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JULIE KORENSTEIN
BOARD MEMBER

April 11, 2000

(b) (6) Privacy

Irvine, CA 92614

Dear (b) (6) Privacy

Thank you for sending me your memorandum of March 30, 2000 regarding the underground tanks at (b)(6) Privacy

I will make sure our Interim Superintendent is made aware of your concerns and I will ask that Mr. Cortines respond directly to you.

Sincerely,

Julie Korenstein

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Attachment

c: Ramon Cortines

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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April 13, 2000

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Irvine, CA 92614

RE: UNDERGROUND TANKS AT (b)(6) Privacy STREET

(b) (6) Privacy

I am writing in response to your letter of March 30, 2000 on the above subject matter. Staff from our Environmental Health and Safety Branch (EHSF) has provided me with information on the status of the site, which is summarized below.

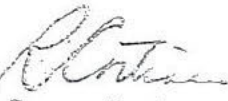
Underground storage tanks were removed from the site in the late 1970's, and we are unaware of any other gasoline tanks remaining at the site. The District leased the property in 1998 for intended use as an Opportunity Center. Hydrocarbon like odors were noted in two locations adjoining 103rd Street during the installation of fencing. This discovery prompted the district to perform several environmental investigations at the site.

The District conducted both a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment in December 1998, and a soil investigation in April 1999. Results of the April 1999 investigation indicated that soils were impacted with gasoline, diesel and chlorinated solvents. The discovery of this pre-existing contamination led the District to inform both the California Regional Water Quality Control Board and the Los Angeles City Fire Department in May 1999. The District terminated the lease due to these discoveries.

In order to address health concerns at Florence Griffith Joyner School, the District has requested the California Department of Health Services (DHS) to review conditions at the school and advise us on the need for toxicological and epidemiological studies. In consultation with DHS, the District also purposes to perform a health risk assessment utilizing chemical concentration data from the former site investigation. This will provide for a determination as to whether school occupants are exposed to the gasoline components detected in the subsurface soils. Finally, the EHBS will inform Student Health and Human Services and Employee Health Services regarding the health issues raised by members of the school community.

Please feel free to contact Mr. Angelo Bellomo of Environmental Health and Safety, at (213) 743-5086 should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,



Ramon Cortines
Interim Superintendent

c: Members, Board of Education
Howard Miller
Angelo Bellomo

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July 30, 2000

Yi Hwa Kim, Deputy Director
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Los Angeles, CA 90051

Dear Ms. Kim:

The California Department of Health Services Environmental Health Investigations Branch (CDHS-EHIB) was asked by the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) to review and approve a health risk assessment regarding a nearby potential source of fugitive emissions and the possible impact on students and staff at the Florence Griffith Joyner School (Joyner School). In addition, you sent us correspondence (b)(6) Privacy a gentleman who had approached LAUSD about serious health concerns he alleged might have arisen as a result of the nearby source problem (a former gasoline station). (b)(6) Privacy has also been in contact with EHIB by both phone and letter and has brought up a number of concerns in addition to the ones he first raised with you. In this letter, we will comment on the health risk assessment, and we will provide a separate letter to (b)(6) Privacy to address his concerns.

In addition to reviewing the health risk assessment that was conducted by your staff, CDHS-EHIB reviewed the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment produced by Hydrologue, Inc in 1998 and the Phase II Site Characterization Report for the (b)(6) Privacy Avenue property produced by Tait Environmental Management, Inc in 1999. CDHS-EHIB staff conducted a visit to the school and site area in June 2000. Prior to receiving this request, CDHS-EHIB had no prior involvement with Joyner School, and had not reviewed any other documents related to the contaminated soil that was removed from the school property. Staff who reviewed the material work on a cooperative agreement with the federal Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR).

According to the information reviewed, the Florence Griffith School (formerly the 102nd Street School) was established by LAUSD in 1925 on the northeast corner of (b)(6) Privacy Avenue. And it seems that a school was located on the same property prior to the annexation of the property by LAUSD.

Historic aerial photos and fire insurance maps (Sanborn maps) seem to indicate that various buildings have occupied the other three corners of the intersection of (b)(6) Privacy Avenue over the past 90 years. The subject of this letter focuses on the southeast corner. From 1950 to 1976, a gasoline station then a gasoline station/auto repair shop occupied the lot. Either both or one of these businesses contaminated the subsurface soil with petroleum hydrocarbon compounds.

Though the gasoline tanks were removed in 1976, it seems that there was no soil cleanup. The lot was later used for other commercial activities including a Church's Fried Chicken.

The LAUSD leased the property in 1998 for intended use as an "Opportunity Center". Four portable classrooms (bungalows) were placed on the property in mid-1998. According to the school district, chemical smells were noted during the installation of fencing around the property. These smells prompted the district to perform several environmental investigations. According to the LAUSD, the property and bungalows were never used for school activities. The property is currently fenced, and completely covered with asphalt.

The CDHS have reviewed the documents which record these investigations, and the following is a summary and review of some of the pertinent information about each:

Summary of the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment

The LAUSD paid a consultant (Hydrologue Inc.) to conduct a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment in December 1998. As per the guidance of the American Society for Testing and Materials, the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment is a review of available data such as property records, historical parcel maps, historic aerial photos, records of local, state, and federal environmental agencies regarding the property and nearby property. The intent of the Phase I is to construct a historical summary of the activities that have occurred at and around the site, which could have resulted in contamination of the property. As a result of the Phase I Environmental Assessment, the consultants were able to define two previous uses of the property that may have resulted in contamination: a gasoline station operated there from 1956-1957 and a gasoline station/auto repair shop operated there from 1961 to 1976.

According to the Phase I report, there was no mention of the placement of underground storage tanks on the site when the first gasoline station operated there in 1956-58. Presumably, this is the time when underground storage tanks were installed. In April 1976 there was a permit application for demolition of the service station, including the removal of two 3,000 gallon and one 4,000 gallon fuel underground storage tanks from the northwest portion of the site. At that time, a 550 gallon waste oil underground storage tank was removed from behind the former service station building. The holes were backfilled and compacted. No environmental information was found regarding the condition of the soil or the tanks at the time of removal.

In 1983, a Church's Fried Chicken was constructed on the site. The commercial establishment was destroyed during the riots in 1992. The foundation of the commercial establishment was removed in 1998 and replaced with asphalt. The rest of the property was already paved, as it was the parking lot for the fast food restaurant.

Twenty-two samples (the hand augered boring and two per soil boring, three fractions were analyzed for one of the borings) were analyzed for volatile and semivolatile chemicals. For some soil borings, the same soil samples that were analyzed for TPH were also included in these analyses, in some cases different soil samples were chosen for these analyses.

Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes were found in soil samples from borings 1-9. Only benzene and xylenes were found in boring 10 (the soil boring collected near the eastern edge of the site). The halogenated volatile organic compound, 1,2-dichloroethane, was found in three samples from three soil borings. (1,2-Dichloroethane is a chemical that is added to gasoline to scavenge lead.) Two semivolatile organic compounds, naphthalene and 2-methylnaphthalene, were detected in eight of the soil borings. (Petroleum naturally contain naphthalenes) Metal analyses were also conducted. (Many metals are naturally occurring in soil. Petroleum does not naturally contain metals, in the past lead was added to fuel.)

Review of the Phase II Site Characterization

The approach that was taken (soil vapor probes followed by soil borings) in the site characterization was very well thought out and appropriate for identifying the hot spot areas of potential contamination at the site. In the following three paragraphs, CDHS-EHIB staff evaluate the site characterization data.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and/or the U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry has established non-cancer health comparison values for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, ethylbenzene, xylenes, 1,2-dichloroethane, naphthalene, and methylnaphthalene. If one assumes that a child or an adult has daily exposure to this subsurface soil that is covered by asphalt and incidentally ingests some of the soil, the exposure would not result exceed the noncancer health comparison values for any of the chemicals. However, this exposure does not occur nor has it probably ever occurred.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) has established cancer potency factors for those chemicals that are considered carcinogenic. Of the chemicals found in the soil, benzene, 1,2-dichloroethane are considered carcinogenic. If one assumes that a person has daily exposure to this subsurface soil that is covered by asphalt and incidentally ingests some of the soil, then there would be a slight increased cancer risk (2 in 1,000,000). However, this exposure does not occur nor has it probably ever occurred.

Though direct exposure to the contaminated subsurface soil has not occurred or is not occurring, many of the chemicals that were detected in the subsurface soil are volatile (have a tendency to become a gas), and can rise through the soil column and be released to the air. The likelihood of this is also low because the site is completely covered by asphalt. However, there may be small cracks or holes in the asphalt. Since

the land was never used by the school for school functions, there is no need to evaluate the potential impact to a schoolchild that used the bungalows and walked on the property. However, it is possible to evaluate the impact that the site may pose to the nearby children and school staff of the Joyner school.

Summary of the Health Risk Assessment for the Florence Griffith Joyner School

The Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) recently evaluated the potential exposure from fugitive emissions from the contaminated soil on the former gasoline station to children and adults at the Florence Griffith Joyner School. To evaluate this LAUSD staff modeled the movement of the chemicals benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes from the subsurface soil up through the soil column, release to the air, movement of the air from the former gasoline site to the school playground, and breathing of this air by the children and staff at the school. The models used by LAUSD have been approved by state and/or federal regulatory agencies. Modeling is the appropriate method to use for this type of evaluation. If the modeling reveals a potential problem then there may be a need to pursue the issue in some other manner.

In the modeling, LAUSD staff used the maximum concentrations measured in the soil vapor that was collected as part of the Phase II Site Characterization. They used meteorological data (wind direction and air speed, rainfall, etc) collected by the South Coast Air Quality Management District's Lynwood monitoring station. They also took the public health protective measure of assuming there was no asphalt covering the property, i.e. the soil gas can escape from all parts of the school property, as opposed to the small amount that may be leaking out through cracks or holes in the asphalt. The modeled air emissions from the soil determined for 8AM to 4PM were averaged over 24 hours.

The model calculated the concentrations for several locations on the Florence Griffith Joyner. The location with the maximal exposure resulted in predicted concentrations of benzene (0.028 micrograms/m³), toluene (0.0031 micrograms/m³), ethylbenzene (0.033 micrograms/m³), and xylenes (0.0059 micrograms/m³) resulting from the fugitive emissions from the former gasoline station.

Review of the Health Risk Assessment for the Florence Griffith Joyner School

The modeling approach that LAUSD took to evaluate the health risk posed by the contaminated soil is appropriate as they used assumptions that are public health protective. The resulting concentrations of benzene, toluene, and ethylbenzene, and xylenes are very low and do not pose a health hazard. Specifically, these concentrations would not result in any non-cancer health effect from any of the four compounds and an insignificant cancer risk from the benzene (the only chemical considered to be carcinogenic) exposure.

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In the air modeling, LAUSD did not evaluate the emission risk from several other volatile organic chemicals detected in the soil borings, but not detected in the soil vapor analysis: 1,2-dichloroethane, naphthalene, and methylnaphthalene. However, these compounds were detected at very low levels in the soil. In comparison to levels of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes found in the soil, the low levels of these other compounds would be not expected to be a health hazard if they did migrate from the soil into the soil vapor phase.

The predicted worse case concentrations of chemicals coming from the former gasoline station are also very low when compared to the typical levels of these compounds which are measured in Los Angeles air. For example, levels of these compounds measured at the nearest South Coast Air Quality District monitoring station located in downtown L.A. at 1630 North Main Street are as follows: benzene (3.5 micrograms/m³), toluene (15 micrograms/m³), ethylbenzene (13 micrograms/m³), xylenes (8.2 micrograms/m³).

Conclusions and Recommendations

The LAUSD has demonstrated that the subsurface soil is contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons. The subsurface soil is not accessible to direct contact and would not pose a health hazard even if it were incidentally ingested on a consistent basis. Nor does the site pose a health hazard to the nearby school from fugitive emissions; however, the former gasoline station is located adjacent to residences and a church and emissions may pose a health hazard for these properties. Before a temporary or permanent structure is placed on the former gasoline station property, there should be an evaluation of the potential build-up of the volatile organic chemicals from the subsurface soil inside the proposed structure. In light of all these issues, it seems prudent that this former underground storage tank site receive priority by the appropriate agency for further site characterization.

Please contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,



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Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

April 16, 2018

Ms. Andrea Wing
Shell Oil Products US
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TRANSMITTAL OF CLOSURE LETTER FOR FORMER SHELL SERVICE STATION
(b)(6) Privacy AVENUE, LOS ANGELES
(CASE NO. (b)(6) Privacy (PRIORITY C-1 SITE)

Dear Ms. Wing:

Attached please find the closure letter for the subject site. The current record fee title owners were notified of the proposed closure in accordance with Section 25296.20 of Chapter 6.7 of the Health and Safety Code. The Regional Board sent a public notification of the proposed case closure to all interested parties, which included a 60-day public comment period. We have responded to all comments.

Based on the site-specific information and data available on GeoTracker and the Regional Water Board's case file, we have determined that this case meets all criteria of the State Water Board's Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy and is therefore eligible for closure.

Due to the residual petroleum hydrocarbons in soil and/or groundwater at this site, future construction or redevelopment activities, such as onsite or offsite excavations, installation of water wells at or near the site, or changing from commercial land use to a more sensitive land use may pose an unacceptable risk to human health or the environment. Responsible parties, landowners, and contractors performing subsurface activities at the site should be prepared to encounter soil, groundwater, and/or vapor contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons. Appropriate health and safety equipment and protocols should be used, and any encountered contamination should be managed properly to avoid threats to human health or the environment.

Please contact Mr. Arman Toumari at (213) 576-6708 (atoumari@waterboards.ca.gov) if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,



Deborah J. Smith
Executive Officer

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

April 16, 2018

Ms. Andrea Wing
Shell Oil Products US
20945 South Wilmington Avenue
Carson, CA 90810

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK PROGRAM – CASE CLOSURE
FORMER SHELL SERVICE STATION (b)(6) Privacy AVENUE, LOS ANGELES
(CASE NO. (b)(6) Privacy (PRIORITY C-1 SITE))

Dear Ms. Wing:

This letter confirms the completion of a site investigation and corrective action for the underground storage tank(s) formerly located at the above-described location. Thank you for your cooperation throughout this investigation. Your willingness and promptness in responding to our inquiries concerning the former underground storage tank(s) are greatly appreciated.

Based on information in the above-referenced file and with the provision that the information provided to this agency was accurate and representative of site conditions, this agency finds that the site investigation and corrective action carried out at your underground tank(s) site is in compliance with the requirements of subdivision (a) and (b) of section 25296.10 of the Health and Safety Code and with corrective action regulations adopted pursuant to section 25299.3 of the Health and Safety Code and that no further action related to the petroleum release(s) at the site is required.

This notice is issued pursuant to subdivision (g) of section 25296.10 of the Health and Safety Code.

Claims for reimbursement of corrective action costs submitted to the Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund more than 365 days after the date of this letter or issuance or activation of the Fund's Letter of Commitment, whichever occurs later, will not be reimbursed unless one of the following exceptions applies:

- Claims are submitted pursuant to Section 25299.57, subdivision (k) (reopened UST case); or
- Submission within the timeframe was beyond the claimant's reasonable control, ongoing work is required for closure that will result in the submission of claims beyond that time period, or that under the circumstances of the case, it would be unreasonable or inequitable to impose the 365-day time period.



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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Return Receipt Requested

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In Reply Refer to:

EPA File No.: 08R-14-R9

(b) (6) Privacy

Irvine, California 92614

Re: Request for Clarification

Dear **(b)(6) Privacy**

This letter is to notify you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Civil Rights (OCR), needs additional information before we can determine if your complaint will be accepted, rejected, or referred to another Federal Agency. See Code of Federal Regulations 40 (C.F.R.) § 7.120(d)(1).

On June 7, 2014, you filed a written complaint with OCR. On October 22, 2014, you have also written a follow-up letter, which includes: a letter to Mr. Cortines of the Los Angeles Unified School District; a letter from Mr. Cortines' office from April 13, 2000; a June 19, 2014 news article from *Our Weekly Los Angeles*; and a December 25, 2013, article from the *Los Angeles Times*. In addition, you have spoken to members of OCR including Katsumi Keeler, Jonathan Stein, Ericka Farrell, and Brittany Martinez.

In these correspondence and phone conversations you have identified two discriminatory issues:

- (1) The first discriminatory issue is related to underground pollution in the Watts neighborhood of Los Angeles in which you have referenced the abandoned tank at Florence Griffith Joyner Elementary School, the underground storage tank spill at Grape Elementary School, the lead found at Jordan High School in 2002, the underground water contamination around these four schools, and the soil contamination in the Jordan Downs Housing Project which the two articles explain that redevelopment plans are exacerbating the problems. You allege that these issues have caused cancer in students and teachers.
- (2) The second discriminatory issue is related to a Shell gas station that has failed to remove contaminated soil from its property.

Moreover, you have indicated that the complaint is against: (1) County of Los Angeles; (2) City of Los Angeles; (3) Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Review Board; (4) Los

Angeles Unified School District; (5) Shell Oil Company; and, (6) Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board.

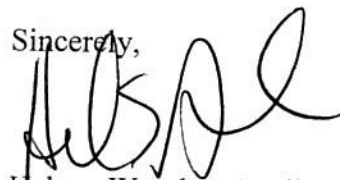
For a complaint to be accepted for investigation, the complaint must meet the jurisdictional requirements described in the EPA's nondiscrimination regulations. First, the complaint must be in writing. *See* 40 C.F.R. §7.120(b)(1). Second, the complaint must describe an alleged discriminatory act that, if true, may violate the EPA's nondiscrimination regulations (*i.e.*, an alleged discriminatory act based on race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability). *See* 40 C.F.R. §7.120(b)(1). Third, the complaint must be filed within 180 calendar days of the alleged discriminatory act. *See* 40 C.F.R. §7.120(b)(2). Finally, the complaint must be filed against an applicant for, or a recipient of, EPA financial assistance that allegedly committed the discriminatory act. *See* 40 C.F.R. § 7.15.

Your complaint does not provide the OCR with enough information to complete the review needed to determine whether the OCR can process your complaint. To further assist us in our review of the complaint, please provide the OCR with the following information within 20 calendar days of your receipt of this letter:

- 1) A description of the alleged discriminatory act(s) committed in relation to the Watts neighborhood and the Shell Oil Company.
- 2) Date(s) of the alleged discriminatory act(s) committed by the recipient(s) that occurred within 180 calendar days of June 7, 2014 (the date you filed this complaint) in relation to the Watts neighborhood and the Shell Oil Company.
- 3) The identity of the recipient(s) of or applicant(s) for EPA financial assistance who has/have committed the alleged discriminatory act(s).

If you have any questions about the status of the subject complaint, please contact Brittany Martinez of my staff at (202) 564-0727, via e-mail at Martinez.Brittany@epa.gov, or via mail at U.S. EPA, Office of Civil Rights, (Mail Code 1201A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460.

Sincerely,



Helena Wooden-Aguilar
Assistant Director

Enclosure

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Associate General Counsel
Civil Rights & Finance Law Office
U.S. EPA Office of General Counsel

(MC 2399A)

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August 20, 2014

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Assistant Sec. for EJ
Mr. Arsenio Mataka
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Mataka,

**DISCRIMINATION BASIS ON RACE // BLACK & BROWN CHILDRENS //
PEOPLES WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE PROBLEM:
STATE GOVERNMENT / JERRY BROWN / MATTHEW RODRIQUEZ
/KAMULA HARRIS / ALL SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES /
/REP. JANIS HAHN / REP. KAREN BASS / MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI /
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LAUSD / FED. & STATE EPA /**

**RE: Toxic release and abandoned underground Tank on School Site in Watts
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Amendments of 1986 / Public Garden Within Half Mile Radius Of The Subject
Site / City Government Sold 15+ Houses Within Half Mile Radius Without
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I am still fighting about this matter. Thank you.**

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May 20, 2014

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United States Commission on Civil Rights
1131 Pennsylvania Ave, NW.
Washington, D.C. 20425
Attn: Ms. Catharine Lhamon

Dear Ms. Lhamon,

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October 22, 2014

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Los Angeles Unified School District
Mr. Ramon Cortines
333 South Beaudry Ave.
Los Angeles, CA. 90017

Dear Mr. Cortines,

Los Angeles Unified School District still has the following problems:

- a. Underground storage tanks still at Grape Street 1940 East 111th Street on Old Federal Land
- b. Teachers and Students are still getting cancer at Griffith Joyner School
- c. Shell Oil fail to remove contamination soil from property across the street from the Griffith Joyner. See your Phase 1 and Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment 12/18/1998 and 05/03/ 1999
- d. The new owner removed the pavement to build something on it.
- e. The groundwater is toxic. /Half mile radius of subject site
- f. Lead found on Jordan High School 2002 and across the street from Jordan High School.
- g. Soil samples should be taken at all four Schools and the Jordan Down Housing Projects.
- h. Dr. John E. Deasy failed to respond to my letter.

Any help in this matter would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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April 17, 2014

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Mayor Eric Garcetti
200 North Spring Street Rm303
Los Angeles, CA. 90012

Dear Mayor Garcetti,

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Los Angeles

Jordan Downs residents want tests of 'toxic' soil

OW Staff Writer | 6/19/2014, midnight



Before the Housing Authority of the city of Los Angeles can begin its long overdue revitalization of the Jordan Downs housing project in Watts, it must tackle perhaps one of the most polluted and blighted parcels of land in the entire city.

An application has been submitted to test the contaminated soil at an abandoned steel mill and truck repair facility —adjacent to the housing development—which for decades was laced with lead, arsenic, mercury, chromium, petroleum by-products and other carcinogens left over from the manufacturing days of the old Alameda Industrial Corridor. It's a rusting, rodent-ridden 21-acre eyesore not far from Jordan High School and known to locals as "the factory."

The housing authority wants to remove and replace thousands of truckloads of contaminated soil there. The 2,500 residents who live near the site are concerned that the contaminants have naturally seeped into the grounds of the housing project and are calling on the housing authority to extend its soil testing into the housing development. The housing authority has not planned to test the residential soil.

"It's about time," Thelmy Perez, an organizer with the L.A. Human Right to Housing Collective, told the Los Angeles Times this week. "The community has been asking for this since last August and those calls had been ignored." At that time, residents were informed that Jordan Downs would be undergoing extensive remodeling, but that plan was put on hold in March when city officials learned that they would not be awarded a \$30-million federal grant to help pay for the project.

Much of the soil along Alameda Street is likely contaminated from the old steel mills, foundries and manufacturing plants that arose shortly before and during World War II. Soil contaminated with carcinogens is a big concern among parents whose children typically play in the dirt, breath in the poisons and often transfer these deadly chemicals by footprint back into their apartments. This can result in health problems including cancer, lung disease and permanent learning deficiencies because of the way these toxins can affect the brain.

Larry Goins, senior director of real estate development for the housing authority, said this week he saw no "scientific" or "health reasons" to survey and test the Jordan Downs soil. "The reason we didn't do it before is, we don't want to scare our residents. We don't expect to find anything," he said.

The disputed area is among the initial clean-up efforts in the first phase of the plan to expand and gentrify the World War II-era housing project into a mixed-income, "urban village" of up to 1,800 new dwellings.

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Soil contamination a hurdle for new Jordan Downs housing plan

The L.A. city housing authority has promised to remove contaminated soil, but some argue the chemical levels will still be too high.

December 25, 2013 | By Tony Barboza and Jessica Garrison

As if the task of transforming one of the city's most notorious housing projects into a new "urban village" wasn't daunting enough, Los Angeles has run into another hurdle in the redevelopment of Jordan Downs: concerns over contaminated land.

City officials earlier this year approved a plan to spend up to \$1 billion to turn the often dangerous Watts housing development of 700 derelict units into a mixed-income community of up to 1,800 stylish new apartments.

But the plan hinges on building the first phase of the new community on 21 acres of former industrial land that is laced with lead, arsenic, oil and cancer-causing industrial chemicals from its past use as a steel factory.

The Housing Authority of the city of Los Angeles has pledged to remove the contaminated soil to make the site safe. Officials estimate they will spend up to \$8 million to haul away thousands of truckloads of contaminated soil and replace it with clean material.

"This has been an industrial site for decades, and so I would think people would be happy that we are stepping into this void to actually deliver this sort of cleanup," said Doug Guthrie, the head of the city's housing authority. The agency is seeking approval to begin work as early as the spring.

But activists, residents and environmental groups say the cleanup plan falls short of protecting the health of future residents, particularly children. Some critics are demanding a wider investigation of contaminants, including in soil in parts of Jordan Downs where people have been living for generations, saying they fear pollution has spread or remained there, undetected, for decades.

"We're going to keep insisting they do more testing to make sure it's safe to live there," Lorena Garcia, 42, said in Spanish. She lives in an apartment in Jordan Downs with her husband and six children. "We're the ones who are going to be harmed, especially those of us with young children," she said.

Residents and activists have seized on memos between the state and the housing authority over cleanup standards that they say show the plans are not thorough.

An assessment of the vacant site in 2011 found lead, arsenic and industrial compounds known as polychlorinated biphenyls at levels that would pose an "unacceptable" health risk to future residents, particularly children. The analysis by a city-hired consultant also found unhealthy levels of naphthalene, an ingredient in mothballs, in vapors in the soil.

Most concerning to both regulators and activists is the soil's lead content. Children who play in dirt contaminated with the poisonous metal can ingest the dust. Over time it accumulates in their bodies and even at low levels can cause permanent health problems and learning deficiencies.

A toxicologist hired by the housing authority initially called for a cleanup plan that would leave lead in the soil at a level more than six times higher than the state standard of 80 parts per million for residential areas.

The state Department of Toxic Substances Control wrote in a 2011 memo to the consultant that the higher level "may not be protective of a child resident" and called for meeting the 80 ppm standard.

But the remediation plan the city drafted earlier this year sets the goal at 315 ppm, nearly four times the state limit.

Asked about the discrepancy, state toxics department officials said they will refuse to sign off on the cleanup unless the 80 ppm average is met. Housing authority officials say they will do whatever the state requires.

Those assurances are not enough, said David Pettit, an attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council. The environmental group is one of several who say the cleanup plan may not be enough for a site that will house families with young children.

"I'm worried about babies rolling around in lead and arsenic," Pettit said.

Some residents say they now fear dangerous metals are not confined to the 21-acre site, which was a truck storage and repair facility after the steel mill closed and is now walled off from the community. The city purchased the site in 2008 for \$31 million.

Soil contamination has been a problem in the surrounding area. People in the same zip code as Jordan Downs live with some of the highest pollution exposure in the state, according to a recent analysis by California environmental agencies, and also are in the top 10% of areas in California with the most contaminated land.

Students at neighboring David Starr Jordan High School were evacuated in 2002 after a Navy shell from an adjacent metal recycling

October 04, 2014

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PSR / LA
617 South Olive Street #200
Los Angeles, CA. 90014
Attn: Ms. Martha Arguella

Dear Ms. Martha Arguella,

How many people will get cancer before something is done!!! (The number 10) Mr. Bob Colangelo of the Army Corp. Engr. told me his department had the money to remove the tanks. Still no clean up.

PEOPLE WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THE PROBLEM:

STATE GOVERNMENT / JERRY BROWN / MATTHEW RODRIQUEZ/
KAMULA HARRIS / **ALL SUPERVISORS** COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES /
/REP. JANIS HAHN / REP. KAREN BASS / MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI /
ALL CITY COUNCIL / JIM MARXEN 916-324-6544 TOXIC SUBSTANCE/
/SANDRA THOMPSON 916-341-5849 **WATER BOARD** / DR. JOHN DEASY
LAUSD / FED. & STATE EPA

RE: Site 1. Toxic release and abandoned underground Tank on School Site in Watts
(Grape Street) (on Old Federal Land). Student dies from cancer!
Griffith Joyner School: Before 2000 / 3 Dies from cancer. After 2000 / 2 Dies from cancer. One office worker
has breast cancer. Students in High School who went to this school has Tumor & Leukemia. (State in IEP)
Another teacher has cancer. /

Site 2. Appears Shell Oil Failed to Remove Contamination Soil From the Property Across the Street From The
School. See Study! Los Angeles Fire Department failed to sign off! Children Service failed to address the
Problem! Health Department failed to address problem because people are still getting cancer!
Cover up by LAUSD /failed to tell parents from three schools & learning center/ Shell Oil failed to tell public
about leaking tanks half mile radius of the subject site / Groundwater Contamination / Public Drinking Water /
Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1986 / Public Garden Within Half Mile Radius Of The Subject Site /
City Government Sold 15+ Houses Within Half Mile Radius Without Telling Public or Buyer / Federal
Government Fail Tell Location Of Underground Tanks On Old Government Land / Plant Manager point out
locations of tanks /
I am still fighting about this matter. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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your rights and protections. Please complete the consent/release form and return the form to the address below within ten (10) calendar days after your receipt of this letter.

The EPA's nondiscrimination regulations also provide that the OCR must attempt to resolve complaints informally whenever possible (40 C.F.R. §7.120(d)(2)). Accordingly, if the complaint is accepted for investigation, the OCR may discuss offers to informally resolve the complaint, and may, to the extent appropriate, facilitate an informal resolution process with the involvement of affected stakeholders.

In the interim, if you have any questions about the status of this complaint, please contact Allison Gabala of my staff at (202) 564-9828, via e-mail at gabala.allison@epa.gov, or Brittany Martinez at (202) 564-0727, via email at martinez.brittany@epa.gov, or via mail at U.S. EPA, Office of Civil Rights (Mail Code 1201A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20460.

Sincerely,



Helena Wooden-Aguilar
Acting Deputy Director
Office of Civil Rights

Enclosures

cc: Kenneth Redden, Acting Associate General Counsel
Civil Rights and Finance Law Office (MC 2399A)

Alexis Strauss, Deputy Civil Rights Official
EPA Region 9

Gina Edwards, EEO Official
EPA Region 9

Return Receipt Requested

Certified Mail#: 7004-1160-0002-3622-9049

In Reply Refer to:

EPA File No.: 08R-14-R9

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Re: Notification of Receipt of Administrative Complaint

Dear **(b) (6) Privacy**

This letter is to acknowledge the additional information you provided to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Civil Rights (OCR), regarding your letter of administrative complaint that we received from you on June 7, 2014.

On August 8, 2014, you spoke by telephone to Katsumi Keeler of the OCR staff and advised him that the Notification of Receipt of Administrative Complaint letter that you received from the OCR was in error in that the violation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was actually occurring in the city of Los Angeles and not in the city of Irvine.

On August 11, 2014, you again spoke with Mr. Keeler and reiterated your request to have the Notification of Administrative Complaint letter corrected. You also stated to him that the letter failed to state that your complaint was also against Shell Oil Company.

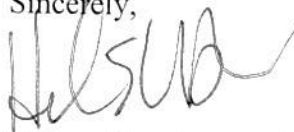
On August 20, 2014, you spoke with Jonathan Stein of the OCR staff and advised him of the same information that you had noted to Mr. Keeler.

By this letter, we acknowledge that your complaint is against the County of Los Angeles, the City of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Review Board, the Los Angeles Unified School District, and Shell Oil Company. We also acknowledge that the alleged site of the violation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 is in the city of Los Angeles and not in the city of Irvine.

We will incorporate this additional information in our review of the complaint and determine whether the complaint will be accepted, rejected, or referred to another Federal agency (40 C.F.R. § 7.120(d)(1)). Once this review is complete, the OCR will notify you about its decision.

In the interim, if you have any questions about the status of this complaint, please contact Brittany Martinez at (202) 564-0727, via email at Martinez.brittany@epa.gov, or via mail at U.S. EPA, Office of Civil Rights, (Mail Code 1201A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460.

Sincerely,



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Acting Deputy Director
Office of Civil Rights

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1331 Pennsylvania Ave, NW • Suite 1150 • Washington, DC 20425 www.usccr.gov

May 28, 2014

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Irvine, CA 92614

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The Commission was established to conduct studies, hold hearings, issue reports, and serve as a national clearinghouse for civil rights information. As such, the Commission has no authority to provide direct remedial assistance or offer an opinion as to the soundness of individual allegations.

In order to be helpful, we have forwarded your complaint to:

US Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Civil Rights
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Room 1201A
Washington, DC 20460
1 800 424-9346

This agency is authorized to help resolve the problem you described. We have requested that the agency notify you in writing concerning all actions taken to resolve your complaint. Should you need to communicate further concerning this matter, please contact the above agency directly.

Sincerely,

J. Brachs
Marlene Sallo *MS*
Staff Director



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Marlene Sallo
Staff Director



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Marlene Sallo
Staff Director



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
BILL LOCKYER
ATTORNEY GENERAL

September 11, 2003

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Re: Underground Storage Tanks Located Near Griffith Joyner and Grape Street Schools

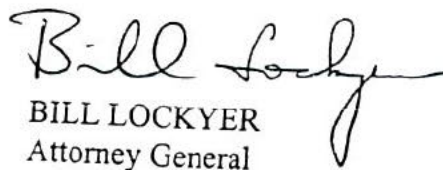
Dear (b) (6) Privacy

Thank you for your letter dated August 3, 2003. I share your concerns about the problems caused by old underground storage tanks near the Griffith Joyner School site and the Grape Street school site. My office has contacted the California Regional Water Quality Control Board for the Los Angeles region and the schools division in the Department of Toxic Substances Control. In addition to the prior evaluation by the California Department of Health Services on the site near the Joyner School, I am informed that both the Regional Board and the Department of Toxic Substances Control are now conducting their own evaluation of these sites.

As you may know, my office represents the California Department of Health Services as well as the California Regional Water Quality Control Board and the Department of Toxic Substances Control in their efforts to clean up underground storage sites. We will continue to assist our clients to address the problems on these sites.

Thank you again for your letter and for bringing these important concerns to my attention.

Sincerely,


BILL LOCKYER
Attorney General



Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor
Terry Tamminen, Secretary
California Environmental Protection Agency

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Los Angeles Region
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013
Phone: (213) 576-6600
Fax: (213) 576-6640
www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb4

Department of Toxic Substances Control
1011 North Grandview Avenue
Glendale, CA 91201
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December 3, 2003

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(b)(6) Privacy STREET PROPERTY NEAR GRIFFITH-JOYNER ELEMENTARY, 1963 E. 103RD
STREET AND GRAPE STREET SCHOOLS, 1940 E. 111TH STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Dear **(b) (6) Privacy**

This letter will serve as a follow up to the letters sent to you on September 19, 2003 from the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (LARWQCB) and on October 15, 2003 from the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC).

As you will observe from the attached letter to Mr. Curtis Fralin, dated December 1, 2003, DTSC is requiring further information and investigation from the owner of the subject property as to whether hazardous substances have been or may be released at the **(b)(6) Privacy** Street site and whether they pose a threat to public health or the environment.

As noted in its September 19th letter to you, the Regional Board advised you that you may contact Captain Frank Comfort of the Los Angeles City Fire Department regarding the removal and maintenance of underground storage tanks and results of soil assessment at the former gasoline station site. His number is (213) 978-3709 (please note this is a new number).

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Yue Rong of LARWQCB at 213-576-6710 or Mr. Robert Krug of DTSC at 818-551-2866.

Sincerely,

David A. Bacharowski

David A. Bacharowski
Assistant Executive Officer
California Regional Water Quality
Control Board
Los Angeles Region

Sayareh Amir

Sayareh Amir,
Chief
Southern California Cleanup
Operations Branch - Glendale Office
Department of Toxic Substances Control

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December 3, 2003

cc: Robert Sams, Office of Chief Counsel, SWRCB
✓ Yue Rong, LARWQCB
Bob Krug, Department of Toxic Substances Control (Glendale)
Captain Frank Comfort, City of Los Angeles Fire Department
Richard Magasin, California Attorney General Office
Brian Hembacher, California Attorney General Office



United States Department of the Interior
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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www.ca.blm.gov

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In Reply Refer To:
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CA-941

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Dear **(b) (6) Privacy**

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request faxed to this office January 13, 2003, for information about underground storage tanks along Imperial Highway and Alameda that may have been sold to Los Angeles Unified School District. In a phone message later that day you advised that the land in question was located at 111th and Wilmington. Your letter mentions that the Corps of Engineers may have maps of the property.

From the information you presented, we believe we have no records related to the underground storage tanks that would be responsive to your request. In all likelihood we have no records of this property more recent than the original patent issued by the United States. It is the county that keeps track of land ownership - for property tax purposes - after land has left Federal ownership. You should be able to trace changes in ownership of the land by reviewing the records of the County Recorder for Los Angeles County. A former owner may have information about the tanks. If you believe the Corps has information about the tanks, you may wish to contact them directly.

You can purchase a copy of the patent for this property issued by the United States or records of our survey that is the basis for that patent by contacting our Information Access Center staff at (916) 978-4401. The county parcel number or street address will not be sufficient for the IAC to identify the precise patent. They will need the legal description for the property: meridian, township, range, section, and legal subdivision. If the tanks are located on an old Mexican rancho, we can find the patent if you provide just the name of the rancho to the IAC staff. Such descriptions can usually be found on county parcel maps or topographic maps produced by the U.S.G.S.

If you believe our response to be a denial of your request, you have the right to appeal this response to your request by writing to the Freedom of Information Act Appeals Officer, Office of Information Resources Management (OIRM), U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, N.W., MS-5312, MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. The appeal must be received no later than 30 workdays after the date of the initial denial and shall be initiated by filing a written notice of appeal. This notice shall be accompanied by copies of the original request and denial, and in order to expedite the appellate process and give you an opportunity to present your opinion, should contain a brief statement of the reasons why you believe this denial to be in error. Both the envelope containing your notice of appeal and the face of the appeal letter should bear the words "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL."

If you have any questions for this office related to your FOIA request, please contact Larry Weitzel at (916) 978-4409.

Sincerely,



Mike Pool
for State Director



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Washington, D.C. 20240

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Dear: (b) (6) Privacy

This is in response to your February 20, 2003, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request in which you stated the following:

“ I am trying to find out if the federal government disclosed underground storage tanks when they sold property to City of Los Angeles and Los Angeles Unified School District. The property of located at 1949 East 111 Street.”

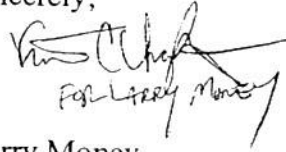
The Bureau of Land Management has a decentralized FOIA program, which means that each Bureau installation is responsible for responding to FOIA requests for documents under its control. Under the FOIA BLM is not required to answer questions, however to the extent that you are seeking records, in accordance with the Department of the Interior regulation (43 CFR § 2.22(a)(1), we have referred your request to the BLM California State Office for a direct reply to you. You may have already received a response from the office below:

Lawrence Weitzel
FOIA Coordinator
Federal Building
2800 Cottage Way /W-1834
Sacramento, CA 95825-0451

Phone: (916) 978-4409
Fax: (916) 978-4416

If you have any questions about this response, please contact Amy Edwards on (202) 452-5086 or Vince Chapman on (202) 452-5039.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry Money". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "L" and "M".

Larry Money
Group Manager
IRM Policy and Records Group

December 4, 2017

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Public Health

850 Marina Bay Parkway

Building (P) 3th Floor

Richmond, CA. 94804

Attn: Dr. Valerie Charlton

Dear Dr. Charlton,

It is my understanding that there Yellow and Brown color water in some of the schools in Watts also in the community Jordan Down Housing Project. LAUSD have try to solve the problem by flushing the water each day. This would be hard to do. //ANOTHER FLINTS, MICHIGAN//

Please ask LAUSD how long have they been doing this /FLUSHING!!!/ (1980 ??)

- A. Have LAUSD test employee for lead in their blood
- B. Have LAUSD test students for lead in their blood
- C. Have LAUSD told parents about this problem
- D. Have LAUSD ask retire teachers who work in Watts about lead in their blood
- E. How many people die from cancer at each schools

GROUNDWATER RESTORATION:

DOD require establishment of such advisory board when (1) installation closure involves the transfer of Property to the community; (2) at least 50 citizen petition for an advisory board; (3) the federal, state, local government requests formation of an advisory; (4) the installation determines the need for an advisory board.

City of Los Angeles selling house where nothing would grow then putting plants in pails to grow.

The U.S. Department of the Interior fail to give information about Grape Street School 111th
and Wilmington. (See letter Jan. 27, 2003.)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Formal remedy for groundwater contamination
- B. Federal and state environmental regulations and guidelines for cleaning up contamination sites.
- C. Community involved in the decision making
- D. Access to data concerning the contamination
- E. Technical advice

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California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region



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Alan C. Lloyd, Ph.D.
Agency Secretary

320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200, Los Angeles, California 90013
Phone (213) 576-6600 FAX (213) 576-6640 - Internet Address: <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles>

Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor

July 20, 2005

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- (1) **(b)(6) Privacy** STREET PROPERTY NEAR GRIFFITH-JOYNER ELEMENTARY,
1963 E. 103RD STREET
(2) GRAPE STREET SCHOOL, 1940 E. 111TH STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Dear **(b) (6) Privacy**

This letter serves as a follow-up to your phone message to me on June 10, 2005, and a subsequent return call from my staff on my behalf on July 14, 2005. In the July 14, 2005 call to you, my staff offered you an opportunity to meet with you in person to address the issues you may have. You indicated that you are not interested in such a meeting. We understand that your issues are related to the above-referenced two properties. We have looked into the issues related to these two sites and reviewed our records again regarding these two sites. The following is our response.

On September 19, 2003, the Executive Officer of the Regional Board sent you a letter (copy enclosed) indicating that the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) has concluded there is no health risk to students at the Griffith-Joyner Elementary School (see letter dated June 15, 2000 (copy enclosed), by Yi Hwa Kim), the conclusion of which was supported by the California Department of Health Services in the letter dated July 30, 2000, by Dr. Marilyn Underwood (copy enclosed).

On December 3, 2003, the Regional Board and the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) jointly sent you a letter (copy enclosed) advising you that you may contact Captain Frank Comfort of the City of Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) regarding the removal and maintenance of underground storage tanks (USTs).

During 2004, Regional Board staff worked with LAFD staff and identified a possible UST at the Grape Street School site. Staff indicated to you that the LAFD has the jurisdiction over the UST site. You may contact the LAFD for this matter at the below address and phone.

Captain Frank Comfort
Los Angeles City Fire Department
200 North Main Street
City Hall East, Room 400
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 482-6536.

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July 20, 2005

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Steve Cain at 213-576-6694.

Sincerely,



Jonathan S. Bishop
Executive Officer

cc: Stephen Cain, LARWQCB
Yue Rong, LARWQCB
Bob Krug, Department of Toxic Substances Control (Glendale)
Captain Frank Comfort, City of Los Angeles Fire Department

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Phone (213) 576-6600 FAX (213) 576-6640 - Internet Address: <http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb4>



Gray Davis
Governor

September 19, 2003

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UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS PROGRAM

(b)(6) Privacy STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Dear **(b) (6) Privacy**

We have received your facsimile letter and package dated September 7, 2003, regarding your concerns on potential adverse impacts of the above addressed site on the Florence Griffin Joyner School. Regional Board staff have checked the State Geotracker database and determined that this case is not under the jurisdiction of the Regional Board. You may contact the Los Angeles City Fire Department for underground storage tank information pertaining to this site at the address and phone number listed below:

Captain Frank Comfort
Los Angeles City Fire Department
200 North Main Street
City Hall East, Room 400
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 485-7543.

Any contaminated site related to a school, in this case the Los Angeles Unified School District, is regulated under the authority of the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC). You can obtain additional information by contacting DTSC at the address and phone number listed below:

Ms. Jeanie Garcia
Department of Toxic Substances Control
1011 North Grandview Avenue
Glendale, CA 91201.
(818) 551-2800

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September 19, 2003

Our staff have also reviewed the information provided in your package, and find that you have contacted a number of governmental agencies at local, state, and federal levels. These agencies you have contacted have all responded to your concerns. Particularly, the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) has concluded there is no health risk to students (see letter dated June 15, 2000, by Yi Hwa Kim). Furthermore, the California Department of Health Services has independently studied the case in detail and also concurred with the findings of LAUSD, namely, the subject site does not pose a human health risk to the school (see letter dated July 30, 2000, by Dr. Marilyn Underwood).

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. David Bacharowski at (213) 576-6607 or Dr. Yue Rong at (213) 576-6710.

Sincerely,



Dennis Dickerson
Executive Officer

cc: Jeanie Garcia, Department of Toxic Substances Control
Captain Frank Comfort, City of Los Angeles Fire Department
Yi Hwa Kim, LAUSD

(b)(6) Privacy

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 9
75 Hawthorne Street (WST-8)
San Francisco, CA 94105

November 16, 2005

(b) (6) Privacy

Subject: Possible Underground Storage Tanks at Grape Street Elementary School

Dear (b) (6) Privacy

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the possible existence of underground storage tanks at Grape Street Elementary School, located at 1949 E 111th Street in Los Angeles. I have looked into this matter and Inspector Monty Buckner of the Los Angeles Fire Department is currently leading the investigation and site assessment of the school. Any information you have that may be helpful in this ongoing investigation should be communicated to the LAFD. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (415) 947-4179.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric J. Magnan".

Eric J. Magnan, Environmental Engineer
Underground Storage Tanks Program Office

cc: Monty Buckner, Inspector, Los Angeles Fire Department

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September 17, 2011

(b) (6) Privacy

Irvine, CA. 92614

(b) (6) Privacy

CAL-OSHA
320 West 4th Street
Los Angeles, CA. 90013
Attn: Director

Dear Director,

RE: Toxic release and abandoned underground Tank on School Site in Watts (Grape Street) (on Old Federal Land). Student dies from cancer! Students with Tumor & Leukemia!

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Los Angeles Unified School District

Office of Environmental Health and Safety

JOHN E. DEASY, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools

ENRIQUE G. BOULLT
Interim Chief Operating Officer

JOHN STERRITT
Director, Environmental Health and Safety

September 8, 2011

(b) (6) Privacy

Irvine, California 92614

RE: ABANDONED UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

Dear (b) (6) Privacy

In response to your August 7, 2011 letter to Superintendent Deasy which addresses the disposition of former underground storage tanks located at the intersection of (b)(6) Privacy Avenue as well as allegations of student and staff exposures associated with underground storage tanks (USTs) located beneath the District's Grape Street School, the following is provided.

As you are aware, the District consulted with the California Department of Health Services (CDHS) regarding potential exposures to students and staff from subsurface contamination associated with the operation of a former gasoline service station neighboring Florence Griffith-Joyner School. As reported by CDHS, the "subsurface soil is not accessible to direct contact and would not pose a health hazard even if it were incidentally ingested on a consistent basis. Nor does the site pose a health hazard to the nearby school from fugitive emissions." Based upon this determination, the District is assured that the site of the former service station does not pose an actual or potential endangerment to our students and staff.

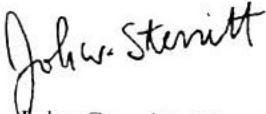
To address concerns regarding the presence of an underground storage tank (UST) and associated subsurface contamination at Grape Street School, the District contracted with Miller Brooks Environmental, Inc. (Miller Brooks) to locate, excavate and dispose of a fuel oil UST.¹ Their investigation, which utilized both ground penetrating radar and localized excavation techniques, did not reveal the presence of a UST. At the request of the Los Angeles Fire Department, confirmation soil samples were collected from the base of the excavations and analyzed for petroleum hydrocarbons and volatile organic compounds (VOCs). Results of the laboratory analysis did not reveal the presence of petroleum hydrocarbons or VOCs. Based upon these findings, Miller Brooks concluded that the tank had been removed during redevelopment of the site during the 1960's and no further action is warranted at this time.

¹ Miller Brooks Environmental, Inc., May 4, 2006. Underground Storage Tank Report. Grape Street Elementary School, 1940 111th Street, Los Angeles, California 90065.

September 8, 2011

I thank you for your consideration and trust the District has addressed your concerns. Please contact Mr. Patrick Schanen at (213) 241-3921 should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,



John Sterritt, Director
Office of Environmental Health and Safety

c: John E. Deasy
Michelle King
Enrique Boull't
Kelly Schmader
Neil Gamble
George Evans



UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

624 NINTH STREET, NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20425

www.usccr.gov

August 8, 2011

(b) (6) Privacy

Irvine, CA 92614

Dear (b) (6) Privacy

The Commission on Civil Rights recently received your correspondence.

The Commission was created by Congress to conduct studies, hold hearings, issue reports, and serve as a national clearinghouse for civil rights information. As such, the Commission has no authority to provide direct remedial assistance, or offer an opinion as to the soundness of individual allegations.

We assist the many people who write to us alleging discrimination on the basis of race, sex, age, disability, national origin or religion by forwarding their complaints to the appropriate civil rights enforcement agency. After carefully reviewing your correspondence, we find that it does not contain allegations that may be forwarded to an enforcement agency. We are therefore returning your correspondence and regret that we cannot assist you further.

Please do not hesitate to contact us in the future should you require a referral on another matter.

Sincerely,

Margaret Butler
Margaret Butler
Acting Assistant Staff Director
Office of Civil Rights Evaluation

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July 22, 2011

(b) (6) Privacy

Irvine, CA. 92614

(b) (6) Privacy

United States Civil Rights Commission
624 9th Street NW.
Washington, D.C. 20425
Attn: Commissioner Morton Castro

Dear Commissioner Castro,

RE: Toxic release and abandoned underground Tank on School Site in Watts (Grape Street) (on Old Federal Land). Student dies from cancer! Students with Tumor & Leukemia!

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Any help in this matter would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,

(b) (6) Privacy

April 24, 2011

(b) (6) Privacy

Irvine, CA. 92614

(b) (6) Privacy

Mr. Michael Kruley
Region Mgt.
Office of Civil Right
U.S. Department of Health & Human Service
90 7th Street #4-100
San Francisco, CA. 94103

Dear Mr. Kruley,

RE: Toxic release and abandoned underground Tank on School Site in Watts (Grape Street) (On Old Federal Land). Student dies from cancer! Students with Tumor & Leukemia!
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Office for Civil Rights, Region IX
90 7th Street, Suite 4-100
San Francisco, CA 94103

July 19, 2011

(b) (6) Privacy

Irvine, California 92614

Transaction Number: 11-128015

Dear (b) (6) Privacy

Thank you for your complaint received on May 24, 2011, by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office for Civil Rights (OCR). We have also received your telephone messages inquiring about the status of your complaint.

OCR enforces the Privacy and Security Rules, and also enforces Federal civil rights laws which prohibit discrimination in the delivery of health and human services because of race, color, national origin, disability, age, and under certain circumstances, sex and religion.

In your complaint, you state that a toxic underground tank over a school site and that several individuals have become ill because of this. Unfortunately, your concerns are not covered by the regulations enforced by this office. We do not have jurisdiction over environmental concerns. For this reason, we are unable to accept your complaint for investigation. We have closed this case and we will take no further action. If this issue remains unresolved, you may want to contact the Environmental Protection Agency for review and possible assistance.

Under the Freedom of Information Act, it may be necessary to release this document and related correspondence and records upon request. In the event OCR receives such a request, we will seek to protect, to the extent provided by law, personal information which, if released, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy.

Because of the volume of complaints filed with this office, we were unable to respond to your complaint at an earlier date. Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention and we regret that we are unable to assist you.

Sincerely,

Michael F. Kruley

Michael F. Kruley
Regional Manager

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Please read Mr. Michael F. Kruley letter to me!!!

1. "He state that a toxic underground tank over a school site and that several individual have become ill because of this."

My letter state: " Toxic release and abandoned underground Tank on School Site in Watts. Students dies from cancer! Students with Tumor and Leukemia

**2. Prohibition against Intimidation!!
Stating that he would give up information I gave him.**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Right to File a Separate Court Action

The complainant may have the right to file suit in Federal court, regardless of OCR's findings. OCR does not represent the complainant in case processing, so if the complainant wishes to file a court action, he or she must do so through his or her own attorney or on his or her own through the court's pro se clerk's office.

If a complainant alleges discrimination prohibited by the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, a civil action in Federal court can be filed only after the complainant has exhausted administrative remedies. Administrative remedies are exhausted when either of the following has occurred:

- 1) 180 days have elapsed since the complainant filed the complaint with OCR and OCR has made no finding; or
- 2) OCR issues a finding in favor of the recipient. If this occurs, OCR will promptly notify the complainant and will provide additional information about the right to file for injunctive relief.

Prohibition against Intimidation or Retaliation

An institution under the jurisdiction of the Department of Education may not intimidate, threaten, coerce, or retaliate against anyone who asserts a right protected by the civil rights laws that OCR enforces, or who cooperates in an investigation. Anyone who believes that he or she has been intimidated or retaliated against should file a complaint with OCR.

Investigatory Use of Personal Information

In order to investigate a complaint, OCR may need to collect and analyze personal information such as student records or employment records. No law requires anyone to give personal information to OCR and no formal sanctions will be imposed on complainants or other persons who do not cooperate in providing information during the complaint investigation or resolution process. However, if OCR is unable to obtain the information necessary to investigate a complaint, we may have to close the complaint.

The Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a, and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, govern the use of personal information that is submitted to all Federal agencies and their individual components, including OCR. The Privacy Act of 1974 protects individuals from the misuse of personal information held by the Federal government. It applies to records that are maintained by the government that are retrieved by the individual's name, social security number, or other personal identifier. It regulates the collection, maintenance, use and dissemination of certain personal information in the files of Federal agencies.

Mr. Michael Kruley
Region Mgt.
Office of Civil Right
U.S. Department of Health & Human Service
90 7thStreet #4-100
San Francisco, CA. 94103

Discrimination Complaint Form/ FILE NO:11-128015

1. Name: (b) (6) Privacy
Address: (b) (6) Privacy
City & State: Irvine, CA. Zip Code: 92614
Phone: (b) (6) Privacy
2. Who was discriminated against? Black peoples and Brown peoples working and going to schools at the following: Grape School, Griffith Joyner School, the Church right next to the Toxic lot and the Apartment building right next to the Toxic lot. /// SCHOOLS NEAR TOXIC VS SCHOOLS NEAR NON-TOXIC///
Please circle the appropriate basis of the alleged discrimination.
Race
3. Who do you allege discriminated against you or the injured party?
 1. Federal Government
 2. Los Angeles City Government / Fire Department
 3. Owner of the Property
 4. Shell Oil
 5. Los Angeles Unified School District
4. Have you filed this complaint with any other Federal, State, or Local Agency or any Federal or State Court or administrative tribunal?
Wrote letters to Federal, State, and Local Agency...
5. Have you pursued resolution of your complaint through the internal grievance or due process procedures at your institution??
NO
6. Describe the alleged discrimination, the dates the discriminatory action(s) occurred; name(s) of individual(s) who discriminated; witnesses (if any); an why you believe the discrimination was because or race, gender, disability, or whatever basis you indicated above, or why you believe the action was retaliatory and provide the factual bases for your belief that discrimination has occurred...

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Chief Justice Warren Burger wrote: "A core purpose of the Fourteenth Amendment was to do away with all governmentally imposed discrimination based on race. Classifying person according to their race is more likely racial prejudice than legitimate public concerns."

"If a private party and a state engage in joint activity that results in the deprivation of another's constitutional rights, the activity of the private party may be deemed state action, thus subjecting the otherwise private actor to the same restrictions and remedies under the Fourteenth Amendment as are applicable against the state."

"The first involves concerted or conspiratorial activity between a state actor and a private actor directed toward depriving another individual of his or her constitutional rights. The second involves the creation of a mutually beneficial relationship between a state and a private actor in which the private actor takes action that would violate the Fourteenth Amendment if under taken by the state."

"Private action may also be treated as state action if a state and a private party enter in mutually beneficial or "symbiotic relationship" within which the private party takes action that would violate the Fourteenth Amendment if undertaken by the state."

"If a law denies the right to everyone, then due process would be the best grounds for analysis; but if a law denies a right to some, while allowing it to other, the discrimination can be challenged as offending equal protection or the violation of the right can be objected under due process."

"No right to limit procedures: The answer is "no." Even where the legislature creates the property or liberty interest in question, *it is not free to establish procedures for terminating that right* - - "(Property) cannot be defined by the procedures provided for its deprivation any more than can life or liberty. The right to due process (is confessed, no by legislative grace, by constitutional guarantee.' ...[O]nce it is determined that the Due Process Clause applies, 'the question remains what process is due'... The answer to that question is not to be found in the ...statute ([creating the property right.])"

"Process required: If a person's interest in property or liberty is being impaired, then she is entitled to due process."

"Federal government: Nothing in the Constitution explicitly required that the federal government provide equal protection of the laws. But where the federal government makes a classification which, if it were by a state, would violate the Fourteenth Amendment's Equal Protection Clause, the Court has treated this as a violation of the Fifth Amendment's Due Process Clause (a clause which is of course, directly application to the federal government)."

"What the Clause guarantees: Equal Protection Clause, at bottom, guarantees two things: (1.) that people who are similarly situated will be treated similarly; and (2.) that people who are not similarly situated will not be treated similarly. "

"There cannot be a procedural due process problem unless government is taking a person's life, liberty or property. The government can't take "liberty or property" without procedural due process."

"Has the government by carrying out this taking violated the individual's substantive interest in life, liberty, or property?"

"14th Amendment three major rights: 1. the right to due process 2. the right to equal protection; and 3. the right to the privileges and immunities of national citizenship."

**Private Party/ Property Owner / Leaser Shell Oil / State/ Los Angeles City
Government Fire Department / Los Angeles Unified School District / Federal
Government /**

7. Please submit any written materials, data, or others documents you think are relevant to your complaint. Do not submit your original documents. Please be aware that OCR procedures require all complaints to be signed. Before we can complete the initial process of your complaint, we need your signed consent form. Please return your signed consent form with your complaint.

(b) (6) Privacy

7/20/2011
DATE

From: Roger Kintz
To: Pansy Yuen; Yue Rong
CC: Hugh Marley; Pat.schanen@lausd.net; Roberto Kou
Date: 9/20/2011 5:04 PM
Subject: Fwd: Re: Complaint status for LAUSD Grape Street School located at (b)(6) Privacy Ave, LA
Attachments: DHS letter 7-2000.pdf; Roger Kintz1.vcf

Hi Pansy,

I am following up on a complaint filed by (b)(6) Privacy concerning (b)(6) Privacy (b)(6) Privacy Avenue, LA 90002. According to (b)(6) Privacy and a letter from Marilyn C. Underwood, Staff Toxicologist for the Department of Health Services, dated July 30, 2000, there remains concerns about the former gas station property and health hazards to neighboring residences and a church from potential volatile organic chemicals from the subsurface soils. At the request of LAUSD, a review of the Site phase I,II reports and potential health risks was performed by the Department of Health Services, Environmental Health Investigations Branch in 2000. It was recommended by the Environmental Health Investigations Branch of the Department of Health Services that the appropriate agency conduct further site characterization investigation of the former underground storage tank site.

Since I am recently assigned to this complaint, I have the following questions regarding (b)(6) Privacy complaint.

1. Is the Regional Board the appropriate agency that has jurisdiction concerning the former UST site, and for review of the issues concerning the former gas station location?
2. Is the Regional Board the appropriate agency that has jurisdiction concerning any impact from the former UST site to neighboring residences and the church?
3. Does the Regional Board have any additional information concerning the results of any site characterization other than the Phase I, II reports submitted on behalf of LAUSD?

According to Mr. Pat Schanen, of LAUSD, The school district has investigated all issues relating to the LAUSD properties and is not planning on conducting any further action at this time. Also, LAUSD is deferring to the appropriate agency for any additional issues concerning the neighboring properties.

Any information concerning the above issues would be helpful.
Thank you,

Roger Kintz

Roger Kintz, SHSS
Enforcement and Emergency Response Program
Department of Toxic Substances Control
9211 Oakdale Ave, Chatsworth CA 91311
Phone: 818-717-6655
Fax: 818-717-6630
Cell: 818-983-7334

>>> Yue Rong <YRONG@waterboards.ca.gov> 9/9/2011 11:15 AM >>>
Pansy,

Please see the attached file. That is all we have.

>>> Pansy Yuen 9/8/2011 1:45 PM >>>
Hi YR,

Roger from DTSC is looking for any information we may have on the following addresses that were previously a gas station. I looked in Geotracker but I couldn't find any information on these addresses. Do you know if we have any file on these sites below? The addresses are as follows:

- 1) (b)(6) Privacy Ave, LA
 - 2) Grape Street School is located at 1940 East 111TH St, Los Angeles, CA 90059
 - 3) Florence Griffith Joyner Elementary is located at 1963 E. 103rd St., Los Angeles, CA 90002
- Thanks,

Pansy

>>> Roger Kintz <RKintz@dtsc.ca.gov> 9/8/2011 11:37 AM >>>
Hi Pansy,

Yes, (b)(6) Privacy is requesting a progress report on the Grape and Joyner Schools. According to a DHS letter, dated August 28, 2000, addressing concerns about a former gas station located adjacent to nearby residences and a church that may pose a risk as a former UST site.

Any updates and information would be helpfu.

Thanks,

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>>> Pansy Yuen <pyuen@waterboards.ca.gov> 9/8/2011 9:22 AM >>>
Hi Roger,

Is (b)(6) Privacy requesting information about the vacant land located at (b)(6) Privacy Ave. or is he requesting information at all 3 sites? Grape Street School is located at 1940 East 111TH St, Los Angeles, CA 90059 and Florence Griffith Joyner Elementary is located at 1963 E. 103rd St., Los Angeles, CA 90002. (b)(6) Privacy Ave. is located between the two schools. Did (b)(6) Privacy indicated why he believes there are potential remaining soil contamination at (b)(6) Privacy Ave. or at the schools?

Thanks,

Pansy

Pansy Yuen
California Environmental Protection Agency
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013-2343

Office: (213) 620-6367
Fax: (213) 576-1323
Email: pyuen@waterboards.ca.gov

>>> Roger Kintz <RKintz@dtsc.ca.gov> 9/6/2011 3:38 PM >>>
Hi,

I am currently assigned the complaint referred to us by (b)(6) Privacy concerning the potential remaining soil contamination at Grape Street School and Griffith- Joyner

Elementary. Complainant is requesting a current status update.

Thank you!

I can be reached at 818-717-6655

Roger Kintz, SHSS
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September 21, 2011

(b) (6) Privacy

Irvine, CA. 92614

(b) (6) Privacy

California Environmental Protection Agency
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA. 90013-2343
Attn: Ms. Pansy Yuen

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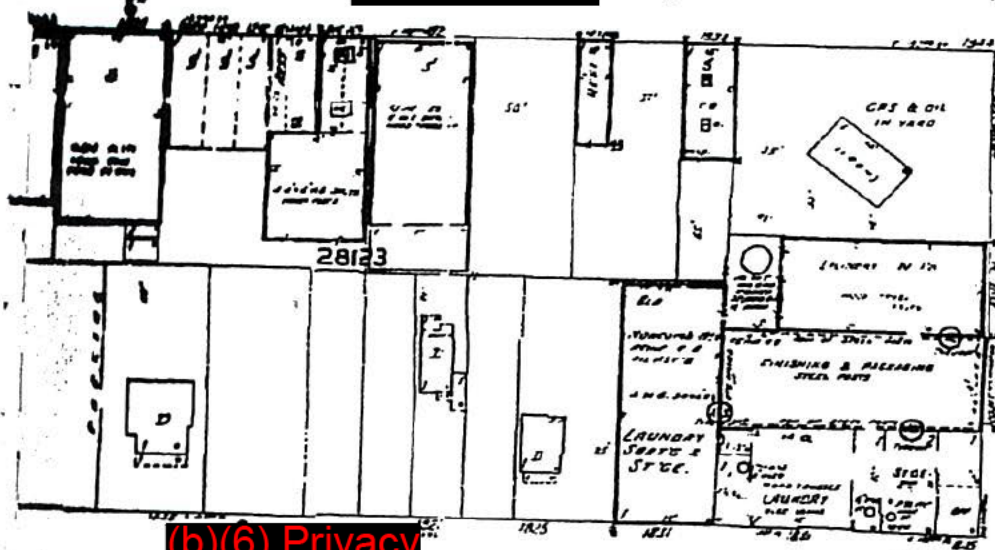
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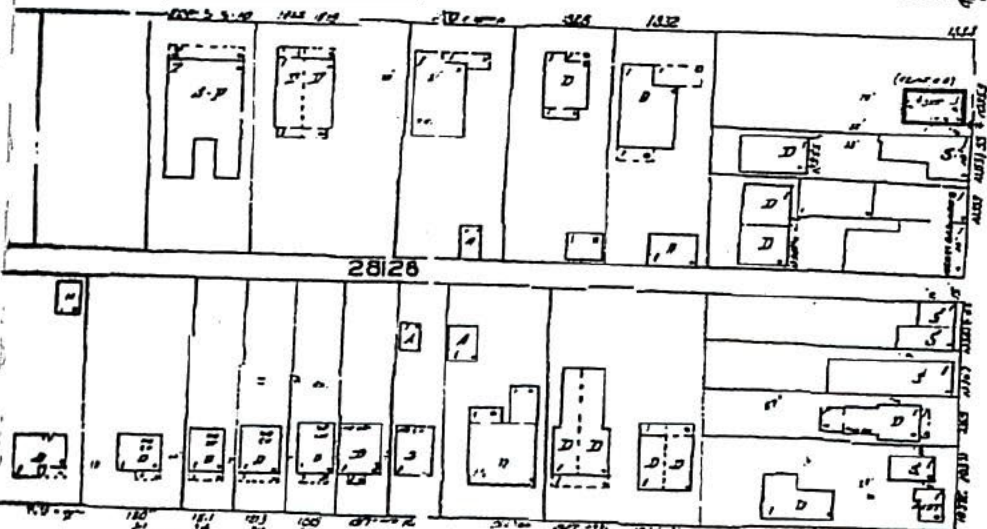
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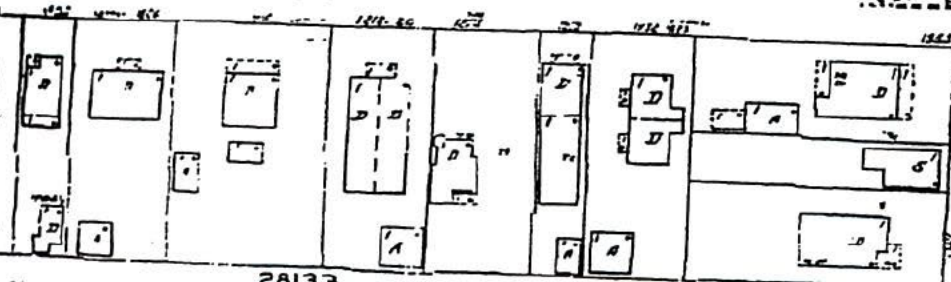
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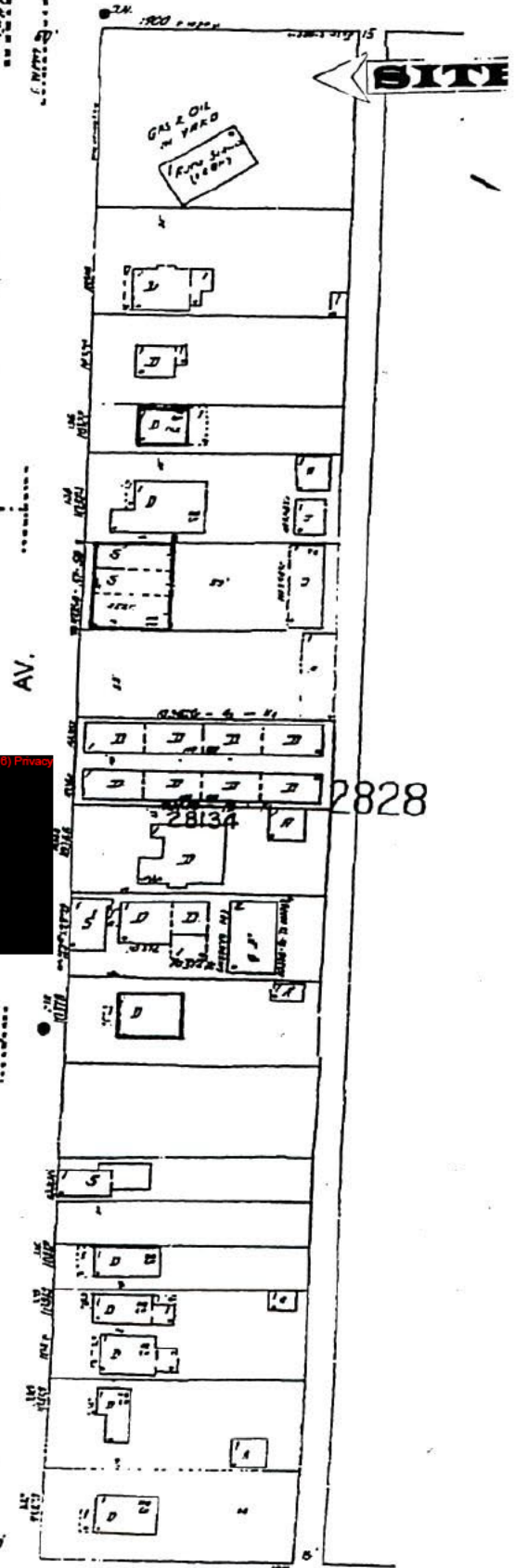
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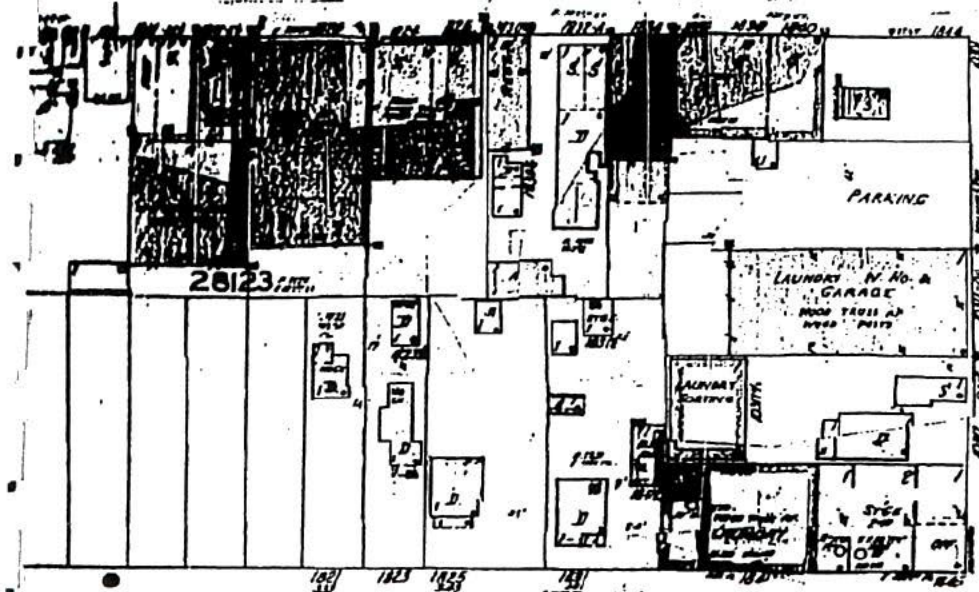




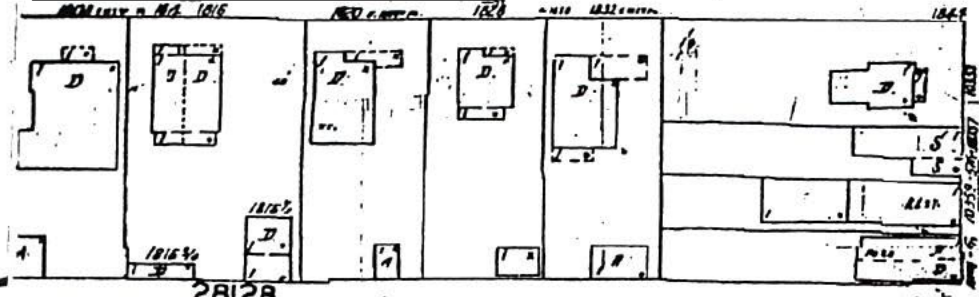
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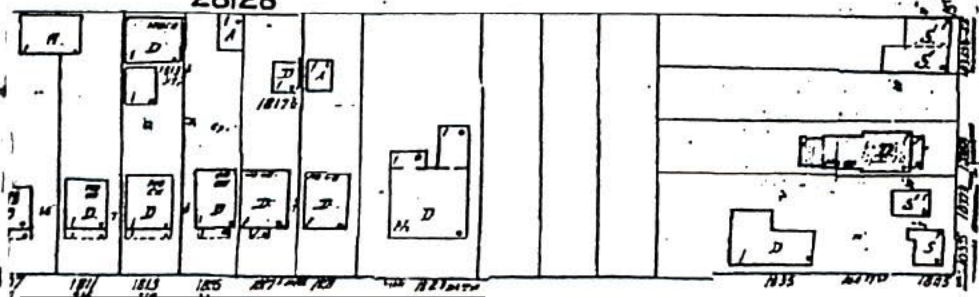
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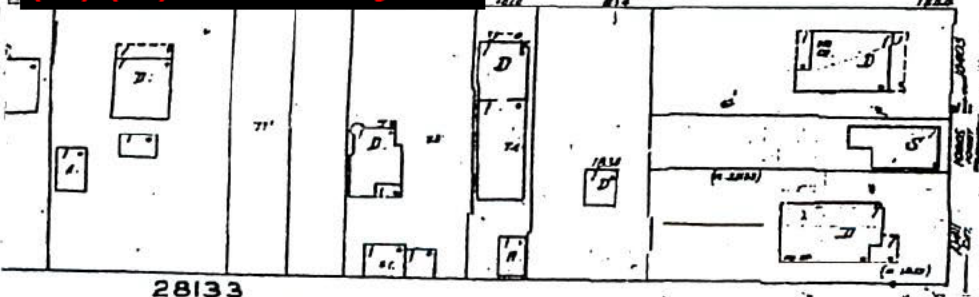
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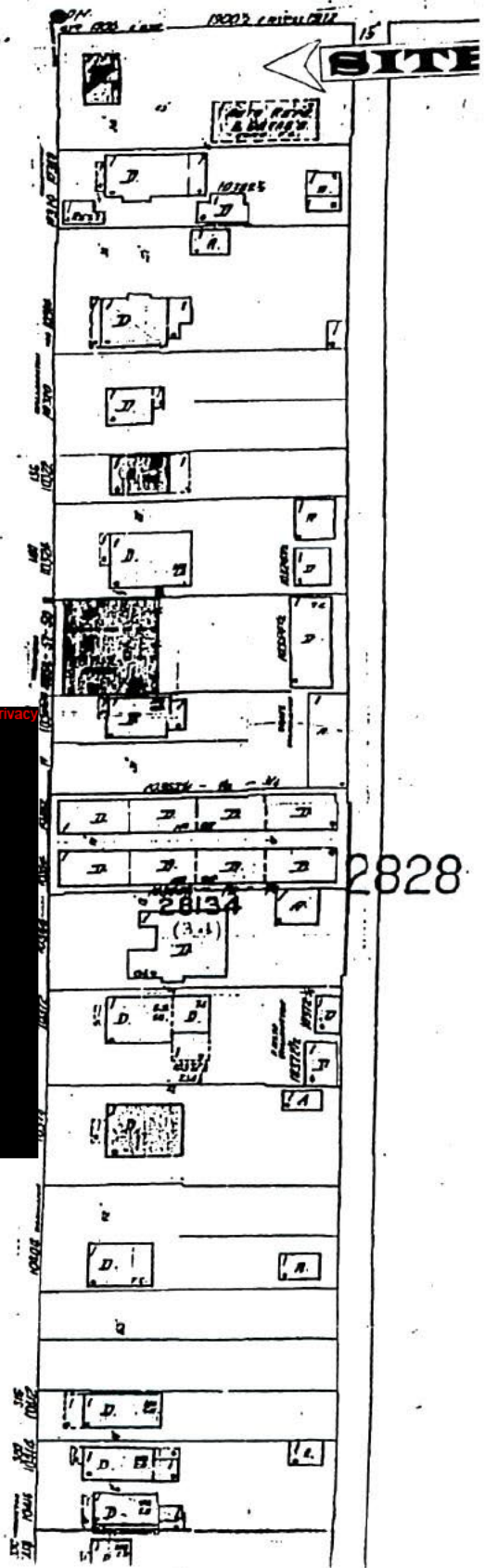


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California has largest number of minorities near hazardous waste

L.A. is tops in the nation with 1.1 million blacks, Asians and Latinos within two miles of toxic facilities, a study finds.

By JANET WILSON
Times Staff Writer

California has the nation's highest concentration of minorities living near hazardous waste facilities, according to a newly released study. Greater Los Angeles tops the nation with 1.2 million people living less than two miles from 17 such facilities, and 91% of them, or 1.1 million, are minorities. Statewide the figure was 81%.

The study, conducted by researchers at four universities for the United Church of Christ, examined census data for neighborhoods adjacent to 413 facilities nationwide that process or store hazardous chemical waste produced by refineries, metal plating shops, drycleaners and battery recyclers, among others.

Though about one-third of U.S. residents are nonwhite, more than half of the people liv-

ing near such facilities were Latino, African American or Asian American, according to the report.

The cause is simple, said Robert Bullard, a sociologist at Clark Atlanta University in Georgia and lead author of the study, which updates a landmark report from two decades ago. "The most potent predictor of where these facilities are sited is not how much income you have; it's race. . . . You don't have many of these facilities in West Los Angeles, and you don't have many minorities in West Los Angeles either. . . . You've got both in Vernon and surrounding neighborhoods."

L.A. ranked first among major urban areas with the most people living near hazardous waste facilities. Oakland and Orange County placed fifth and sixth, respectively, with hazardous sites in Santa Ana and other minority neighborhoods.

The study also found that hazardous waste facilities were often clustered with other potentially dangerous industries, and that the rate of minority residents in areas with multiple hazards was even higher.

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Toxic sites are mostly in low-income areas

[Toxic, from Page B1]

"There's a piling on effect. . . . You get the landfill because you've already got the incinerator, the paint manufacturer, the chemical plant," Bullard said. "These neighborhoods become basically sacrifice zones."

Sue Briggum, vice president of federal public affairs for Waste Management, which operates several of the facilities examined in the study, including a landfill in Kettleman City, Calif., said the hazardous waste industry is heavily regulated for safety and provides an important recycling service.

Briggum, who served on a national environmental justice task force several years ago, acknowledged the problems highlighted by the study. "There's no disputing the facts," she said. But, she added, the industry and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency have done a great deal in recent years to try to reduce emissions, beef up safety and address other concerns in affected neighborhoods.

Although low-income neighborhoods were much more likely to have hazardous waste facilities, some of the areas examined were quite affluent, including one in Seattle that is predominantly Asian, said study coauthor Robin Saha, a sociologist with the University of Montana.

Bullard said the saddest case researchers studied was in rural Dickson County, Tenn., an almost entirely white area in which every industrial waste facility in the 300,000-acre county was built next to a 150-acre farm owned by a black family.

The study took EPA officials to task for failing to implement an executive order by President Clinton requiring that environmental justice issues and the cumulative effects of clustering such facilities in some neighbor-

Neighborhoods near hazardous waste sites

A new report lists 10 California metropolitan areas where residents living less than two miles from hazardous waste facilities were disproportionately minorities.

Percent people of color* living in neighborhoods that are:

Metropolitan area (number of facilities)	Near waste facilities	Not near	Difference
L.A./Long Beach (17)	90.9%	65.8%	25.0%
Fresno (2)	78.4	58.9	19.6
San Jose (2)	77.1	53.6	23.5
Oakland (6)	76.0	49.2	26.7
Riverside/San Bernardino (4)	70.5	52.4	18.2
Orange County (3)	69.8	46.8	23.0
Vallejo/Fairfield/Napa (2)	59.1	45.4	13.7
Stockton/Lodi (1)	58.3	52.4	6.0
San Francisco (2)	55.6	48.6	7.0
Sacramento (1)	41.9	35.7	6.1

* Includes Latinos, African Americans, Asians, Pacific Islanders, Native Americans and other minorities.

Sources: United Church of Christ Justice and Witness Ministries, 2000 census

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hoods be a mandatory part of environmental reviews.

Rep. Hilda Solis (D-El Monte) introduced legislation in February designed to achieve the same goals.

"This legislation is a critical first step to achieving real and lasting justice for minority and low-income communities across this country," Solis said. "Codifying the executive order will empower communities without a voice to join in the fight to protect their health and welfare."

EPA spokeswoman Jennifer Wood said the agency recognizes "that minority and/or low-income communities frequently may be disproportionately and adversely exposed to environmental harms and risks," and that the EPA attempts to address environmental justice concerns in its planning and budgeting.

But Bullard said the EPA's in-

spector general and the U.S. General Accountability Office have chastised the agency for its handling of environmental justice issues. President Bush's 2008 budget recommends a 28% cut in funds for such programs, he said.

The report follows up on issues originally raised in the 1987 study "Toxic Wastes and Race in the United States," which is widely considered to have given birth to the environmental justice movement by linking race and income to elevated levels of environmental and industrial risk.

"We think that we've gotten so far in civil rights and creating a more equal society," coauthor Saha said of the new findings. "But when it comes to the environment, to the most basic things — air and water — we have a long way to go still."

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Schools Within 7/10 of a Mile from a Toxic Release
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Jefferson High School
 John Muir Junior High School
 Lillian Street School
 Main Street School
 Manchester School
 Manhattan Place School
 Mann Junior High School
 Miramonte School
 Mother Of Sorrows School
 Mount Carmel High School
 Nevin Avenue School
 Ninety-Third Street School
 Ninety Second Street School
 Riis High School
 Saint Brigid School
 Saint Columbkilles School
 Saint Eugene School
 Saint Odillas School
 Saint Raphaels School
 Seventy-Fourth Street School
 Seventy-Ninth Street School
 Sixty-Eighth Street School
 Sixty-First Street School
 Sixty-Sixth Street School
 South Park School
 Twentieth Street School
 Western Avenue School

Schools Within 1 Mile from a Toxic Release

Ascot Avenue School
 Budlong Avenue School
 Edison Junior High School
 Eighty-Seventh Street School
 Florence Avenue School
 Forty-Ninth Street School
 Fremont High School
 Graham School
 Hooper Avenue School
 Jefferson High School
 John Muir Junior High School
 Jordan High School
 Lillian Street School
 Main Street School
 Manchester School
 Manhattan Place School
 Mann Junior High School
 Miramonte School
 Mother Of Sorrows School
 Mount Carmel High School
 Nevin Avenue School
 Ninety-Third Street School
 Ninety Second Street School
 One Hundred Second Street School
 Parmelee Avenue School
 Riis High School
 Saint Aloysius School
 Saint Brigid School
 Saint Columbkilles School
 Saint Eugene School

Appendix 2

Distance of Schools From Toxic Releases

Schools Within 1/10 of a Mile from a Toxic Release

Lillian Street School
Twentieth Street School

Schools Within 3/10 of a Mile from a Toxic Release

John Muir Junior High School
Lillian Street School
Ninety Second Street School
Saint Eugene School
Sixty-Sixth Street School
South Park School
Twentieth Street School

Schools Within 1/2 of a Mile from a Toxic Release

Budlong Avenue School
Edison Junior High School
Hooper Avenue School
John Muir Junior High School
Lillian Street School
Mann Junior High School

Schools Within 1/2 of a Mile from a Toxic Release (Continued)

Mother Of Sorrows School
Ninety-Third Street School
Ninety Second Street School
Saint Brigid School
Saint Eugene School
Saint Odilias School
Sixty-Eighth Street School
Sixty-First Street School
Sixty-Sixth Street School
South Park School
Twentieth Street School
Western Avenue School

Schools Within 7/10 of a Mile from a Toxic Release

Budlong Avenue School
Edison Junior High School
Fremont High School
Graham School
Hooper Avenue School

Appendix 2 (continued)
Distance of Schools from Toxic Releases

Schools Within 1 Mile from a Toxic Release
(Continued)

Saint Odillias School
Saint Patrick School
Saint Raphaels School
Seventy-Fifth Street School
Seventy-Fourth Street School
Seventy-Ninth Street School
Sixty-Eighth Street School
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1	TEXTURED COATINGS OF AMERICA, 5950 S. AVALON BLVD., LOS ANGELES	90003TXTRD5950S	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	ETHYLENE GLYCOL		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	ZINC COMPOUNDS		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Total	2					0	

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1	ALLOYS CLEANING INC., 1960 E. GAGE AVE., LOS ANGELES	90001LLYSC1960E	10	10	20	89,588	89,608	20
	CHROMIUM COMPOUNDS (EXCEPT CHROMITE ORE MINED IN THE TRANSVAAL REGION)		0	0	0	255	255	0
	COPPER COMPOUNDS		0	0	0	255	255	0
	HYDROGEN FLUORIDE		5	5	10	0	10	10
	LEAD COMPOUNDS		0	0	0	16	16	0
	NICKEL COMPOUNDS		0	0	0	755	755	0
	NITRATE COMPOUNDS		0	0	0	88,307	88,307	0
	NITRIC ACID		5	5	10	0	10	10
	ZINC COMPOUNDS		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	FABRI COTE, 724 E. 60TH ST., LOS ANGELES	90001FBRCT724E6	0	34,120	34,120	0	34,120	34,120
	TOLUENE		0	34,120	34,120	0	34,120	34,120
3	GENERAL CARBON CO., 7542 MAIE AVE., LOS ANGELES	90001GNRLC7542M	0	0	0	0	0	0
	LEAD		0	0	0	0	0	0
4	LONZA INC., 2031 E. 65TH ST., LOS ANGELES	90255CYCLP1922E	1,899	344	2,243	0	2,243	2,243
	1,2-DICHLOROETHANE		127	8	135	0	135	135
	CYCLOHEXANE		432	56	488	0	488	488
	METHANOL		942	129	1,071	0	1,071	1,071
	SODIUM NITRITE		0	36	36	0	36	36
	THIOUREA		0	5	5	0	5	5
	TOLUENE		398	110	508	0	508	508
5	PERVO PAINT CO., 6624 STANFORD AVE., LOS ANGELES	90001PRVPN6624S	0	0	0	4	4	0
	LEAD COMPOUNDS		0	0	0	4	4	0
	METHANOL		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	METHYL ETHYL KETONE		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Total	19	1,909	34,474	36,383	89,592	125,975	36,383

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EDEY MFG. CO. INC., 2159 E. 92ND ST., LOS ANGELES	90002DYMFG2159E	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
URETHANE		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total	1					0	

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For purposes of analysis, data reported as Range Code A is calculated using a value of 5 pounds, Range Code B is calculated using a value of 250 pounds and Range Code C is calculated using a value of 750 pounds.



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1	CAL METAL X, 366 E, 55TH ST., LOS ANGELES	90011CLFRN366E5	27	9	74	0	74	36
	COPPER		20	4	32	0	32	24
	LEAD		1	0	2	0	2	1
	NICKEL		1	0	9	0	9	1
	ZINC (FUME OR DUST)		5	5	31	0	31	10
2	METAL BRIQUITTING, 5800 SAN PEDRO AVE, LOT 16, LOS ANGELES	90011MTLBR5800S	31	14	45	0	45	45
	COPPER		20	4	24	0	24	24
	LEAD		1	0	1	0	1	1
	NICKEL		5	5	10	0	10	10
	ZINC (FUME OR DUST)		5	5	10	0	10	10
3	STRELITZ CO., 5800 SAN PEDRO AVE, LOT 13-15, LOS ANGELES	90011STRILT5800S	31	14	45	0	45	45
	COPPER		20	4	24	0	24	24
	LEAD		1	0	1	0	1	1
	NICKEL		5	5	10	0	10	10
	ZINC (FUME OR DUST)		5	5	10	0	10	10
	Total	12	89	37	164	0	164	126

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STREET PROPERTY, GRIFFITH JOYNER ELEMENTARY AND
GRAPE STREET SCHOOL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Dear (b) (6) Privacy

On behalf of the Office of the Governor, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received and is responding to your letter dated March 14, 2014. This letter confirms that the California Environmental Protection Agency and other local agencies have responded in several venues to your concerns, since 2000 and more recently in a November 20, 2014 letter. The responses by DTSC and other agencies were investigation, evaluation and determinations that the three areas noted in your letters were identified as not posing a risk to the community or school, based on a human health risk evaluation; that groundwater is not used for drinking water; and that environmental investigations have been taken or are underway, with no indication of imminent or substantial endangerment.

Currently, there are no human health hazards identified at the subject sites based on petroleum releases from underground storage tanks. All three areas have no indication of public health concerns.

DTSC and several State and local agencies have provided you information and responses and continue to do so via phone and correspondence letters.

Some of the State and local agencies (not a complete list) providing responses include:

- Department of Toxic Substances Control (Correspondences dated October, 2013, February 2012 and several Envirositor complaint referrals)
- California Department of Health Services (DHS) (November 2000)
- County of Los Angeles Public Health (November 2015)
- Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) (November 2014)

- Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) (March 2015)
- California Department of Education

Evaluation

In response to your letter dated March 14, 2014 to the Governor's office, DTSC has evaluated the request. The letter requested assistance regarding underground storage tanks and petroleum contamination and potential cancer sources at three locations:

1. Florence Griffith Joyner Elementary School
2. Former Shell Oil Site – (b)(6) Privacy Avenue (adjacent to Florence Griffith Joyner School)
3. Grape Street Elementary School

Summary of Site(s) Concerns and Response

Grape Street Elementary School – Concern: Toxic release and underground storage tanks onsite.

Response: LAUSD conducted a study to determine that no USTs are present at the school using ground penetrating radar and other techniques. Samples collected reveal that there is no soil contamination evident, and that prior tanks onsite were removed in the 1960 timeframe. A comprehensive letter was sent to your attention on Sept. 8, 2011 when the same concern was raised previously.

Florence Griffith Joyner Elementary School – Concern: Cancers attributed to Griffith Joyner site.

Response: LAUSD file reviews revealed no cancers were reported since 2006 to 2014, and a letter was sent to your attention from LAUSD on November 20, 2014. In addition, a health risk assessment was conducted by LAUSD and evaluated by the Department of Health Services revealing no health hazard posed by the subsurface petroleum contamination at the property. The detailed response was provided to you on November 22, 2000 (attached). In addition, the Los Angeles County of Department of Public Health, Toxics Epidemiology Program reiterated and confirmed no cancer hazard at the school in a letter dated November 5, 2015 addressed to your attention.

Former Shell Oil site (Adjacent to the Joyner School) – Concern: Toxic release to soil and groundwater impacting public health including school community.

Response: Site investigations conducted in 1998 and 1999 demonstrating that subsurface soil is contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons. A health risk assessment was conducted and provided to the Department of Health Services Environmental Health Investigation Branch (DHS). DHS concluded that there were no

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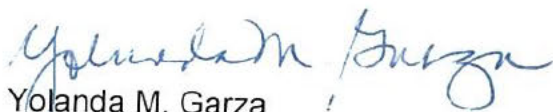
health risk hazards detected to the school from soil ingestion or fugitive emissions emanating from the former Shell Oil site. However, it was recommended that the former Shell Oil site be investigated for potential volatile organic compound contamination (VOC) stemming from prior underground storage tanks.

Current Action Underway: The Regional Water Quality Control Board is currently evaluating groundwater and soil gas at the at the former Shell Oil site adjacent to the Florence Griffith Joyner Elementary School. The Regional Water Board issued a Corrective Action Order on March 20, 2015 for soil vapor investigation at the property and near the Joyner School to determine if there is contaminant migration to the school area.

Recommendation: DTSC recommends no additional action is needed based on its evaluation. The Regional Water Board should continue to be the point of contact for the site investigation as well as LAUSD for any additional concerns. DTSC does not regulate petroleum releases from former underground storage tank sites, and the school sites are not subject to DTSC's review under the California Education Code. The agencies will continue to monitor the sites and engage you on environmental and public health protections in the area.

DTSC appreciates your continued vigilance in the community for environmental and public health safety. Should you have any questions regarding this response, please contact me at (714) 816-1978 or by e-mail at ygarza@dtsc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



Yolanda M. Garza
Unit Chief

Schools Evaluation and Brownfields Outreach Branch
Brownfields Environmental Restoration Program

Attachment

cc: (via e-mail)

Barbara A. Lee
Director
Department of Toxic Substances Control
barbara.lee@dtsc.ca.gov

September 21, 2011

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**California Environmental Protection Agency
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA. 90013-2343
Attn: Ms. Pansy Yuen**

Dear Ms. Yuen,

RE: Toxic release and abandoned underground Tank on School Site in Watts (Grape Street) (on Old Federal Land). Student dies from cancer! Students with Tumor & Leukemia!

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Planning Department
2600 Wilshire Blvd
Los Angeles, CA. 90057
Attn: Ms. Jessica Lopez

Dear Ms. Lopez,

RE: Toxic release and abandoned underground Tank on School Site in Watts (Grape Street) (on Old Federal Land). Student dies from cancer! Students with Tumor & Leukemia!
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**Kaiser Permanente Watts Learning Center
1465 East 103 Street
Los Angeles, CA. 90002
Attn: Ms. Joann Robinson**

Dear Ms. Robinson,

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Los Angeles Unified School District
333 South Beaudry Ave.
Los Angeles, CA. 90017
Attn: Mr. John Deasy

Dear Mr. Deasy,

RE: Toxic release and abandoned underground Tank on School Site in Watts (Grape Street) (on Old Federal Land). Student dies from cancer! Students with Tumor & Leukemia!
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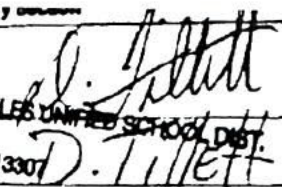
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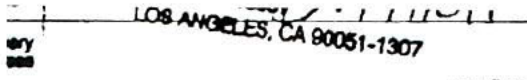
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Los Angeles, CA. 90017
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