up to 0.39 feet). No measurable free product noted since 2009.
- Soil Excavation: An unknown volume of soils excavated during the 1996 UST removal.
- In-Situ Soil Remediation: Soil vapor extraction test performed on Site wells VP-1 and VP-6 in 1996.
- Groundwater Remediation: None reported.

### Most Recent Concentrations of Petroleum Constituents in Soil

Constituent	Maximum 0-5 feet bgs [mg/kg (date)]	Maximum 5-10 feet bgs [mg/kg (date)]		
Benzene	<0.01 (05/12/03)	< 0.005 (05/12/03)		
Ethylbenzene	0.161 (05/12/03)	0.036 (05/12/03)		
Naphthalene	NA	NA		
PAHs	NA	NA		

NA: Not Analyzed, Not Applicable or Data Not Available

mg/kg: milligrams per kilogram, parts per million

<: Not detected at or above stated reporting limit

PAHs: Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons

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Most Recent Concentrations of Petroleum Constituents in Groundwater

[Sample	Sample Date	TPHg (µg/L)	Benzene (µg/L)	Toluene (µg/L)	Ethyl- Benzene (μg/L)	Xylenes (μg/L)	MTBE (µg/L)	TBA (µg/L)
MW-3A	02/08/12	82	1.2	0.68	<0.5	<1	<1	<10
MW-4A	02/08/12	2,500	<0.5	0.75	<0.5	<1	<1	<10
MW-5A	02/08/12	4,100	1.9	0.57	<0.5	<1	<1	<10
MW-6	02/08/12	330	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<1	<1	<10
MW-7	02/08/12	1,600	<0.5	0.77	<0.5	<1	<1	<10
MW-8	02/08/12	1,200	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<1	<1	<10
WQOs			1	150	300	1,750	5	1,200 <sup>b</sup>

NA: Not Analyzed, Not Applicable or Data Not Available

µg/L: micrograms per liter, parts per billion <: Not detected at or above stated reporting limit TPHg: Total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline

MTBE: Methyl tert-butyl ether TBA: Tert-butyl alcohol

WQOs: Water Quality Objectives, Regional Water Board Basin Plan

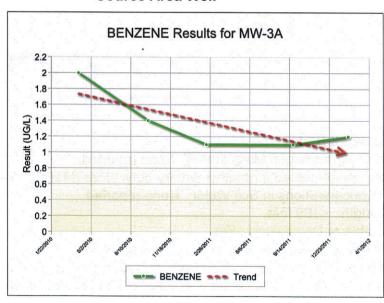
--: Regional Water Board Basin Plan does not have a numeric WQO value for TPHg

b: California Department of Public Health, Response Level

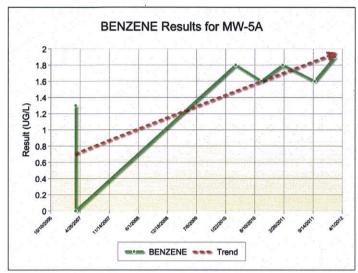
### **Groundwater Trends**

• Since 1997 groundwater has been regularly monitored at this Site. The TPHg detections in site monitoring wells have been attributed to the presence of the chlorinated solvents associated with the upgradient dry cleaners (Gribi, July 2012). Benzene trends are shown below: Source area (MW-3A), near downgradient (MW-5A), and far downgradient (MW-7).

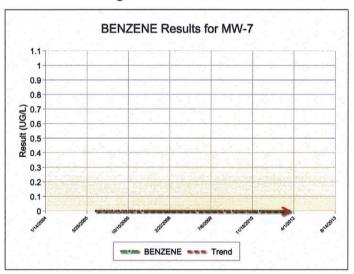
### **Source Area Well**



# Near Downgradient Well



**Downgradient Well** 

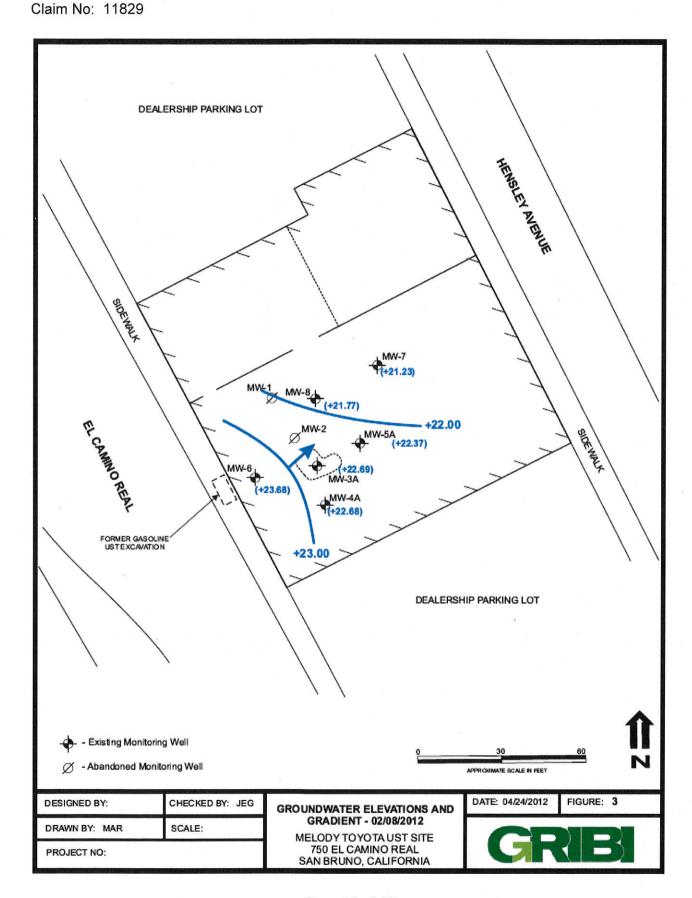


### **Evaluation of Current Risk**

- Estimate of Hydrocarbon Mass in Soil: None reported.
- Soil/Groundwater tested for methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE): Yes, see table above.
- Oxygen Concentrations in Soil Vapor: None reported.
- Plume Length: <100 feet.
- Plume Stable or Decreasing: Yes.
- Contaminated Zone(s) Used for Drinking Water: No.
- Groundwater Risk from Residual Petroleum Hydrocarbons: The case meets Policy Criterion 1 by Class 1. The contaminant plume that exceeds water quality objectives is less than 100 feet in length. There is no free product. The nearest water supply well or surface water body is greater than 250 feet from the defined plume boundary.

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- Indoor Vapor Risk from Residual Petroleum Hydrocarbons: The case meets Policy Criterion 2a by Scenario 3a. The maximum benzene concentration in groundwater is less than 100 μg/L. The minimum depth to groundwater is greater than 5 feet, overlain by soil containing less than 100 μg/kg of TPH.
- Direct Contact Risk from Residual Petroleum Hydrocarbons: The case meets Policy Criterion 3a. Maximum concentrations in soil are less than those in Policy Table 1 for Commercial/Industrial use, and the concentration limits for a Utility Worker are not exceeded. There are no soil sample results in the case record for naphthalene. However, the relative concentration of naphthalene in soil can be conservatively estimated using the published relative concentrations of naphthalene and benzene in gasoline. Taken from Potter and Simmons (1998), gasoline mixtures contain approximately 2 percent benzene and 0.25 percent naphthalene. Therefore, benzene can be directly substituted for naphthalene concentrations with a safety factor of eight. Benzene concentrations from the Site are below the naphthalene thresholds in Policy Table 1. Therefore, the estimated naphthalene concentrations meet the thresholds in Table 1 and the Policy criteria for direct contact by a factor of eight. It is highly unlikely that naphthalene concentrations in the soil, if any, exceed the threshold.



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