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12	) PETITION BY STONY POINT STONY POINT CLEANERS ) ASSOCIATES FOR REVIEW OF NORTH				
13	469 STONY POINT ROAD)COAST REGIONAL WATER QUALITYSANTA ROSA CALIFORNIA)CONTROL BOARD CLEANUP AND				
14	) ABATEMENT ORDER No. R1-2014-0018				
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17	I. INTRODUCTION				
18	The first evidence of perchloroethylene release at Stony Point Cleaners was in 2002 -				
19	seventeen years after Stony Point Associates sold the subject property to the current owner Dr.				
20	David Paslin dba Ben Brett ManAff (Management Affiliates) and six (6) years into the troubled				
21	term of the current operator, Mr. Stanley Kim. Based on a lack of evidence of earlier release, the				
22	North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board ("NCRWQCB") twice appropriately refused				
23	to name prior owners and operators as responsible parties when asked to do so by Dr. Paslin.				
24	Meanwhile, almost five (5) years of litigation in Sonoma Superior Court by Dr. Paslin				
25	failed to generate any evidence of release during Stony Point Associates' ("SPA") ownership of				
26	the property from February 1984 to May 1985. Despite this lack of evidence, the NCRWQCB				
27	abruptly reversed itself and named SPA as a discharger in a Cleanup and Abatement Order issued				
28	on February 27, 2014. The Technical Memorandum accompanying that order admits "[s]taff does				
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not have the data to date the release," and "it is not possible to date the age of all the releases," Under the NCRWQCB's reasoning, "any operator using PCE caused or threatened to cause discharges," which it asserts is sufficient to make every owner and operator jointly and severally liable for the contamination at the property. This conclusion is contrary to law and ignores compelling evidence that the contamination at the site was caused by the current operator. Therefore, SPA respectfully requests the State Board review and reverse the NCRWOCB's decision to name SPA in its Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R1-2014-0018.

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# **BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS**

9 SPA acquired Buildings 3 and 6 of Stony Point Shopping Center on or about February 1, 1984. SPA deeded both buildings to Dr. David Paslin and his wife about 16 months later, on or about 10 May 24, 1985. Dr. Paslin d/b/a Ben Brett, ManAff (Management Affiliates) has owned the Property for more than twenty-eight (28) years. 12

13 At some point after 1985, Dr. Paslin sold Building 3 for approximately \$1.2 million. In 2006, 14 he attempted to sell Building 6; however, the sale fell through when environmental investigations identified PCE contamination in the soil and groundwater under Stony Point Cleaners. The results 15 of the investigation were forwarded to the NCRWQCB, which required Dr. Paslin to develop an 16 17 investigation work plan to determine the extent of contamination and appropriate remedial measures. 18

On March 7, 2008, Dr. Paslin, through counsel, requested the NCRWQCB add prior 19 operators and owners as responsible parties in the NCRWQCB action.<sup>1</sup> The NCRWQCB denied 20 this request on October 29, 2009, noting that it had attempted "to collect additional information on 21 historical business operations to better evaluate evidence of when a discharge occurred."<sup>2</sup> 22 Nevertheless, on January 13, 2009 Dr. Paslin filed a lawsuit against various former owners of the 23 Property (including SPA) and operators of Stony Point Cleaners alleging releases of PCE 24 beginning in 1981. Then, on December 31, 2010, Dr. Paslin again attempted to have the 25

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Letter from Gregg Garrison to NCRWQCB (Mar. 7, 2008), attached hereto as Exhibit A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Letter from Beth Lamb, NCRWQCB to David Paslin (Oct. 29, 2009), attached hereto as Exhibit B

NCRWQCB name prior owners and operators, arguing a study conducted in Santa Clara County, along with "the reports of site consultants" indicated "extensive contamination occurred over a prolonged period of time dating back to 1980-1981." "Therefore," he concluded, "the Board is required to name the former operators and landowners as primary responsible parties and include those owners and operators in investigations and cleanup directives."<sup>3</sup> In its April 29, 2011 response, the NCRWQCB once again refused to expand its action, stating, "there was no information contained in [the December 31, 2010 letter] that provided us with the documentation for naming additional responsible parties."<sup>4</sup>

9 After five years of litigation, Dr. Paslin was (and is) unable to produce evidence of the
10 alleged releases. Thus, SPA filed a motion for summary judgment in the state-court case in
11 November, 2013. That motion was never ruled upon by the court, however, because Dr. Paslin
12 dismissed the suit prior to hearing last December.

As the state-court litigation was proceeding toward conclusion, SPA and the other 13 defendants were surprised to receive a copy of an NCRWQCB letter dated December 6, 2013 and 14 a Draft Cleanup and Abatement Order referring to all current and former owners and operators of 15 the property as "dischargers." Given the complete lack of evidence to support holding SPA liable 16 for any contamination at the Property, SPA submitted comments on the Draft Order outlining the 17 fact that the contamination at the site occurred well after SPA sold the Property to Dr. Paslin.<sup>5</sup> 18 19 However, despite admitting its "[s]taff does not have the data to date the release," and that "it is 20 not possible to date the age of all the releases," the NCRWQCB issued a final Cleanup and Abatement Order identical to the Draft Order and naming SPA.<sup>6</sup> 21

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Letter from Gregg Garrison to NCRWQCB (Dec. 31, 2010), attached hereto as Exhibit C.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Letter from Beth Lamb, NCRWQCB to David Paslin (Apr. 29, 2011), attached hereto as Exhibit D.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Letter from Jesse A. Boyd on behalf of SPA to Beth Lamb (Jan. 10, 2014), attached hereto as Exhibit E. As much of this Petition incorporates the information contained in the January 10 letter to Ms. Lamb, the exhibits to that letter are not included here.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region, Technical Memorandum (Feb. 25, 2014) at p. 4, attached hereto as Exhibit F; Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region, Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R1-2014-0018, attached hereto as Exhibit G.

1	Under the NCRWQCB's reasoning, "any operator using PCE caused or threatened to cause			
2	discharges," which it asserts is sufficient to make every historical operator and property owner			
3	jointly and severally liable for the contamination regardless of when the release of PCE occurred. <sup>7</sup>			
4	This conclusion is contrary to law and ignores compelling evidence that the contamination at the			
5	site was caused exclusively by the recent operations of Mr. Kim. Therefore, SPA respectfully			
6	requests the State Board review and reverse the NCRWQCB's decision to name SPA in its			
7	Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R1-2014-0018.			
8	A. There is No Evidence of Discharge During SPA's Tenure			
9	Prior to its determination, the NCRWQCB received a biased and misleading report from			
10	Dr. Paslin's counsel and consultants dated September 4, 2013. Despite its conclusory allegations			
11	to the contrary, the report does not contain evidence of discharge during SPA's tenure. Indeed, the			
12	theories advanced by Dr. Paslin's representatives are demonstrably false. The NCRWQCB,			
13	however, appears to have adopted its flawed reasoning in issuing the Final CAO.			
14	In their report and accompanying letter, Dr. Paslin's consultant James Gribi and project			
15	manager, Brian Kelleher stated the following:			
16	According to a prior owner/operator of Stony Point Cleaners, during the early and			
17	mid 1980s (prior to enforcement of current hazardous waste management and hazardous materials storage regulations) contact water from the PCE machine's water segmentar was collected in 5 collected backster hand serviced into the hailer			
18	water separator was collected in 5-gallon buckets, hand-carried into the boiler room, and discharged to the sanitary sewer system via a floor drain.			
19	With this information in hand, Gribi conducted investigations to determine if this			
20	prior waste management practice resulted in subsurface PCE discharges. They found the floor drain in a difficult to reach location with access to the top			
21	obstructed by numerous pipes discharging wastewater from various sources.			
22	On the basis of the investigation results, Gribi concluded that the primary PCE discharge point to the subsurface was at a low spot in the concrete slab floor just			
23	in front of the floor drain at the point most prone to receiving spillage during the manual discharge of contact water to the drain. In particular they discovered there was a graph in the 4 inch thick concerns alab floor graphing the low graph that set al			
24	was a crack in the 4-inch thick concrete slab floor crossing the low spot that acted as a preferential pathway for contaminant migration. The soil gas sample collected at 4 fact directly below the crack contained 4.565,004 we/m3 PCF and			
25	collected at 4 feet directly below the crack contained 4,565,094 $\mu$ g/m <sup>3</sup> PCE and the soil sample collected at 1.5 feet contained 170 ppm PCE and had a strong solvent odor. <sup>8</sup>			
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27	<sup>7</sup> Technical Memorandum at p. 3			
28	<sup>8</sup> Letter from Brian Kelleher to Beth Lamb, NCRWQCB (Sep. 4, 2013), attached hereto as Exhibit H.			



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The specific section of the transverse crack identified as the discharge point is the exact area that provided obstructed access to the obstructed top of the floor drain/sink. This is identified as a breach in a hazardous waste handling primary containment area as well as a classic preferential contaminant migration pathway to the subsurface. ¶ [Based on an unidentified "U.S. government slab construction classification system"], the crack... assumed to date to the time of dry-cleaning tenant improvements... ¶ The PCE discharges occurred when a portion of the spilled contact water puddled or otherwise wetted the floor in the area of the preferential migratory pathway and then drained/seeped by gravity into the subsurface after traveling a mere 4 inches through the concrete floor.<sup>9</sup>

Thus, it is Mr. Gribi and Mr. Kelleher's position that "the primary PCE discharge point" at the Property is a crack in the boiler room of Stony Point Cleaners. This was confirmed by Mr. Gribi, under oath, at his deposition when he testified there were no other significant sources of contamination at the Property aside from the crack.<sup>10</sup>

Combining their determination that the crack was the primary PCE discharge point with alleged conversations with former operator Tim Hahn, Mr. Gribi and Mr. Kelleher make an inferential leapt to conclude there were discharges during SPA's tenure. However, this conclusion rests entirely on speculation and is demonstrably false.

First, as noted by Mr. Gribi in the September 4, 2013 report, the crack is "assumed to date to the time of dry-cleaning tenant improvements," and Mr. Kelleher stated the crack "occurred as soon as they brought the heavy equipment into the boiler room.... [including] the boiler.. [and] the hot water heater."<sup>11</sup> However, at deposition, Mr. Gribi conceded he did not know when any of the equipment in the boiler room was installed, or when the crack occurred.<sup>12</sup> In fact, all of the equipment currently in the boiler room was not installed until 1992, a full seven years after SPA sold the Property to Dr. Paslin.<sup>13</sup> Indeed, a water heater did not even exist at the Property during

<sup>12</sup> Gribi Dep. at 70:14-72:20, 112:23-25, 113:15-18, attached hereto as Exhibit J.

<sup>13</sup> Declaration of Peter Suk, attached hereto as Exhibit L.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> James Gribi, Report of PCE Source Area Investigation (Sep. 4. 2013) at pp. 6-7, attached hereto as Exhibit I.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See Deposition of James Gribi (Oct. 3, 2013) at p. 120:6-8, attached hereto as Exhibit J; see also Deposition of Brian Kelleher (Oct. 4, 2013) ("Kelleher Dep.") at p. 202:8-16 (confirming that all of the stated conclusions are Mr. Gribi's), attached hereto as Exhibit K.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Kelleher Dep. at 116:21-117:5, attached hereto as Exhibit K.

SPA's ownership.<sup>14</sup> Additionally, the day-to-day operators of the cleaners from 1984 through 1996 have stated, under oath, the crack did not exist during their tenure.<sup>15</sup> Thus, there is no evidence the primary discharge point identified by Mr. Gribi existed prior to 1996 when the current operator, Mr. Stanley Kim, took over Stony Point Cleaners.

By letter dated November 11, 2013, it appears counsel for Dr. Paslin also transmitted to the Board a "Brief Overview of Certain Select 9.23.13 Deposition Testimony of Young P. Hahn Outlining Sudden and Accidental Releases of PCE." This "overview" seems to broaden the alleged discharges beyond those associated with the crack to include vaguely-referenced leaks and operations. SPA was not copied on this letter, and did not receive a copy until it was submitted with Dr. Paslin's opposition to SPA's motion for summary judgment in the state-court case. As SPA pointed out to the court in that action, the "select" excerpts are liberally edited and taken out of context. More importantly, however, the cited testimony generally relates to Mr. Hahn's experience as a drycleaner over a 30+ year career, not to any specific recollections of events while he owned Stony Point Cleaners.<sup>16</sup>

Moreover, even if we assume for the sake of argument that a discharge occurred during Mr.
Hahn's tenure, there is no evidence it occurred during the initial 8 months when SPA owned the
Property as opposed to the following 4 years when Mr. Hahn operated exclusively under Dr.
Paslin's ownership.<sup>17</sup> In addition, the contribution to the contamination at the Property by any
theoretical releases during Mr. Hahn's tenure would be "negligible or non-existent."<sup>18</sup> The
contamination profile, limited lateral migration of the plume, and limited amount of PCE and its

<sup>14</sup> *Id.*; Deposition of Tim Hahn (Sep. 23, 2013) at 45:13-20, attached hereto as Exhibit M.

<sup>17</sup> Id.

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<sup>18</sup> Declaration of Murray Einarson at ¶ 3, attached hereto as Exhibit N; *see also* Letter from Murray Einarson to NCRWQCB (Jan. 10, 2014), attached hereto as Exhibit O.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Deposition of Tim Hahn (Sep. 23, 2013), attached hereto as Exhibit M; Declaration of Peter Suk, attached hereto as Exhibit L.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> See Deposition of Tim Hahn (Sep. 23, 2013) at p. 233:7-236:10, attached hereto as Exhibit M.

daughter compounds, TCE, DCE, and vinyl chloride indicate all of the contamination occurred sometime after 1994 – almost a decade after SPA sold the Property.<sup>19</sup>

In response to this lack of evidence, the NCRWOCB cites in its Technical Memorandum an inspection report from 1987 requiring Mr. Hahn to place PCE and waste water in secondary containment.<sup>20</sup> First, this document was created two (2) years after SPA sold the property to Dr. Paslin. Second, the document contains no evidence of release. Thus, the document does not support a finding of liability against SPA.

As outlined above, there remains no evidence that any discharge of PCE occurred during or before SPA's ownership of the property, much less any evidence of discharges that contributed to the relatively low level of contamination on site. For the reasons outlined in this section alone, the decision of the NCRWQCB should be reversed. However, there is also compelling evidence the contamination at the property stems from the practices of the current operator of Stony Point Cleaners, Mr. Kim.

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### B. The Contamination at the Property was Caused by the Current Operator

The current operator of Stony Point Cleaners, Mr. Stanley Kim, took over the business in 1996. While Mr. Kim is an amiable gentleman, his tenure at the Property has been plagued by a lack of basic maintenance and poor housekeeping which has led to multiple citations by governmental entities related to his use of PCE.

Upon taking over the business, Mr. Kim began disposing of PCE-contaminated separator water by pouring it into the toilet in the rear of the facility. The separator water was either poured directly into the toilet, or first sent through a Vic Hydrosorb filter. For proper operation, this filter was supposed to be changed regularly. Mr. Kim admitted at deposition, however, that he never changed the filter.<sup>21</sup> In 2002, Mr. Kim's improper disposal of PCE came to the attention of the City of Santa Rosa's Utilities Department, which discovered PCE in the sewer lateral running from

- <sup>19</sup> Id.
  - <sup>20</sup> See Santa Rosa Fire Dept. Inspection Form (Jul. 28, 1987) (noted "Completed 9/30/87"), attached hereto as Exhibit Ρ.

<sup>21</sup> Deposition of Stanley Kim (Nov. 20, 2013) at p. 103:4-14, attached hereto as Exhibit Q.

the property. The Utilities Department issued Mr. Kim a Cease and Desist Order, which forbade him from further disposal of wastewater through the sewer system.<sup>22</sup>

In 2002, after receiving the Cease and Desist Order, Mr. Kim changed his method of disposal to "misting."<sup>23</sup> This required Mr. Kim to pump the PCE-containing separator water through a filter and a tube to a mister at the back of the Property. The mister then dispersed the waste water into the air to evaporate.<sup>24</sup> This is an approved way of disposing of contact water if it is done properly, but as noted by an inspector for the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, there is no indication Mr. Kim has done anything "properly."<sup>25</sup> In fact, for three years leading up to May 2007 Mr. Kim again failed to replace the required filter – this time on the mister.<sup>26</sup> As a consequence of his improper operations, Mr. Kim has been issued two citations by BAAQMD, one in 2002 and one in 2006.<sup>27</sup>

In addition to the practices for which Mr. Kim received citations from the City of Santa
Rosa and BAAQMD, for several years he used a barrel of PCE at the rear of the facility for
waterproofing garments. He discontinued this process only after being required to do so by
BAAQMD.<sup>28</sup>

Mr. Kim's housekeeping is also extraordinarily bad. The parties to the state-court action,
along with their consultants, inspected Stony Point Cleaners on November 20, 2013. Mr. Kim
received notice weeks before the inspection occurred, yet the state of the Property can only be
described as cluttered and dirty. This was particularly true in the boiler room, where there was
extensive evidence of deferred maintenance and water damage. Mr. Kim's lack of attention to

- <sup>22</sup> Cease and Desist Order from City of Santa Rosa Utilities Department to Stanley Kim (Apr. 29, 2002), attached hereto as Exhibit R.
- 23 <sup>23</sup> Deposition of Stanley Kim (Nov. 20, 2013) at p. 102:13-23, attached hereto as Exhibit Q.
  - <sup>24</sup> Deposition of Stanley Kim (Nov. 20, 2013) at p. 106:16-25, attached hereto as Exhibit Q.

<sup>25</sup> Email exchange between BAAQMD and City of Santa Rosa Utilities Department, attached hereto as Exhibit S.
 <sup>26</sup> Id.

<sup>27</sup> Notices of Violation dated June 14, 2002 and June 21, 2006, attached hereto as Exhibit T.

<sup>28</sup> Deposition of Stanley Kim (Nov. 20, 2013) at p. 145:10-146:23, attached hereto as Exhibit Q.

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housekeeping extends to his handling of PCE as shown by his multiple citations, and justifies the conclusion Stony Point Cleaners during his tenure has "[d]efinitely [been] a shop to keep an eye on."<sup>29</sup> This is also evidenced by the multiple complaints Dr. Paslin received relating to improper use and excessive PCE odor associated with Mr. Kim's operation.<sup>30</sup>

Over the 17+ years that Mr. Kim has operated Stony Point Cleaners, his failure to change required filters and improper disposal methods have led to multiple citations from regulatory agencies. As his housekeeping indicates, and as recognized by regulators and neighbors, there is little indication Mr. Kim has done anything "properly" in handling PCE wastes. This, combined with the characteristics of the contamination plume itself, show that most, if not all of the contamination occurred during Mr. Kim's tenure, and certainly occurred many years after SPA owned the Property.

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# C. The NCRWQCB's Own Findings Show Naming SPA to be Legally Improper

Under California law, "dischargers" may be held strictly liable in actions under CAL. WATER CODE §§ 13304 and 13267; however, a showing of causation is required.<sup>31</sup> Thus, where liability is premised on mere ownership of a facility, there must be evidence that a discharge occurred during that ownership.<sup>32</sup> In addition, any such discharge must represent a substantial factor in causing the contamination requiring a response.<sup>33</sup> To be a "substantial factor" in causing

- <sup>29</sup> Email exchange between BAAQMD and City of Santa Rosa Utilities Department, attached hereto as Exhibit S.
- <sup>30</sup> See complaints forwarded to Dr. Paslin's on-site representative, Terry Meckstroth, attached hereto as Exhibit U.
- <sup>31</sup> See e.g. CAL. WATER CODE § 13304(c)(1); Santa Clara Valley Water Dist. v. Olin Corp., 655 F.Supp.2d 1048, 1064 (N.D. Cal. 2009); see also City of Modesto Redevelopment Agency v. Superior Court (2004) 119 Cal.App.4<sup>th</sup> 28, 37-38 (construing §13304 in light of the common law principles bearing on nuisance and requiring causation); see also CAL. WATER CODE § 13267(b)(1) (requiring the Board to "identify the evidence that supports requiring [an alleged discharger] to provide [mandated] reports.").

<sup>32</sup> Id.

<sup>33</sup> See e.g. Shaw v. County of Santa Cruz (2008) 170 Cal.App.4<sup>th</sup> 229, 278-279 (discussing causation requirement in nuisance actions).

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an alleged harm, there must be "some substantial link or nexus" between the act and the injury.<sup>34</sup> 1 "A mere possibility of such causation is not enough."<sup>35</sup> 2 As outlined in previous sections, Mr. Gribi conceded the boiler-room crack was the primary 3 source of contamination, and there was no other significant source at the Property. Indisputable 4 evidence shows the crack did not exist prior to 1996. As the only source of contamination 5 identified by Mr. Gribi did not appear for more than a decade after SPA's ownership, there is "[no] 6 possibility" of release during SPA's tenure. 7 More importantly the NCRWQCB has expressly conceded it "does not have the data to date 8 the release."<sup>36</sup> Instead, it speculates there "may have been multiple sources of contamination," 9 including, presumably, some hypothetical release during SPA's tenure. The NCRWQCB relies 10 solely on this speculation to conclude: 11 12 As stated above, former owners and operators of the Stony Point Cleaner facility used a dry cleaning solvent containing PCE and therefore are suspected of 13 discharging PCE to the subsurface. Landowners are also responsible for discharges on their property whether or not they personally caused the discharge because they "permit" or threaten to permit discharges. This is sufficient for the Regional Water Board to exercise its authorities under these code sections.<sup>37</sup> 14 15 While the Regional Board can require *investigation* based only on a suspicion of release, it must 16 17 "identify the evidence that supports requiring [an alleged discharger] to provide [mandated] reports." CAL. WATER CODE § 13267(b)(1). As the NCRWQCB has identified no evidence aside 18 19 from its own suspicions to support finding a release during SPA's ownership, the Final CAO and accompanying Technical Memorandum do not comply with § 13267. 20 In order to mandate remedial measures from SPA pursuant to CAL. WATER CODE § 13304, 21 there must be *actual* evidence sufficient to show SPA "caused or permitted... waste to be 22 23 24 <sup>34</sup> Saelzler v. Advanced Group 400 (2001) 25 Cal.4<sup>th</sup> 763, 778. 25<sup>35</sup> Id. at 776. 26 <sup>36</sup> Technical Memorandum at p. 3. 27<sup>37</sup> Id. 28 10

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PETITION BY STONY POINT ASSOCIATES FOR REVIEW OF NORTH COAST REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER No. R1-2014-0018 discharged or deposited where it is, or probably will be, discharged into the waters of the state...<sup>38</sup> This requires evidence that a discharge occurred during or prior to SPA's ownership. Putting aside the overwhelming evidence that the contamination was caused by recent releases from Mr. Kim, *see* Section II(B), *supra*, the Regional Board's concession that it cannot date any releases make the naming of SPA as a discharger in the Final CAO improper as a matter of law under § 13304.

There is no evidence of PCE discharge during SPA's ownership, much less any evidence such a discharge "substantially contributed" to the contamination at the Property.<sup>39</sup> The "mere possibility" of release, both as to timing and contribution to contamination, is not enough.<sup>40</sup> Thus, SPA cannot be held liable for the contamination at the Property, and there is no legal basis to name SPA on the Final CAO.<sup>41</sup>

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# . Conclusion

For the reasons outlined above, SPA respectfully requests that the State Water Resources
Control Board reverse the NCRWQCB's decision to name SPA as a discharger in its Cleanup and
Abatement Order No. R1-2014-0018.

16 DATED: March 28, 2014

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<sup>38</sup> Id.; see also CAL. WATER CODE § 13304; Santa Clara Valley Water Dist., 655 F.Supp.2d at 1064; City of Modesto Redevelopment Agency, 119 Cal.App.4<sup>th</sup> at 37-38.

<sup>39</sup> Saelzler, 25 Cal.4<sup>th</sup> at 778.

27 40 Id.

<sup>41</sup> Id.; see also Santa Clara Valley Water Dist., 655 F.Supp.2d at 1064.

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4	FOR REVIEW OF NORTH COAST REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER No. R1-2014-0018		
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15	X (By Email): I caused a copy of the document(s) described on the attached document list, together with a copy of this declaration, to be emailed listed on the following parties:		
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20 21	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the		
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# EXHIBIT A

# GARRISON LAW CORPORATION

March 7, 2008

VIA UPS

Colleen Hunt North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board 5550 Skylane Blvd, Suite A Santa Rosa, CA 95403 Phone: (707) 576-2220 Fax: (707) 523-0135

# In Reference To:Stony Point Cleaners, 469, Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, CA<br/>unauthorized PCE release site ("Site"); Case No. 1NS0898.Subject:Request for Naming Primary and Secondary Responsible Parties.

Dear Regional Board:

Garrison Law Corporation, Santa Barbara, CA represents Ben Brett a.k.a. ManAff ("Mr. Brett") the fictitious business names of the current owner of the 27,000 square foot commercial property at 465-479 Stony Point Road Santa Rosa, CA ("Commercial Property"). The Commercial Property includes the above-referenced Site and seven other retail units. Mr. Brett's Commercial Property is located along the northern fringe of the Stony Point Shopping Center, a 10-acre retail complex built in the late 1970s which includes a super market, a drug store, a bank, several restaurants, and other typical retail stores and services.

Under correspondence dated January 31, 2007, the Board has named Mr. Brett a responsible party for the subsurface PCE contamination discovered at the Site based on his current ownership of the Commercial Property. Consistent with governing statutes for hazardous waste control, this letter is a formal request that the Board immediately name additional RP's in connection with the unauthorized PCE release based simply on the history of ownership and operation of the Site. Spilled PCE and/or PCB bearing wastes from dry cleaning operations is a listed hazardous waste under both State and Federal Statutes and is subject to applicable CA H&SC provisions governing hazardous waste control. As such, under the governing statutes, the Board can name RPs whether or not the date of the PCE discharge(s) is known.

#### Site Ownership

According to records found at the Sonoma County Recorder's office, the tract of land currently comprising the Stony Point Shopping Center, including the subject Commercial Property, was purchased in April 1977 by Santa Anita Development Corp (SADC). By 1980, SADC was selling off the developed or partially developed parcels to various commercial interests and enterprises. On May 22, 1981, SADC sold the subject Commercial Property to Pacific Development Group (PDG) an active partnership that includes Arn Youngman and Dennis Berryman. On February 22, 1982, PDG sold the subject Commercial Property to Pacific Investment Group (PIG), an active California Corporation, formed by the same individuals as the PDG partnership among others. On February 1, 1984, PIG sold the subject Commercial Property to Stony Point Associates (SPA) a partnership between Phillip Steinbock and David Hofmann. On May 31, 1985 SPA sold the subject Commercial Property to Mr. Brett.

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#### History of Stony Point Cleaners Business Ownership and Operation

According to records held at the County Recorder's office, Stony Point Cleaners was operating at the Site as of October 5, 1981, presumably under a lease with PDG. At this time, MAF Inc., formed by Alfred J and Norma G Maffei sold the business to Jeanette (Jan) Herron/Knapp and Elmer (Pat) B. Knapp. On September 5, 1984, Pat and Jan Knapp sold the business to Tim and Young Hahn. On October 19, 1989, Seung and Young Hahn sold the business to Peter Suk. On April 18, 1996, Peter and Helen Suk sold the business to Stanley Kim and Do W. Lee.

#### Discovery of an Unauthorized PCE Release at 469 Stony Point Road

In July 2006, in advance of Mr. Brett's pending sale of the Commercial Property, AEI Consultants conducted subsurface investigations that revealed the presence of the dry cleaning solvent perchlorethylene (PCE) in the soil and groundwater beneath and south (down slope) of the Site. PCE contamination was detected in soil samples collected directly beneath the Stony Point Cleaners dry cleaning equipment. The associated August 30, 2006 AEI report was submitted to the Board. Under correspondence dated January 31, 2007, the Board responded to the report by issuing directives to Mr. Brett to submit a workplan to conduct investigations to define the vertical and lateral extent of subsurface PCE contamination. Pursuant to these directives, Mr. Brett's consultant Gribi Associates has prepared and submitted a workplan dated October 2, 2007.

Mr. Brett has not yet conducted the investigations proposed in the workplan and at this point is asking the Board to name additional RPs in the interests of obliging them to appropriately share in the costs of implementing the workplan. Mr. Brett is also seeking insurance coverage in connection with the losses he is incurring in connection with the PCE release(s).

#### Request for Naming Responsible Parties Made Pursuant to CA Health & Safety Code

Pursuant to CA Health & Safety Code, Division 20, Chapter 6.5 Hazardous Waste Control, Article 2. Definitions: "Site" has the same meaning the term "facility" as defined in Section 101(9) of the Federal Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 9601(9)) which includes the following language "any site or area where a hazardous substance has been deposited."

Pursuant to CA Health & Safety Code, Division 20, Chapter 6.5 Hazardous Waste Control, Article 2. Definitions: "Responsible party" means those persons described in Section 107(a) of the Federal Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 9607(a)) which includes the following language: "the owner and operator of a vessel or facility."

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# Relevant Facility Ownership/Operational History

Responsible Party entity/ Contact info	Basis for responsibility	Period of ownership or operation
Dennis Berryman and Arn Youngman (c/o Pacific Development Group) One Corporate Plaza # 250 Newport Beach, CA 92660 (949) 760-8591	Facility cwner (principals of unincorporated partnership and still active)	At least ~June 1981 - February 22, 1982
Pacific Investors Group c/o Dennis Berryman, President One Corporate Plaza Newport Beach, CA 92660 (949) 760-8591	Facility owner (active corporation)	October 5, 1981 – February 1, 1984
David Hofmann and Phillip Steinbock (Stony Point Associates) e/o James Hawley, Esq. Hoge, Fenton et al 60 S. Market Street, Ste 1400 San Jose, CA 95113 (408) 287-9501	Facility owner (principals of former partnership)	February 1, 1984 - May 30, 1985
Ben Brett c/o Gregg Garrison, Esq. 1525 State Street, Suite 100 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 957-1700	Facility owner (sole proprietor)	Since May 30, 1985
MAF Inc (presumably MAF Enterprises, Inc., incorporated 6/23/81 (suspended). c/o Alfred J and/or Norma G Maffei 43 Vivian Drive Pleasant Hill, CA 94523 (925) 685-3051 The contact info might be dated	Facility operator dba Stony Point Cleaners (suspended corporation)	At least ~June 1981 – October 5, 1981
Elmer B (Pat) Knapp and Jeanette Herron a.k.a. Jeanette (Jan) Knapp: 5495 5 <sup>th</sup> Street # 32 Kelseyville, CA 95451 (707) 279-9079 The contact info might be dated	Facility operator dba Stony Point Cleaners (sole proprietor)	October 5, 1981 – September 5, 1984
Tim, Seoung and Young Hahn Creekside Dry Cleaners 151 Sycamore Avenue, # G Heroules, CA 94557 (510) 799-2758	Facility operator dba Stony Point Cleaners (sole proprietor)	September 5, 1984 – October 19, 1989
Peter and Helen Suk 2014 Red Oak Circle Santa Rosa, CA 95403 (707) 575-7113	Facility operator dba Stony Point Cleaners (sole proprietor)	October 19, 1989 – April 18, 1996
Stanley Kim and Do W Lee Stony Point Cleaners 469 Stony Point Road Santa Rosa, CA 95401-5969 (707) 544-2536	Facility operator dba Stony Point Cleaners (sole proprietor)	Since April 18, 1996

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Based on the history of ownership and use of the Site, Mr. Brett is requesting that the County name the RPs that owned or operated the dry cleaning facility prior to his ownership as the Primary RPs. This takes into account that the City records show that provisions for mitigating sudden and accidental PCE spills (secondary containment systems) were not installed until approximately August 1987, making the period of earliest dry cleaning operations at the Site the most likely of the operations to have created the most significant unauthorized release(s) occurrences.

Attachment A - Various documents on property ownership found at the Sonoma County Recorder's Office Web Site and Secretary of State Business Portal.

Attachment B – Various documents on Stony Point Cleaners business ownership found at the Sonoma County Recorder's Office Web Site and Secretary of State Business Portal.

By way of this letter, we request that all primary and secondary responsible parties participate in financing the necessary site investigations and cleanup activities and provide relevant historical information concerning site operations that could potentially assist the Board and Mr. Brett in identifying and understanding the source(s) of subsurface contamination. We also request that the RPs provide any direct or secondary evidence of insurance policies covering the properties or the dry cleaning business operations during their periods of facility ownership or operation. The policies of greatest potential value are those issued prior to 1/1/86.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 805.957.1700 with any questions you may have. Thank you.

Sincerely, GARRISON LAW CORPORATION

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# EXHIBIT B



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October 29, 2009

Dr. David Paslin Dba Ben Brett ManAff (Management Affiliates) 2287 Cobblehill Place San Mateo, CA 94402

Dear Dr. Paslin:

Subject: March 7, 2008 Garrison Law Corporation Letter

File.

Stony Point Cleaners, 469 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa Case No. 1NSO898

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) staff reviewed the March 7, 2008 letter prepared by Garrison Law Corporation, submitted on your behalf. In the letter Mr. Garrison requested the following:

- The Regional Water Board name all past owners and operators of the site as responsible parties based on the history of ownership and operation of the Site provided by Mr. Garrison,
- All responsible parties participate in financing the necessary site investigations and cleanup activities,
- All responsible parties provide relevant historical information concerning site operations to help identify source(s) of contamination, and
- All responsible parties provide any evidence of insurance policies.

Thank you for submitting a detailed history of owners and operators of Stony Point Cleaners. Although the information provided in this document helps complete owner/operator historical records, this information alone is not sufficient to name additional responsible parties. In order for the Regional Water Board to name additional responsible parties (other than the current property owner), we need evidence that the owner or operator either was in possession of the property when the discharge was occurring or caused the discharge to occur. There is insufficient evidence available at this time to determine the date of the discharge, and consequently identify the facility owner(s)/operator(s) responsible for the discharge.

Since receiving Mr. Garrison's letter, the Regional Water Board staff has attempted to contact former owners and operators to collect additional information on historical business operations to better evaluate evidence of when a discharge occurred, in order

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to be able to name additional responsible parties. Letters were sent out to the following people:

Mr. Dennis Berryman of the Pacific Development Group former facility owner.

Mr. and Mrs. Suk former operators of Stony Point Cleaners.

 Young and Seung Hahn of Creekside Dry Cleaners, former operators of the Stony Point Cleaners.

There was only a response from Mr. Berryman stating that he had no records or any other relevant information since he sold the property about 25 years ago.

Although the Regional Water Board staff will continue to try to obtain evidence to support naming additional responsible parties, as the current landowner, you are a responsible party. See In the matter of the Petitions of Wenwest, Inc., Susan Rose, Wendy International, Inc. and Phillips Petroleum Company, Order No. WQ 92-13, at p. 7.

Although you provided a *Soil and Groundwater Investigation Workplan* on October 12, 2007, we never received your responses to the Regional Water Board's January 3, 2008 comments on the Workplan. A response to those comments was due on March 3, 2008. Accordingly, please provide a respond to staff comments by December 15, 2009, and provide us with a time schedule to conduct the approved scope of work. As the investigation of the release continues, it is likely that additional evidence will be found to support naming additional parties. You may, through an action brought in civil court, be able to request contribution for the expenses of the investigation and cleanup from other parties determined to be responsible for the discharge.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (707) 576-2669.

Sincerely,

Beth Lamb, C.E.G. Engineering Geologist

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# EXHIBIT C



December 31, 2010

Via First-Class Mail & Email

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> Request for Naming Primary and Secondary Responsible Parties Stony Point Cleaners, 469 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, CA Unauthorized PCE Release Site; Case Number: 1NS0898

Dear Ms. Lamb:

Re:

This is the follow up to our March 7, 2008 letter to the Regional Water Board wherein our client, Dr. David Paslin, (dba Ben Brett) requested you to name former owners and operators of the site located at 469 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa as responsible parties for the contamination resulting from dry cleaner operations. This letter is also in response to your letter of October 29, 2009 wherein you state there was insufficient information to identify the operator responsible for the discharge.

The current property owner, Dr. Paslin, never operated a dry cleaner facility at the subject site. This fact is not in dispute. The identities of the former dry cleaner operators, (the parties Knapp, Maffei, Suk and Hahn), have been well documented. Based on investigations conducted at the site by Dr. Paslin's consultants, it has been clearly shown the waste discharge(s) occurred during the time of operation of the dry cleaners by the former operators (See Exhibit B, Gribi &

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GSGARRISON@GARRISONLAWCORP.COM FAX 650-726-9315 Associates Scientific Studies and Expert Findings). The lateral spread of the contamination and the Santa Clara Valley Water District scientific study of groundwater contamination from past dry cleaner operations, and the reports of the site consultants, all indicate that the extensive contamination occurred over a prolonged period of time dating back to 1980-1981. Therefore, the Board is required to name the former operators and landowners as primary responsible parties and include these owners and operators in investigation and cleanup directives.

The Board is required to name the former landowners as responsible parties. As property owners, and landlords of the former operators, these landowners had "knowledge of the activities that resulted in the discharge (dry cleaning operations)" and they had "the legal ability to prevent the discharge." These landlords and property owners "had a significant ownership interest in the property at the time of discharge(s).<sup>1</sup>

The record and scientific data clearly support that the owners and operators of the site prior to the installation of secondary containment and cradle to grave management of PCE wastes caused significant sudden and accidental releases of PCE.

Therefore, please name the following additional **PRIMARY RESPONSIBLE PARTIES**:

- 1. David J. Hoffman dba Stony Point Associates (owner)
- 2. Phillip M. Steinboch dba Stony Point Associates (owner)
- 3. Pacific Development Group (owner)
- 4. Pacific Investment Group (owner)
- 5. Stony Point Associates (owner)
- 6. Norma G. Maffei, dba M.A.F., (operator)
- 7. U.L. Hahn aka Tim Hahn (operator)
- 8. Young Hahn (operator)
- 8. Elmer Knapp (operator)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the matter of the Petition of Wenwest, Inc., Susan Rose, Wendy International, Inc. and Phillips Petroleum Company, Order o WQ 92-13.

# **II. CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE SHOWING POSSESSION OF PROPERTY OF THE PROPOSED ADDITIONAL PRIMARY PARTIES**

### **DOCUMENTS CONCLUSIVELY SHOWS OWNERS/OPERATORS OF SITE**

We conducted an exhaustive search of City and County records and located multiple recorded documents that constitute conclusive evidence of when the prior owners and operators were in possession of the property.

DATE ····	PARTY	TYPE	Evidence
09-24-1984	Patikpapp & Jan Knapp to Tim Hannand Young T Hann	Operators of Stony Point Cleaners	Notice of Intended Bulk. 14
01-26-1984	Stony Point Associates & Pacific Investors Group	Owners	Assumption Agreement, Release and Modification of Note and Deed of Trust
-01-24-1984	Stony Point Associates (Hofman & Steinbock)	Owners and a state	Statement of Partnershiptor . Stony Point Associates
04-19-1983	Pacific Investment Group	Owners	Deed of Trust and Assignment of Rents
12-01-1983	M.A.H.(ING/Christian Maffer & Victoria.Maffei)	Operators -	Assignment of Deed of Trusts and Assignment of Reats, 13,
02-17-1982	Pacific Development Group (Berryman & Youngman)	Øwners	Grant Deed to Pacific Investors Group
11-04-1981	MAF INC & Patibu	Owners and	Rinameine Statement
1030441490	Development Corporation.	Operators	Pacific Development <b>2</b> Corporation Property Owner
10-30-1981	Jeannette Herron & M.A.F. INC	Operators	Deed of Trust and Assignment of Rents
10-05-1984	MAF JINC & Jeanneite Herron & Filmer Knapp (Stony Points (Cleaners)	(Operators)	Notice of Bulk Transfer 4
05-22-1981	Pacific Development Group Corporation	Owners	Grant Deed
05-22-1981	Pacific Development Group	Owners at the P	Construction Deed and a second s
10-30-1980	Pacific Development Group (Berryman & Best & Grant & Youngman)	Owners	Statement of Partnership Formation
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# **OWNERSHIP & OPERATOR HISTORY FROM 1980 TO 1985**

### SITE OWNERSHIP NARRATIVE

According to records found at the Sonoma County Recorder's office, the tract of land currently comprising the Stony Point Shopping Center, including the subject Commercial Property, was purchased in April 1977 by Santa Anita Development Corporation (SADC). On April 22, 1981 Ms. Wild Kelley of SADC filed a Notice of Completion. The Notice indicated Midstate Construction performed "...work of improvement on the property..." on April 17, 1981. The Notice also indicated the street addresses of the property at "441, 445, 447, 449, 453, 455, 457, 465, 467, 469, 471, 475, 477, 479, 483, Stony Point." (See Exhibit A, Notice of Completion)

By 1980, SADC was selling off the developed parcels to various commercial interests; on May 22, 1981, SADC sold the subject commercial property to Pacific Development Group (PDG), an active partnership that includes Arn Youngman and Dennis Berryman. (See Exhibit A, Corporation Grant Deed) Recall your agency contacted Mr. Berryman via mail and Mr. Berryman responded "...stating that he had no records or any other relevant information since he sold the property about 25 years ago." (See Exhibit A, Response from RWQCB October 29, 2009) This is confirmed by a November 14, 1980 Pacific Group Development Statement of Partnership recorded at the Sonoma County Recorder's office. Mr. Dennis Berryman signed as one of four partners. (See Exhibit A, Pacific Group Development Statement of Partnership)

On February 17, 1982, PDG sold the subject commercial property to Pacific Investment Group (PIG), an active California Corporation, formed by the same individuals as the PDG partnership among others. Note that Mr. Dennis Berryman signed on behalf of PIG. (See Exhibit A, Partnership Grant Deed) On February 1, 1984, PIG sold the subject commercial property to Stony Point Associates (SPA) a partnership between Phillip Steinbock and David Hofman. (See Exhibit A, Assumption Agreement, Loan)

On May 31, 1985 SPA sold the subject commercial property to our client, Mr. Ben Brett. (See Exhibit A, Deed of Trust and Assignment of Rents)

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### THE RELEASES FOUND AT THE SITE CORRELATE TO EXPECTED PRE-CONTAINMENT Releases – Legacy Operators and property owners Should Be Named as Responsible Parties

According to the following landmark report of the Dry Cleaner PCE pollution problem ("the SCVWD report") "The threat of groundwater contamination posed by dry cleaning operations is primarily a legacy issue." (Exhibit C, Mohr, Thomas KG. *Study of Potential for Groundwater Contamination from Past Dry Cleaner Operations in Santa Clara County*. Publication, Santa Clara Valley Water District, <a href="http://www.valleywater.org/Search.aspx?searchtext=drey%20cleaner%20study">http://www.valleywater.org/Search.aspx?searchtext=drey%20cleaner%20study</a>.)

Moreover, the SCVWD report makes it clear that pre-secondary containment owners and operators are those most appropriately named as Responsible Parties when subsurface PCE contamination problems associated with this unfortunate legacy ultimately surface (page iii).

We have included documents showing that secondary containment was added to Stony Point Cleaners in August 1987. As mentioned above and in the SCVWD report, this correlates with the period that dry cleaners were mandated under RCRA and associated State and Local Statutes and Codes to minimize and segregate PCE wastes and re-route them from the sewers and dumpsters to secure areas for recycling or Class I disposal.

Gribi Associates has recently conducted comprehensive site investigations that reveal that the subsurface PCE contamination pattern for Stony Point Cleaners is highly typical of presecondary containment dry cleaning facilities that were in operation in the early to mid 1980s. The contaminant distribution reveals PCE entered the subsurface during a period when PCE laden wastewaters were being discharged to the sanitary sewer, PCE laden solid wastes were being routed to the dumpster at the west end of the building, and areas of PCE use and storage inside the building lacked secondary containment. The Gribi report is currently in preparation with an expected submittal date by the end of January 2011.

### CONCLUSION

Attached please find the SCVWD report that contains the additional information required by the Board to name the correct Responsible Parties, namely all owners and operators from the start of

the dry cleaning facility operations in 1980 until the installation of secondary containment in August 1987.

In the event the Board requires additional information to name former operators and former landowners as responsible parties, we would like to schedule a meeting with you to present the findings.

We appreciate your most prompt attention to the above. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me any time regarding this matter.

# Very truly yours, GARRISON LAW CORPORATION

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Gregg S. Garrison, JD, REA, CEM<sup>2</sup>

encl: 1. Exhibit A -- Operational & Ownership History with Supporting Documents

2. Exhibit B -- Gribi & Associates Scientific Studies and Expert Findings

3. Exhibit C --Study of Potential for Groundwater Contamination from Past Dry Cleaner Operations in Santa Clara County by Thomas KG Mohr, Santa Clara Valley Water District

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# EXHIBIT D



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April 29, 2011

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Dear Dr. Paslin:

Subject: Request for Naming Primary and Secondary Responsible Parties

File:

Stony Point Cleaners, 469 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa Case No. 1NSO898 (CR 201-0089)

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) staff received a letter from your lawyer Mr. Gregg Garrison regarding *Request for Naming Primary and Secondary Responsible Parties*, dated December 31, 2010. As we transmitted to Mr. Garrison in an email dated April 18, 2011, there was no information contained in this letter that provided us with the documentation for naming additional responsible parties.

You also need to be advised that Regional Water Board orders do not name primary. and secondary responsible parties. All parties named on an order are considered jointly and severally liable. If you have any questions, please contact me by email <u>blamb@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or call me at (707) 576-2669.

Sincerely,

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# **EXHIBIT E**



January 10, 2014

### VIA E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Beth Lamb Engineering Geologist California Water Boards North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A Santa Rosa, CA 95403

> Re: Stony Point Cleaners, 469 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa Case No. 1NS0898

Dear Ms. Lamb,

This firm represents Stony Point Associates ("SPA"), the owner of the building containing 469 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, California ("Property") from February 1, 1984 until May 24, 1985. I write in response to your letter of December 6, 2013 addressed to SPA and numerous other entities, wherein you invite comments on a Draft Cleanup and Abatement Order related to the Property.

As outlined below, there is no evidence of PCE discharges during SPA's relatively brief tenure at the Property almost 30 years ago. Meanwhile, there is substantial sworn testimony and technical evidence showing the vast majority, if not all, of the contamination seen at the site occurred after 1996, when the current operator of Stony Point Cleaners acquired the business. Thus, there is no factual or legal basis to name SPA in any CAO related to the Property, and we urge you to reconsider SPA's inclusion as a discharger when a final CAO is issued.

### **Background:**

SPA acquired Buildings 3 and 6 of Stony Point Shopping Center, on or about February 1, 1984. SPA deeded both buildings to Dr. David Paslin and his wife about 16 months later, on or about May 24, 1985. Dr. Paslin d/b/a Ben Brett and Management Affiliates has owned the Property since (28+ years).

At some point after 1985, Dr. Paslin sold Building 3 for approximately \$1.2 million. In 2006, he attempted to sell Building 6; however, the sale fell through when environmental investigations identified PCE contamination in the soil and groundwater under Stony Point Cleaners. As you know, the results of the investigation were forwarded to the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board ("Board"), which required Dr. Paslin

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to develop an investigation work plan to determine the extent of contamination and appropriate remedial measures.

On March 7, 2008, Dr. Paslin, through counsel, requested the Board add prior operators and owners as responsible parties in the Board action.<sup>1</sup> The Board denied this request on October 29, 2009, noting that it had attempted "to collect additional information on historical business operations to better evaluate evidence of when a discharge occurred."2 Meanwhile, on January 13, 2009 Dr. Paslin filed a lawsuit against various former owners of the Property (including SPA) and operators of Stony Point Cleaners alleging releases of PCE beginning in 1981. On December 31, 2010, Dr. Paslin again attempted to have the Board name prior owners and operators, arguing a study conducted in Santa Clara County, along with "the reports of site consultants" indicated "extensive contamination occurred over a prolonged period of time dating back to 1980-1981." "Therefore," he concluded, "the Board is required to name the former operators and landowners as primary responsible parties and include those owners and operators in investigations and cleanup directives."<sup>3</sup> In its April 29, 2011 response, the Board once again refused to expand its action, stating, "there was no information contained in [the December 31, 2010 letter] that provided us with the documentation for naming additional responsible parties."4

Despite five years of litigation, Dr. Paslin was unable to produce evidence of the alleged releases, and SPA filed a motion for summary judgment in the state-court case. That motion was never ruled upon by the court, however, because the lawsuit was dismissed prior to hearing.

As the state-court litigation was proceeding toward conclusion, SPA and the other defendants were surprised to receive a copy of your letter of December 6, 2013 referring to all current and former owners and operators of the Property as "dischargers." Given the lack of evidence to support holding SPA liable for any contamination at the Property, we must attribute the apparent change in the Board's position to the misleading information and unsupported conclusions presented by Dr. Paslin's representatives over the past few months. As outlined below and in the attached documents, the contamination at the site occurred well after SPA sold the Property to Dr. Paslin. Thus, the Board's initial refusals to name SPA in this matter remain entirely appropriate. We

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Letter from Gregg Garrison to NCRWQCB (Mar. 7, 2008). Documents already submitted to the Board or originating with the Board will not be attached to this letter. SPA will forward to the Board any documents referenced in this letter but not attached upon request.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Letter from Beth Lamb, NCRWQCB to David Paslin (Oct. 29, 2009).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Letter from Gregg Garrison to NCRWQCB (Dec. 31, 2011).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Letter from Beth Lamb, NCRWQCB to David Paslin (Apr. 29, 2011).

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respectfully submit that an unbiased assessment of the evidence will show there is no factual or legal basis to name SPA in any CAO related to the property.

### There is No Evidence of Discharge During SPA's Tenure:

The information submitted to the Board by Dr. Paslin's counsel and consultants does not contain evidence of discharge during SPA's tenure. Additionally, the theories advanced by Dr. Paslin's representatives are provably false.

In a report and letter to the Board dated September 4, 2013, Dr. Paslin's consultant James Gribi and project manager, Brian Kelleher stated the following:

According to a prior owner/operator of Stony Point Cleaners, during the early and mid 1980s (prior to enforcement of current hazardous waste management and hazardous materials storage regulations) contact water from the PCE machine's water separator was collected in 5-gallon buckets, hand-carried into the boiler room, and discharged to the sanitary sewer system via a floor drain.

With this information in hand, Gribi conducted investigations to determine if this prior waste management practice resulted in subsurface PCE discharges. They found the floor drain in a difficult to reach location with access to the top obstructed by numerous pipes discharging wastewater from various sources.

On the basis of the investigation results, Gribi concluded that the primary PCE discharge point to the subsurface was at a low spot in the concrete slab floor just in front of the floor drain at the point most prone to receiving spillage during the manual discharge of contact water to the drain. In particular they discovered there was a crack in the 4-inch thick concrete slab floor crossing the low spot that acted as a preferential pathway for contaminant migration. The soil gas sample collected at 4 feet directly below the crack contained 4,565,094  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup> PCE and the soil sample collected at 1.5 feet contained 170 ppm PCE and had a strong solvent order.<sup>5</sup>

The specific section of the transverse crack identified as the discharge point is the exact area that provided obstructed access to the obstructed top of the floor drain/sink. This is identified as a breach in a hazardous waste handling primary containment area as well as a classic preferential contaminant migration pathway to the subsurface. ¶ [Based

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Letter from Brian Kelleher to Beth Lamb, NCRWQCB (Sep. 4, 2013).

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on an unidentified "U.S. government slab construction classification system"], the crack... assumed to date to the time of dry-cleaning tenant improvements... ¶ The PCE discharges occurred when a portion of the spilled contact water puddled or otherwise wetted the floor in the area of the preferential migratory pathway and then drained/seeped by gravity into the subsurface after traveling a mere 4 inches through the concrete floor.<sup>6</sup>

Thus, it is Mr. Gribi and Mr. Kelleher's position that "the primary PCE discharge point" at the Property is a crack in the boiler room of Stony Point Cleaners. This was confirmed by Mr. Gribi, under oath, at his deposition when he testified there were no other significant sources of contamination at the Property aside from the crack.<sup>7</sup>

Combining their determination that the crack was the primary PCE discharge point with alleged conversations with former operator Tim Hahn, Mr. Gribi and Mr. Kelleher make an inferential leapt to conclude there were discharges during SPA's tenure. However, this conclusion rests on multiple assumptions that are provably false.

First, as noted by Mr. Gribi in the September 4, 2013 report, the crack is "assumed to date to the time of dry-cleaning tenant improvements," and Mr. Kelleher stated the crack "occurred as soon as they brought the heavy equipment into the boiler room.... [including] the boiler.. [and] the hot water heater."<sup>8</sup> However, at deposition, Mr. Gribi conceded he did not know when any of the equipment in the boiler room was installed, or when the crack occurred.<sup>9</sup> In fact, all of the equipment currently in the boiler room was not installed until 1992, a full seven years after SPA sold the Property to Dr. Paslin.<sup>10</sup> Indeed, a water heater did not even exist at the Property during SPA's ownership.<sup>11</sup> Additionally, the day-to-day operators of the cleaners from 1984 through 1996 have stated, under oath, the crack did not exist during their tenure.<sup>12</sup> Thus, there is

<sup>6</sup> James Gribi, Report of PCE Source Area Investigation (Sep. 4. 2013) at pp. 6-7.

<sup>7</sup> See Deposition of James Gribi (Oct. 3, 2013) at p. 120:6-8, attached to this letter as Exhibit A; see also Deposition of Brian Kelleher (Oct. 4, 2013) at p. 202:8-16 (confirming that all of the stated conclusions are Mr. Gribi's), attached to this letter as Exhibit B.

<sup>8</sup> Deposition of Brian Kelleher (Oct. 4, 2013) ("Kelleher Dep.") at 116:21-117:5, attached to this letter as Exhibit B.

<sup>9</sup> Gribi Dep. at 70:14-72:20, 112:23-25, 113:15-18, attached to this letter as Exhibit A.

<sup>10</sup> Declaration of Peter Suk, attached to this letter as Exhibit C.

<sup>11</sup> Id.; Deposition of Tim Hahn (Sep. 23, 2013) at 45:13-20, attached to this letter as Exhibit D.

<sup>12</sup> Deposition of Tim Hahn (Sep. 23, 2013), attached to this letter as Exhibit D; Declaration of Peter Suk, attached to this letter as Exhibit C.

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no evidence the primary discharge point identified by Mr. Gribi existed prior to 1996 when the current operator, Mr. Stanley Kim, took over Stony Point Cleaners.

By letter dated November 11, 2013, it appears counsel for Dr. Paslin also transmitted to the Board a "Brief Overview of Certain Select 9.23.13 Deposition Testimony of Young P. Hahn Outlining Sudden and Accidental Releases of PCE." This "overview" seems to broaden the alleged discharges beyond those associated with the crack to include vaguely-referenced leaks and operations. SPA was not copied on this letter, and did not receive a copy until it was submitted with Dr. Paslin's opposition to SPA's motion for summary judgment in the state-court case. As SPA pointed out to the court, the "select" excerpts are liberally edited and taken out of context. More importantly, however, the cited testimony generally relates to Mr. Hahn's experience as a drycleaner over a 30+ year career, not to any specific recollections of events while he owned Stony Point Cleaners.<sup>13</sup>

Additionally, even if we assume for the sake of argument that a discharge occurred during Mr. Hahn's tenure, there is no evidence it occurred during the initial 8 months when SPA owned the Property as opposed to the following 4 years when Mr. Hahn operated under Dr. Paslin's ownership.<sup>14</sup> More importantly, the contribution to the contamination at the Property by any theoretical releases during Mr. Hahn's tenure would be "negligible or non-existent."<sup>15</sup> The contamination profile, limited lateral migration of the plume, and limited amount of PCE and its daughter compounds, TCE, DCE, and vinyl chloride indicate all of the contamination occurred sometime after 1994 – almost a decade after SPA sold the Property.<sup>16</sup>

As outlined above, there remains no evidence that any discharge of PCE occurred during or before SPA's ownership of the property, much less that any such discharges contributed to the contamination currently seen on site. For this reason alone, the Board should refrain from naming SPA on any CAO. However, there is also compelling evidence the contamination at the Property stems from the practices of the current operator of Stony Point Cleaners, Mr. Kim.

### The Contamination at the Property was Caused by the Current Operator:

The current operator of Stony Point Cleaners, Mr. Stanley Kim, took over the business in 1996. While Mr. Kim is an amiable gentleman, his tenure at the Property has been

<sup>14</sup> Id.

<sup>16</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See Deposition of Tim Hahn (Sep. 23, 2013) at p. 233:7-236:10, attached to this letter as Exhibit D.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Declaration of Murray Einarson at  $\P$  3, attached to this letter as Exhibit E; *see also* Letter from Murray Einarson to NCRWQCB (Jan. 10, 2014), submitted in conjunction with this letter.

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plagued by a lack of basic maintenance and poor housekeeping which has led to multiple citations by governmental entities related to his use of PCE.

Upon taking over the business, Mr. Kim began disposing of PCE-contaminated separator water by pouring it into the toilet in the rear of the facility. The separator water was either poured directly into the toilet, or first sent through a Vic Hydrosorb filter. For proper operation, this filter was supposed to be changed regularly. Mr. Kim admitted at deposition, however, that he <u>never</u> changed the filter.<sup>17</sup> In 2002, Mr. Kim's improper disposal of PCE contaminated separator water came to the attention of the City of Santa Rosa's Utilities Department, which discovered PCE in the sewer lateral running from the property. The Utilities Department issued Mr. Kim a Cease and Desist Order, which forbade him from further disposal of wastewater through the sewer system.<sup>18</sup>

In 2002, after receiving the Cease and Desist Order, Mr. Kim changed his method of disposal to "misting."<sup>19</sup> That is, pumping the PCE-containing separator water through a filter and a tube to a mister at the back of the Property. The mister then dispersed the waste water into the air to evaporate.<sup>20</sup> This is an approved way of disposing of contact water if it is done properly, but as noted by an inspector for the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, there is no indication Mr. Kim has done anything "properly."<sup>21</sup> In fact, for three years leading up to May 2007 Mr. Kim again failed to replace the required filter – this time on the mister.<sup>22</sup> As a consequence of his improper operations, Mr. Kim Mr. Kim has been issued two citations by BAAQMD, one in 2002 and one in 2006.<sup>23</sup>

In addition to the practices for which Mr. Kim received citations from the City of Santa Rosa and BAAQMD, for several years he used a barrel of PCE at the rear of the facility for waterproofing garments. He discontinued this process after being required to do so by BAAQMD.<sup>24</sup> Also, Mr. Kim's housekeeping is extraordinarily bad. The parties to the state-court action, along with their consultants, inspected Stony Point Cleaners on

<sup>17</sup> Deposition of Stanley Kim (Nov. 20, 2013) at p. 103:4-14, attached to this letter as Exhibit F.

<sup>18</sup> Cease and Desist Order from City of Santa Rosa Utilities Department to Stanley Kim (Apr. 29, 2002), attached to this letter as Exhibit G.

<sup>19</sup> Deposition of Stanley Kim (Nov. 20, 2013) at p. 102:13-23, attached to this letter as Exhibit F.

<sup>20</sup> Deposition of Stanley Kim (Nov. 20, 2013) at p. 106:16-25, attached to this letter as Exhibit F.

<sup>21</sup> Email exchange between BAAQMD and City of Santa Rosa Utilities Department, attached to this letter as Exhibit H.

<sup>22</sup> Id.

<sup>23</sup> Notices of Violation dated June 14, 2002 and June 21, 2006, attached to this letter as Exhibit I.

<sup>24</sup> Deposition of Stanley Kim (Nov. 20, 2013) at p. 145:10-146:23, attached to this letter as Exhibit F.

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November 20, 2013. Mr. Kim received notice weeks before the inspection occurred, yet the state of the Property can only be described as cluttered and filthy. This was especially true in the boiler room, where there was extensive evidence of deferred maintenance and water damage. Mr. Kim's lack of attention to housekeeping extends to his handling of PCE as shown by his multiple citations, and justifies the conclusion Stony Point Cleaners during his tenure has "[d]efinitely [been] a shop to keep an eye on."<sup>25</sup> This is also evidenced by the multiple complaints Dr. Paslin received relating to improper use and excessive PCE odor associated with Mr. Kim's operation.<sup>26</sup>

Over the 17+ years that Mr. Kim has operated Stony Point Cleaners, his failure to change required filters and improper disposal methods have led to multiple citations from regulatory agencies. As his housekeeping indicates, and as recognized by his regulators and neighbors, there is little indication Mr. Kim has done anything "properly" in handling PCE wastes. This, combined with the characteristics of the contamination plume itself, show that most, if not all of the contamination occurred during Mr. Kim's tenure, and certainly occurred many years after SPA owned the Property.

## There is No Legal Basis to Name SPA on Any CAO Related to the Property:

While "dischargers" may be held strictly liable in actions under CAL. WATER CODE §§ 13304 and 13267, a showing of causation is required.<sup>27</sup> That is, where liability is premised on mere ownership of a facility, there must be evidence that a discharge occurred during that ownership.<sup>28</sup> In addition, any such discharge must represent a substantial factor in causing the contamination requiring a response.<sup>29</sup> To be a "substantial factor" in causing an alleged harm, there must be "some substantial link or

<sup>28</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Email exchange between BAAQMD and City of Santa Rosa Utilities Department, attached to this letter as Exhibit H.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> See complaints forwarded to Dr. Paslin's on-site representative, Terry Meckstroth, attached to this letter as Exhibit J.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> See e.g. CAL. WATER CODE § 13304(c)(1); Santa Clara Valley Water Dist. v. Olin Corp., 655 F.Supp.2d 1048, 1064 (N.D. Cal. 2009); see also City of Modesto Redevelopment Agency v. Superior Court (2004) 119 Cal.App.4<sup>th</sup> 28, 37-38 (construing §13304 in light of the common law principles bearing on nuisance and requiring causation); see also CAL. WATER CODE § 13267(b)(1) (requiring the Board to "identify the evidence that supports requiring [an alleged discharger] to provide [mandated] reports.").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> See e.g. Shaw v. County of Santa Cruz (2008) 170 Cal.App.4<sup>th</sup> 229, 278-279 (discussing causation requirement in nuisance actions).

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nexus" between the act and the injury.<sup>30</sup> "A mere possibility of such causation is not enough."<sup>31</sup>

As outlined in previous sections, Mr. Gribi conceded the boiler-room crack was the primary source of contamination, and there was no other significant source at the Property. Indisputable evidence shows the crack did not exist prior to 1996. As the only source of contamination identified by Mr. Gribi did not appear for more than a decade after SPA's ownership, there is "[no] possibility" of significant release during SPA's tenure. Therefore, SPA should not be named in any CAO related to the Property. Additionally, even, if we assume for the sake of argument there was a discharge during SPA's ownership, its "contribution to the contamination currently seen at the Property is either non-existent or negligible."<sup>32</sup> Thus, any such release cannot be a legal cause of the contamination.<sup>33</sup>

There is no evidence of PCE discharge during SPA's ownership, much less any evidence such a discharge "substantially contributed" to the contamination at the Property.<sup>34</sup> The "mere possibility" of causation is not enough.<sup>35</sup> Thus, SPA cannot be held liable for the contamination at the Property, and there is no legal basis to name SPA on any related CAO.<sup>36</sup>

## **Conclusion:**

For the reasons outlined above, SPA respectfully requests that the Board refrain from naming SPA in any CAO related to the Property. Please feel free to contact me if you require copies of any documents cited in this letter, or if you require any additional information to make your determination.

Very-truly yours

JESSE A. BOYD

<sup>30</sup> Saelzler v. Advanced Group 400 (2001) 25 Cal.4<sup>th</sup> 763, 778.

<sup>31</sup> *Id.* at 776.

 $^{32}$  Declaration of Murray Einarson at ¶ 3, attached to this letter as Exhibit E.

<sup>33</sup> Saelzler, 25 Cal.4<sup>th</sup> at 776, 778.

<sup>34</sup> Id.

<sup>35</sup> Id.

<sup>36</sup> Id.; see also Santa Clara Valley Water Dist., 655 F.Supp.2d at 1064.

**EXHIBIT F** 

## REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD NORTH COAST REGION

## **Technical Memorandum**

Date:	February 25, 2014
From:	Beth Lamb, C. <b>E</b> .G., CHg
Subject:	Response to Comments for Draft Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R1-2014-0018 for Stony Point Cleaners
File:	Stony Point Cleaners, 469 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa Case No. 1NSO898

## Background

On December 6, 2013, a draft of Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO) Order No. R1-2014-0018 was transmitted by the California North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) for Stony Point Cleaners at 469 Stony Point Road in Santa Rosa, California (Site). The Draft Order requires the dischargers to submit workplans for: 1) installation of interim remedial measures and 2) indoor air monitoring.

Comments were received from the following:

- 1. Christopher M. Mooney, Paul Hastings LLP, on behalf of Pacific Development Group and Pacific Investors Group (Pacific) letter received January 10, 2014.
- 2. Jesse A Boyd, Buty & Curliano LLP, on behalf of Stony Point Associates (SPA), letter received on January 13, 2014.
- 3. Jeffrey M. Curtiss, Stanzler Law Group, on behalf of Peter Suk, letter received January 10, 2014.
- 4. Vicki Maffei, M.A.F. Inc, letter received January 22, 2014.
- 5. Gregg Garrison, Garrison Law Corporation, on behalf of Ben Brett/ManAff, letter received February 10, 2014.

## **Staff's General Response to Comments:**

As stated in the CAO, past practices at the Site resulted in a release or releases of dry cleaning solvents to the subsurface. Specifically, concentrations of tetrachloroethene (PCE) have been detected in soil, soil vapor and groundwater at the Stony Point Shopping Center in Santa Rosa with the highest concentrations being detected near the boiler at the back of the active dry cleaning facility. It has been established in numerous technical documents that dry cleaners discharged PCE to the subsurface through a variety of mechanisms including dry cleaning equipment leakage, improper operation and maintenance, poor solvent storage and disposal practices, and permitted and unpermitted discharges to

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sanitary sewers or storm sewers. All former operators of the Stony Point Dry Cleaner facility used a dry cleaning solvent containing PCE and therefore are suspected of discharging PCE to the subsurface. Landowners are also responsible for discharges on their property whether or not they personally caused the discharge.

The CAO names all former property owners and all dry cleaner operators as dischargers without apportioning responsibility. Apportioning responsibility is not a function of the Regional or State Water Boards. Responsibility for cleanups under the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act is joint and several. (See In the Matter of the Petition of Union Oil Company of California, (SWRCB Order No. WQ 90-2).) The landowner is responsible for discharges on their property, regardless of whether that person caused or contributed to the discharge. (See e.g. In the Matter of the Petition of Wenwest (SWRCB Order No. WQ 92-13).)

## Summarized Comments:

- 1) M.A.F., Inc. First owner/operator of dry cleaner from March 1981 to October 1981.
  - Comment They were the first operator, only operated the facility for 3 months until sold in October 1981, and that they only bought 90 gallons of solvent to use in the machines.

Response – Improper use and disposal of 90 gallons of solvent in the time period M.A.F., Inc. operated could be sufficient to create the soil and groundwater impacts seen on this property.

2) SPA - Building owner from February 1, 1984 to May 24, 1985.

• Comment –No evidence of PCE discharges during SPA tenure 1984 to 1985 (16 months).

Response – There is evidence that there were multiple sources for soil and groundwater contamination. It is not possible to date the age of all the releases. Standard dry cleaning operations prior to enforcement of regulations were known to have impacted soil and groundwater.

• Comment – The contamination plume is not older than 20 years based on the lateral and vertical extent combined with the calculated groundwater velocity and relatively low concentrations of chemicals.

Response – There is insufficient data to come to this conclusion. The plume is not completely defined and groundwater velocity is unknown. It is unknown what quantity of solvent was discharged, where the discharge occurred, or what biological and chemical degradation processes control this plume. Response to Comments Stony Point Cleaners

• Comment - Contamination was caused by the current operator.

Response – The first inspection of the property was in 1987 when City of Santa Rosa Fire Department inspected the facility. There is no evidence to show that prior to the first inspection that earlier operators were not using the same practices which led to a release to the subsurface. Soil sampling shows that there may have been multiple sources of contamination including sewer discharges, dripping or spills inside the building, disposal into the dumpster, and a discharge to the planter outside the dry cleaner.

• Comment – No legal basis to name SPA on the CAO because a showing of causation is required under Water Code 13304 and 13267.

Response – Under Water Code section 13267, the Regional Water Board may require technical or monitoring reports from "any person who has discharged, discharges, or is suspected of having discharged or discharging, or who proposes to discharge waste within its region...." Under Water Code section 13304, "any person who has caused or permitted, causes or permits, or threatens to cause or permit any waste to be discharged or deposited where it is, or probably will be, discharged into waters of the state...shall upon order of the regional board, clean up the waste or abate the effects of the waste...." As stated above, former owners and operators of the Stony Point Dry Cleaner facility used a dry cleaning solvent containing PCE and therefore are suspected of discharging PCE to the subsurface. Landowners are also responsible for discharges on their property whether or not they personally caused the discharge because they "permit" or threaten to permit discharges. This is sufficient for the Regional Water Board to exercise its authorities under these code sections.

- 3) Peter Suk Dry cleaner operator from 1989 to 1996.
  - Comment No evidence that there was a release during time Mr. Suk operated the dry cleaner from 1989 to 1996.

Response – The operator used a solvent containing PCE. Standard dry cleaning operations, poor housekeeping and accidental releases prior to enforcement of regulations were known to have impacted soil and groundwater. There is evidence that there were multiple sources for soil and groundwater contamination. While it is not possible to date the age of all the releases, there is sufficient evidence to conclude that any operator using PCE caused or threatened to cause discharges.

- 4) Pacific Property owner from 1981 to 1984.
  - Comment There was evidence of PCE release during current ownership and operations.

Response – There is evidence that there were multiple sources for soil and groundwater contamination. It is not possible to date the age of all the releases. Standard dry cleaning operations prior to enforcement of regulations were known to have impacted soil and groundwater. Even after regulations were put in place, an unauthorized release can occur which is evidence by the finding in 2002 that wastewater containing PCE was found in the sewer lateral at Stony Point Cleaners.

• Comment – There is a lack of evidence of PCE release during prior ownership and operations.

Response – There is no evidence that there was not a release. Most dry cleaners of this age had releases to the subsurface. Some standard operating procedures like disposing of condensate water into bathroom sinks were common but were later found to have caused soil and groundwater contamination.

• Comment – Historical operations and onsite testing and sampling results refute Dr. Paslin's clams of pre-1987 releases.

Response – Staff does not agree. The first inspection at this site was conducted in 1987 by the Santa Rosa Fire department. However, prior to that time standard practices may have resulted in a release at the site either through improper or proper use of chemicals. The fact that in 2002 there was evidence of improper disposal does not preclude the fact that these practices were a continuation of earlier practices. Staff does not have the data to date the release or more likely releases to the subsurface.

- 5) Ben Brett Current property owner.
  - Comment All parties that owned the facility from 1981 to May 1985 are jointly and severally liable for the PCE contamination based on Federal and State Court rulings.

Response – Staff concurs.

• Comment – Owners and operators were out of compliance with Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) regulations which required cradle to grave management of hazardous materials.

Response –There is no evidence of any compliance with RCRA until the site was first inspected by Santa Rosa Fire Department in 1987.

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**The CAO is being issued as the draft was written.** All named dischargers have the option of petitioning to the State Water Board, as stated in the CAO:

"Any person affected by this action of the Board may petition the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to review the action in accordance with Water Code section 13320 and California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 2050. The petition must be received by the State Water Board within 30 days of the date of this Order. Copies of the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions will be provided upon request. In addition to filing a petition with the State Water Board, any person affected by this Order may request the Regional Water Board to reconsider this Order. To be timely, such request must be made within 30 days of the date of this Order. Note that even if reconsideration by the Regional Water Board is sought, filing a petition with the State Water Board within the 30-day period is necessary to preserve the petitioner's legal rights. If the Dischargers choose to appeal the Order, the Dischargers are advised that they must comply with the Order while the appeal is being considered."

## EXHIBIT G

## California Regional Water Quality Control Board North Coast Region

## CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT ORDER No. R1-2014-0018

For

## DAVID PASLIN (DBA BEN BRETT), MANAFF (MANAGEMENT AFFILIATES), PACIFIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP PACIFIC INVESTORS GROUP STONY POINT ASSOCIATES M.A.F. ENTERPRISES INC., ELMER B. (PAT) KNAPP AND JEANNETTE (JAN) HERRON KNAPP SEUNG UI (TIM) HAHN AND YOUNG HAHN PETER SUK AND HELEN SUK AND STANLEY KIM AND DO W LEE STONY POINT CLEANERS 469 STONY POINT ROAD SANTA ROSA CALIFORNIA

Sonoma County

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region (hereinafter Regional Water Board), finds that:

- Stony Point Cleaners is located at 469 Stony Point Road, in Santa Rosa California, Sonoma County Assessor's Parcel No. 146-040-027-000 (Site). David Paslin (dba Ben Brett) is the current property owner, and Stanley Kim and Do W Lee are the current operators of Stony Point Cleaners.
- 2. Stony Point Cleaners has been in operation since June 1981. The initial facility operator was M.A.F. Enterprises Inc. In October 1981, the business was sold to Elmer B. (Pat) Knapp and Jeannette (Jan) Herron Knapp. Mr. and Mrs. Knapp operated Stony Point Cleaners until September 5, 1984 when the business was sold to Seung Ui (Tim) Hahn and Young Hahn. The Hahns operated the business until October 19, 1989. The Hahns sold Stony Point Cleaners to Peter and Helen Suk who operated the cleaners until April 18, 1996 when it was sold to the current owners.
- 3. In May 1981, when Stony Point Cleaners started operation, the property was owned by the Pacific Development Group. On February 22, 1982, Pacific Development group sold the property to Pacific Investment Group. On February 1, 1984, Pacific Investment Group sold the commercial property to Stony Point Associates who, in May 31, 1985, sold the property to the current owner.
- 4. All former operators and owners of the property are hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Dischargers."

- 5. Past practices at the Site resulted in a release or releases of dry cleaning solvents to the subsurface. In July 2006, subsurface borings installed adjacent to Stony Point Cleaners detected tetrachloroethene (PCE) in soil and groundwater. Since that time numerous soil, soil vapor, and groundwater samples have been collected and analyzed to determine the vertical and lateral extent of contamination associated with a release of the dry cleaning solvent PCE.
- 6. The highest concentrations of PCE have been detected near the boiler at the back of the Stony Point Cleaners facility. Soil vapor sampling has detected concentrations of PCE at 4,565,094 micrograms per cubic meter ( $\mu$ g/m3) in a sample taken at 4 feet below the floor of the dry cleaner. This indicates that there is a potential for worker exposure to elevated concentrations of PCE in the indoor air. An evaluation of the indoor air quality is now needed.
- 7. Groundwater sampling from both shallow (between 5 and 15 feet below ground surface, bgs) and deep (25 to 30 feet bgs) monitoring wells show that the highest concentrations of PCE are from wells constructed inside the building. Specifically, during the most recent monitoring event (March 28, 2013), a groundwater sample from shallow well MW-1S detected concentrations of PCE at 8,700 parts per billion (ppb) and groundwater from deep monitoring well MW-1 detected concentrations of PCE at 1,100 ppb. Both wells are located inside the dry cleaner building.
- 8. The chemical PCE is a human carcinogen, and is listed by the State of California, pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, as a chemical known to the State to cause cancer. PCE degrades to trichloroethene (TCE), cis and trans -1,2-dichloroethene (1,2-DCE), and vinyl chloride (VC). These breakdown products are also human carcinogens.
- 9. Interim remedial measures (IRMs) were proposed in *Revised Report of Remedial Investigation and Workplan for IRMs and Shallow Soil Gas and Groundwater Monitoring*, dated June 10, 2011, prepared by the environmental consulting firm Gribi Associates. Since that time additional characterization of the source area inside the dry cleaners has been conducted and now revisions to the proposed remedial measures are needed prior to begin cleanup of this property.
- 10. The Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region (Basin Plan) designates beneficial uses of the waters of the State, establishes water quality objectives to protect those uses, and establishes implementation policies to attain water quality objectives. The beneficial uses of areal groundwater include domestic, agricultural, and industrial supply.
- 11. The site is located within 1,500 feet of Santa Rosa Creek which is a tributary to the Laguna de Santa Rosa which flows into the Russian River. The existing and potential beneficial uses of the Laguna de Santa Rosa and the Russian River include:

- a. municipal and domestic supply
- b. agricultural supply
- c. industrial process supply
- d. groundwater recharge
- e. navigation
- f. water contact recreation
- g. non-contact water recreation
- h. commercial and sport fishing
- i. warm freshwater habitat
- j. cold freshwater habitat
- k. wildlife habitat
- l. migration of aquatic organisms
- m. spawning, reproduction, and/or early development
- n. fresh water replenishment
- o. estuarine habitat
- p. rare, threatened or endangered species.
- 12. The Dischargers have caused or permitted, cause or permit, or threaten to cause or permit waste to be discharged or deposited where it is, or probably will be, discharged into the waters of the state and creates, or threatens to create, a condition of pollution or nuisance. Continuing discharges are in violation of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act and provisions of the Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region (Basin Plan).
- 13. The California Water Code, and regulations and policies developed thereunder apply to the Site and require cleanup and abatement of discharges and threatened discharges of waste to the extent feasible. Discharge prohibitions contained in the Basin Plan also apply to this site. Specifically, the Basin Plan incorporates State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Resolutions No. 68-16, No. 88-63, and No. 92-49.
  - a. Water Code section 13267(b) authorizes the Regional Water Board to require dischargers and suspected dischargers to provide technical or monitoring program reports.
  - b. Water Code section 13304 authorizes the Regional Water Board to require dischargers to cleanup and abate the effects of discharged waste.
  - c. State Water Board Resolution No. 68-16 ("State of Policy with Respect to Maintaining High Quality Waters in California") protects surface and ground waters from degradation. It provides that high quality waters shall be maintained unless any change will be consistent with the maximum benefit to the people of the State, will not unreasonably affect present and anticipated beneficial uses and will not result in water quality less than that prescribed in the policies.

- d. State Water Board Resolution 88-63 requires Regional Water Boards to protect the beneficial use of groundwater as a source of drinking water. The Basin Plan establishes the beneficial use of groundwater as a source of drinking water for all areas within the North Coast Region. The Basin Plan identifies water quality objectives for petroleum constituent levels in groundwater to protect its beneficial use as a source of drinking water.
- e. State Water Board Resolution No. 92-49 ("Policies and Procedures for the Investigation and Cleanup of Discharges Under Section 13304 of the California Water Code") specifies that alternative cleanup levels greater than background concentration shall be permitted only if the discharger demonstrates that: it is not feasible to attain background levels; the alternative cleanup levels are consistent with the maximum benefit to the people of the State; alternative cleanup levels will not unreasonably affect present and anticipated beneficial uses of such water; and they will not result in water quality less than prescribed in the Basin Plan and Policies adopted by the State and Regional Water Board.
- 14. Water quality objectives in the Basin Plan are adopted to ensure protection of the beneficial uses of water. The most stringent water quality objectives for protection of all beneficial uses are selected as the protective water quality criteria. Alternative cleanup and abatement actions must evaluate the feasibility of, at a minimum: (1) cleanup to background levels, (2) cleanup to levels attainable through application of best practicable technology, and (3) cleanup to the level of water quality objectives for protection of beneficial uses. A table of applicable Water Quality Objectives for groundwater is incorporated in this Order as Attachment A.
- 15. The Regional Water Board will ensure adequate public participation at key steps in the remedial action process, and shall ensure that concurrence with a remedy for cleanup and abatement of the discharges at the site shall comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.) ("CEQA"). Because the Regional Water Board is unable, pursuant to Water Code section 13360, to direct the manner and method of compliance, the Regional Water Board will not have any plan for actual cleanup of the Site until the responsible parties have identified in a draft remedial action plan the proposed method of cleaning up the Site. Once the discharger has submitted a remedial action plan, the Regional Water Board will ensure that prior to granting concurrence with the final remedial action plan, it has complied with the requirements of CEQA. Until the Site has been investigated and a remedial action plan has been proposed, it is impossible for the Regional Water Board to identify and mitigate potentially significant adverse impacts associated with the cleanup of the Site. Because of the need to initiate investigation of the contamination of the Site before the Regional Water Board is able to identify how the Site will be cleaned up and any potentially significant impacts that could result to the environment from the cleanup, this CAO only requires immediate investigation of the Site, and defers actual cleanup until the Regional Water Board has concurred with a final remedial action plan and has complied with the requirements of CEQA.

- 16. Any person affected by this action of the Board may petition the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to review the action in accordance with Water Code section 13320 and California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 2050. The petition must be received by the State Water Board within 30 days of the date of this Order. Copies of the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions will be provided upon request. In addition to filing a petition with the State Water Board, any person affected by this Order may request the Regional Water Board to reconsider this Order. To be timely, such request must be made within 30 days of the date of this Order. Note that even if reconsideration by the Regional Water Board is sought, filing a petition with the State Water Board within the 30-day period is necessary to preserve the petitioner's legal rights. If the Dischargers choose to appeal the Order, the Dischargers are advised that they must comply with the Order while the appeal is being considered.
- 17. This Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO) in no way limits the authority of this Regional Water Board to institute additional enforcement actions or to require additional investigation and cleanup at the Site consistent with California Water Code. This CAO may be revised by the Executive Officer, as additional information becomes available.
- 18. Failure to comply with the terms of this Order may result in enforcement under the California Water Code. Any person failing to provide technical reports containing information required by this Order by the required date(s) or falsifying any information in the technical reports is, pursuant to Water Code section 13268, guilty of a misdemeanor and may be subject to administrative civil liabilities of up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each day in which the violation occurs. Any person failing to cleanup or abate threatened or actual discharges as required by this Order is, pursuant to Water Code section 13350(e), subject to administrative civil liabilities of up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) per day or ten dollars (\$10) per gallon of waste discharged.
- 19. Reasonable costs incurred by Regional Water Board staff in overseeing cleanup or abatement activities are reimbursable under Water Code section 13304 (c) (1).

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, pursuant to Water Code sections 13267 (b) and 13304, the Dischargers shall clean up and abate the discharge and threatened discharge forthwith and shall comply with the following provisions of this Order:

- A. Submit in a format acceptable to the Executive Officer a revised IRM Workplan within 45 days of the date of this order.
- B. Implement IRMs within 90 days of Executive Officer concurrence with the IRM Workplan revisions.
- C. Within 60 days of construction of IRMs, submit an installation and first remedial operational status report.

- D. Submit quarterly IRMs status reports within 30 days of the end of each calendar quarter.
- E. Submit an indoor air testing workplan to determine the human health risks to workers inside the building within 45 days of the date of this order.
- F. Upon completion of indoor air testing issue a public notice of all the results to all tenants, business owners, and property owners in the Stony Point Shopping Center.
- G. Conduct all work in accordance with all applicable local ordinances and under the direction of a California Professional Geologist or Civil Engineer experienced in soil and groundwater pollution investigations and remediation projects including chlorinated hydrocarbons. All work plans and reports must be signed and stamped by the licensed professional in responsible charge of the project. All necessary permits shall be obtained prior to conducting work.
- H. Comply with the requirements specified in Monitoring and Reporting Program Order No. R1-2013-0082.
- I. The Dischargers shall pay all cost recovery invoices within 30 days of issuance of the invoice.
- J. If, for any reason, the Dischargers are unable to perform any activity or submit any documentation in compliance with the work schedule contained in this Order or submitted pursuant to this Order and approved by the Executive Officer, the Dischargers may request, in writing, an extension of time. The extension request must be submitted a minimum of five business days in advance of the due date sought to be extended and shall include justification for the delay and a demonstration of a good faith effort to achieve compliance with the due date. The extension request shall also include a proposed time schedule with a new performance date for the due date in question and all subsequent dates dependent on the extension. An extension may be granted for good cause by written concurrence from the Executive Officer.
- K. Violations of any of the terms and conditions of this Order may subject Dischargers to possible enforcement action, including civil liability under applicable provisions of the Water Code.

	Original signed by
Ordered By:	
	Matthias St. John
	Executive Officer
	February 27, 2014
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Attachment A: Water Quality Objectives

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## Attachment A

#### **Table of Water Quality Objectives**

STONY POINT CLEANERS 469 STONY POINT ROAD SANTA ROSA CALIFORNIA Case No. 1NSO898

The California Water Code, and regulations and policies developed thereunder require cleanup and abatement of discharges and threatened discharges of waste to the extent feasible. Cleanup and abatement activities are to provide attainment of background levels of water quality or the highest water quality that is reasonable if background levels of water quality cannot be restored. Alternative cleanup levels greater than background concentration shall be permitted only if the discharger demonstrates that: it is not feasible to attain background levels; the alternative cleanup levels are consistent with the maximum benefit to the people of the State; alternative cleanup levels will not unreasonably affect present and anticipated beneficial uses of such water; and they will not result in water quality less than prescribed in the Basin Plan and Policies adopted by the State and Regional Water Board (State Water Resources Control Board Resolutions Nos. 68-16 and 92-49).

Water quality objectives in the Basin Plan are adopted to ensure protection of the beneficial uses of water. The Basin Plan provides that "whenever several different objectives exist for the same water quality parameter, the strictest objective applies". Accordingly, the most stringent water quality objectives for protection of all beneficial uses are selected as the protective water quality criteria. Alternative cleanup and abatement actions must evaluate the feasibility of, at a minimum: (1) cleanup to background levels, (2) cleanup to levels attainable through application of best practicable technology, and (3) cleanup to protective water quality criteria for waters of the State impacted by discharges from the identified constituents of concern:

Constituent of Concern	Practical Quantitation Limit µg/L	Water Quality Objective µg/L	Reference for Objectives
Trichloroethene	< 0.5	1.7	California Public Health Goal (PHG) in Drinking Water (Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment) applied to GENBRAL water quality objective in the Basin Plan
Tetrachloroethene	< 0.5	0.06	California Public Health Goal (PHG) in Drinking Water (Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment) applied to GENERAL water quality objective in the Basin Plan
Cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	< 0.5	6	California Department of Health Services Maximum Contaminant Level applied to the CHEMICAL CONSTITUENTS water quality objective in the Basin Plan
Trans-1,2-dichloroethene	< 0.5	10	California Department of Health Services Maximum Contaminant Level applied to the CHEMICAL CONSTITUENTS water quality objective in the Basin Plan
1,1-Dichloroethene	< 0.5	6	California Department of Health Services Maximum Contaminant Level applied to the CHEMICAL CONSTITUENTS water quality objective in the Basin Plan
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	< 0.5	200	California Department of Health Services Maximum Contaminant Level applied to the CHEMICAL CONSTITUENTS water quality objective in the Basin Plan
Vinyl Chloride	< 0.5	0.05	California Public Health Goal (PHG) in Drinking Water (Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment) applied to GENERAL water quality objective in the Basin Plan

## EXHIBIT H

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September 4, 2013

Beth Lamb North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board 5550 Skylane Blvd, Suite A Santa Rosa, CA 95403

In Reference To:

Subject:

Stony Point Cleaners: 469 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, CA unauthorized PCE release site ("Site"); Case No. 1NS0898. Technical Report Submittal: *Report of PCE Source Area Investigation*, September 4, 2013.

Dear Ms. Lamb:

Via Geotracker and US Mail, please find enclosed herewith in connection with the abovereferenced property (Site) a copy of the above-referenced technical report prepared by Gribi Associates, Benicia, CA (Gribi). On behalf of the responsible parties, I declare under penalty of perjury that I have reviewed the information contained in the enclosed document and believe that it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

The report describes and documents the collection of eleven soil gas samples and seven soil samples from three shallow borings in the boiler room area at the north end of the Stony Point Cleaners facility. The source area investigation was recommended in the semi-annual groundwater monitoring report submitted to the Regional Board in April 2013 and was considered an extension of the remedial investigation (RI) work in progress under a June 18, 2010 RI workplan. At the Regional Board's request, a detailed scope of work was submitted to the Regional Board on August 1, 2013, by way of notification. The investigation results were needed for a mandatory settlement conference held on August 12, 2013, in connection with the ongoing litigation over liability.

According to a prior owner/operator of Stony Point Cleaners, during the early and mid 1980s (prior to enforcement of current hazardous waste management and hazardous materials storage regulations) contact water from the PCE' machine's water separator was collected in 5-gallon buckets, hand-carried into the boiler room, and discharged to the sanitary sewer system via a floor drain.

With this information in hand, Gribi conducted investigations to determine if this prior waste management practice resulted in subsurface PCE discharges. They found the floor drain in a difficult to reach location with access to the top obstructed by numerous pipes discharging wastewater from various sources.

On the basis of the investigation results, Gribi concluded that the primary PCE discharge point to the subsurface was at a low spot in the concrete slab floor just in front of the floor drain at the point most prone to receiving spillage during the manual discharge of contact water to the drain. In particular they discovered there was a crack in the 4-inch thick concrete slab floor crossing the low spot that acted as a preferential pathway for contaminant migration. The soil gas sample collected at 4 feet directly below the crack contained 4,565,094 ug/m3 PCE and the soil sample collected at 1.5 feet contained 170 ppm PCE and had a strong solvent odor. As part of the investigation, Gribi North Coast Regional Water Ouality Control Board September 4, 2013 Page 2 of 2

measured the width of the crack as it passed through the low spot at 7 mm and tested the rate of gravity drainage into the subsurface via the crack at 10 ml/sec.

On the basis of the above, Gribi is recommending that currently-proposed IRMs be more focused on remediating the identified primary discharge point in the boiler room, to include removal and replacement of a portion of the rear wall to facilitate access to the boiler room and focused removal of contaminated soil in the area of the identified primary PCE discharge point. Toward that end, Gribi is recommending an addendum to the June 2010 IRM workplan.

Anticipating Regional Board approval of the recommendation to amend the IRM workplan, we have authorized Gribi to complete this task.

We appreciate the Regional Board's patience in this matter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 408-677-3307 with any questions you may have. Thank you for your ongoing courtesy and cooperation.

Sincerely,

ian Kelleher

Project coordinator

Cc w partial enclosures or no enclosures via e-mail and/or US mail Ben Brett: Gregg S. Garrison, R.E.A. & C.E.I, Attorney at Law; Pacific Investments,/Pacific Development, c/o Paul, Hastings, Janofsky, & Walker; Stony Point Associates, c/o Buty & Curliano LLP; Elmer B (Pat) Knapp and Jeanette Herron aka Jeanette (Jan) Knapp; Tim, Seoung and Young Hahn, Creekside Dry Cleaners; Maffee (former operator dba Stony Point Cleaners); Tom Scott, General Manager, Oliver's Market; CVS Caremart, c/o Diana Boiselle, Lease Administrator; Jim Gribi, Gribi Associates (cover letter only).

EXHIBIT I



September 4, 2013

Ben Brett/Manaff c/o Brian Kelleher Kelleher & Associates Environmental Mgmt LLC 5655 Silver Creek Valley Road PMB 281 San Jose, CA 95138

# Subject:Report of PCE Source Area InvestigationStony Point Cleaners, 469 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, CaliforniaNCRWQCB Case No. 1NSO898, Geotracker Global ID No. SL0609767669

Dear Mr. Brett:

Gribi Associates is pleased to submit this *Report of PCE Source Area Investigation* on behalf of Ben Brett/Manaff and other parties of interest for the property located at 469 Stony Point Road in Santa Rosa, California (Site) (see Figure 1 and Figure 2). This report describes and documents the collection of eleven soil gas samples and seven soil samples from three shallow borings in the boiler room area at the north end of the Stony Point Cleaners facility. The source area investigation was recommended in the semi-annual groundwater monitoring report submitted to the Regional Board in April 2013 and was considered an extension of the remedial investigation (RI) work in progress under a June 18, 2010 RI workplan. At the Regional Board's request, a detailed scope of work was submitted to the Regional Board on August 1, 2013, by way of notification. The investigation results were needed for a mandatory settlement conference held on August 12, 2013, in connection with the ongoing litigation over liability.

## 1.0 BACKGROUND AND PROJECT APPROACH

Previous Site investigations revealed elevated concentrations of tetrachloroethylene (PCE, or "perc") in shallow soil, groundwater, and soil vapor emanating from the north end of the Stony Point Cleaners facility. Based on information provided to the project coordinator during a March 2013 interview with a former Stony Point Cleaners operator, there is evidence that prior to approximately 1987, water condensate from the dry cleaning machine (contact water) was collected in 5-gallon buckets approximately once per week, hand carried into the boiler room and poured into a floor drain. This recollection of events by the former operator is substantiated by Santa Rosa Fire Department records showing that in February 1987 the facility was visited by a hazardous material storage inspector who first informed the operator of his obligations to comply with the City of Santa Rosa hazardous materials storage ordinance adopted in the mid 1980s. The hazardous material storage ordinance required compliance with all hazardous waste regulations subject to permitting and annual inspections, including the need to segregate and

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treat contact water prior to discharge into the sewer. Considering the encumbered location of the drain coupled with the presence of multiple pipes entering it from the top obstructing access, some degree of spillage onto the boiler room floor was inevitable, particularly considering the absence of any awareness of the consequences.

In order to assess potential PCE subsurface releases from floor drain spillage within the boiler room, we adopted a project approach which included conducting detailed inspections of the boiler room both before and after sampling, then collecting shallow soil gas samples at the north end of the dry cleaning facility to attempt to identify sub-slab PCE "hot spots," and finally, conducting soil sampling in identified "hot spot" areas.

## 2.0 DESCRIPTION OF SOIL VAPOR AND SOIL SAMPLING ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS

On July 31, 2013, Gribi Associates conducted a detailed inspection of the boiler room and the north end of the dry cleaning facility. During this inspection, we noted one southwest-trending floor crack in the boiler room beginning at the southwest corner of the floor drain, and one eastwest trending crack south of the boiler room adjacent to the dry cleaning machine. It was also noted that the floor drain in the boiler room is raised 1.5 inches above the surrounding concrete slab flooring, with a raised concrete skirt surrounding the metal drain and drain sump. There were several pipes entering the drain delivering waste water from various locations, including the boiler itself. The floor drain does not receive drainage from the floor and, because it is raised, is more appropriately called a floor sink.

## 2.1 Soil Vapor Sampling

Gribi Associates contracted Optimal Technologies to conduct soil vapor sampling and mobile lab analysis at eleven locations (SG-A through SG-D, SG-F through SG-H, and SG-J through SG-N) on August 2, 2013 (see Figure 3). Soil gas sampling consisted of advancing a hollow soil gas sampling rod with retractable screened sampling tip to the desired depth, and then retracting the tip to allow for soil gas sampling. Sampling depth was determined individually at each sampling point based on flow, with sampling conducted only if sufficient flow was attainable. Vapor sampling depths ranged from 3.0 feet to 5.0 feet below ground surface. After allowing the sample train to equilibrate for several minutes, the soil gas sample was collected after purging approximately three times the internal volume of the sample train. Soil gas samples were collected in clean, glass syringes and injected directly into Optimal Technology's mobile lab equipment for gas chromatographic analysis. Soil gas samples were analyzed for halogenated volatile organic compounds (HVOCs) by EPA Method 8021B. During sampling, a tracer gas, isobutane in shaving cream, was placed adjacent to the sampling apparatus, and isobutane was included in the lab analysis for each sample. A more detailed description of field methods is contained in the Optimal Technology sampling and laboratory data reports, included in Attachment A.

Results of the soil gas survey are summarized on Figure 4. Vapor PCE concentrations ranged from 2,022 ug/m3 at SG-0, located just outside the rear wall of the boiler room, to 4,565,094



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ug/m3 at SB-D, located directly in front of the floor drain and intercepting an open crack in the floor. The median concentration for the eleven samples was 341,534 ug/m3. Relative to the median, the following results indicated three possible points of discharge:

- 2 feet southwest of the floor sink/drain: SG-D at 4,565,094 ug/m3, adjacent to the crack in the floor;
- **6** feet west of boiler room floor sink/drain: SG-B at 1,641,386 ug/m3); and.
- I foot west of the floor sink/drain: SG-C, at 804,984 ug/m3 located just a few feet north of SG-D.

## 2.2 Shallow Soil Sampling

On August 9, 2013, Gribi Associates collected soil samples from three shallow borings (B-A, B-B, and B-C) located at or near the three possible points of discharge identified via soil vapor sampling (see Figure 3). Soil sampling consisted of, first, coring through the concrete using a coring machine, and then digging to the desired depth using hand tools (digging bar and hand auger). Photos 1 and 2 in Attachment B collectively show the obstructed floor sink/drain and the three boring locations. Two soil samples were collected from borings B-A and B-B, and three samples were collected from boring B-C. All soil samples were preserved in the field utilizing EPA Method 5035 (Close-System Purge and Trap and Extraction). This method involves using a specialized soil sampler to collect a known amount of soil (approximately 5 grams) and placing this soil in a VOA containing a pre-measured amount a liquid solvent (for each sample, two VOAs with methanol and one VOA with sodium bisulfate). The VOA is then quickly sealed, labeled, and placed in cold storage for transport to the laboratory.

The slab itself was 4 inches thick and was underlain by a layer of plastic sheeting (membrane) that comprised a moisture barrier. Due to the coring, Gribi personnel could not tell the condition of the membrane at the boring locations. It is assumed, however, that the moisture barrier membrane was breached during the installation of the nearby floor drain slab if not by chronic exposure to the solvent properties of liquid or vapor phase PCE.

Soils beneath the concrete slab flooring generally consisted of approximately 4 inches of medium-grained sand, followed by silty coarse gravel to total depths investigated. Moderate to strong solvent odors were noted in boring B-C in the silty gravel (below the sub-slab sand), starting at about 10 inches below the floor. No solvent odors were noted in soils in borings B-A or B-B.

Soil laboratory analytical results are summarized in Table 1 and on Figure 4. The laboratory data report is contained in Attachment C.



SUMMARY OF SOIL LABORATORY ANALYTICAL RESULTS Stony Point Cleaners										
Sample	Sample _	C	oncentration, in	ı milligrams pe	r kilogram (mg/k	g)				
D	Depth	PCE -	тсе	c-1,2-DCE	• t-1,2-DCE	vc				
B-A-0.5'	0.5 ft	0.038	<0.0050	< 0.0050	< 0.0050	<0.0050				
B-A-1.0'	1.0 ft	0.520	0.012	< 0.0050	< 0.0050	<0.0050				
B-B-1.0'	1.0 ft	0.820	< 0.0087	<0.0087	<0.0087	< 0.0087				
B-B-1.5'	1.5 ft	10	0.014	<0.0044	<0.0044	<0.0044				
B-C-0,5'	0.5 ft	0.063	<0.0093	<0.0093	<0.0093	<0.0093				
B-C-1.0'	1.0 ft	85	0.031	<0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050				
B-C-1.5'	1.5 ft	170	0.056	< 0.0050	<0.0050	<0.0050				

PCE = Tetrachloroethylene

TCE = Tetrachloroethylene

c-1,2-DCE = cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene

t-1,2-DCE = trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene

VC = Vinyl Chloride

<0.0050 = Not detected above the expressed value

Highly elevated PCE concentrations were encountered in soil samples collected at 1.0 foot and 1.5 feet below ground surface in boring B-C, located at the floor crack just southwest of the sink/drain. A moderate PCE concentration was encountered at 1.5 feet in depth in boring B-B, located immediately west of the floor sink/drain. Boring B-B is little more than a foot away from B-C and from the floor crack, and the PCE contamination at B-B is considered to be associated with the same discharges via the crack.

## 3.0 DESCRIPTION AND ASSESSMENT OF FLOOR DRAIN AND FLOOR CRACKS

## 3.1 Initial Assessment, August 9, 2013

During soil sampling on August 9, 2013, Gribi Associates inspected the floor drain and associated floor crack in the northeast corner of the boiler room. Photo 1 in Attachment B shows boring B-C intercepting the crack. The crack radiates from the southwest corner of the floor sing/drain and extends southwesterly about six feet toward the boiler.

The crack was carefully inspected before and after the coring. It was observed to penetrate the 4-inch-thick slab from top to bottom. The portion of the crack where it was intercepted by the boring was observed to be greater than 2 millimeter (mm) wide.

## 3.2 Detailed Assessment, August 23, 2013

On August 23, 2013, Gribi Associates conducted a detailed assessment of the floor drain and cracks in the boiler room. This assessment included: (1) Thorough inspection of all floor areas



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in the boiler room; (2) Measurement of floor crack widths; (3) Elevation survey of the concrete floor to delineate drainage patterns; and (4) Water pour testing to assess actual flow into floor cracks.

## 3.2.1 Inspection of Floor Areas

A thorough inspection of the floor area revealed the presence of a seam in the concrete enclosing a rectangular area measuring approximately 6 feet by 2.5 feet and which surrounds the floor sink and drain and the water heater area. The width of this seam is variable, generally ranging from 4 to 8 mm, and the seam appears to have been sealed. This rectangular area appears to have been cut out of the main concrete floor when the floor sink/drain was installed and connected to the main sewer line at the inception of the dry cleaning business. As shown on Figure 3, the main sewer line for the Site building runs beneath the north side of the Site building, just south of the sink/drain location, which accounts for the large size of the rectangular cut out.

The sink/drain area is raised approximately 1.5 inches above the surrounding floor surface. The sink/drain is constructed of metal, and a fairly significant gap is present at the southwest corner of the sink, where the concrete lip appears to have degraded away from the metal sink. The crack that propagates southwest from the southwest edge of the metal sink begins where this concrete degradation has occurred. This crack appears to end at the sealed concrete seam and moves "en-echelon" approximately four inches southward before again beginning to propagate southwestward.

## 3.2.2 Measurement of Floor Crack Widths

Widths of the southwesterly floor crack, which are shown on Figure 5, vary from 0.5 millimeter (mm) to approximately 7 millimeters. The crack is widest, at about 7 mm, just southwest of the sink/drain and generally decreases in width away from the sink/drain area. A feeler gauge was extended into the cracks and generally extended more than two inches into the crack in the thickest locations. Also, the photos of the B-C boring location, taken on August 9 after coring through the concrete, clearly show that the crack extends fully through the 4-inch thick slab. The measured crack widths, which are typically greater than 2 mm, are classified by U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) standards as wide.<sup>1</sup> Crack widths increase moving toward the floor sink/drain.

## 3.2.3 Measurement of Floor Elevations

Relative floor elevations were measured to the nearest millimeter using a laser level. These measurements, which are shown on Figure 5, indicate a low spot in the floor between the compressor and the sink/drain area, just northwest of the floor crack. Also, the southeast side of the floor crack is approximately 1 mm higher than the northwest side of crack. The overall elevation differences in the boiler room are generally less than 5 mm.

<sup>1</sup> Types of Cracks in Concrete and Typical Causes, US General Services Administration, Procedure Code 0373202S, 02/24/2012.



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Given the presence of the boiler, compressor, and water heater, all of which are very heavy, and stemming from the fact that the crack emanates from the corner of the floor sink/drain saw cut and runs diagonally away from the cut, the crack is presumed to fall under the category of tension cracking according to GSA classification. Thus, we conclude that the crack was caused by cutting out sections of rebar in an area of heavy load in installing the floor drain/sink and connecting it to the sanitary sewer line that runs under the building. This crack was observed to contain water, even though the surrounding floor was dry, clearly indicating that a nearby upstream section of the crack is actively draining the water currently leaking on the boiler room floor (see Attachment B Photo 1).

The crack is at its widest in proximity to the drain in the very area that was most prone to receiving spillage associated with haphazardly pouring 5-gallon buckets full of water into the only accessible area. In particular, there is a conspicuous low point in the area of most concern, where the crack in the floor is widest.

## 3.2.4 Water Pour Testing

Photos 3 through 8 in Attachment B were taken during the pour testing.

The initial pour test involved constructing a small (6-inch length) basin over the crack using modeling clay, then pouring 200 to 300 milliliters (ml) of water into the basin, and timing the water discharge into the crack. Results of this test were that the water discharged into the crack almost immediately and that, upon addition of more water, the crack continued to accept water. In this case, 300 ml of water discharged into the crack in less than 30 seconds.

The second pour test involved pouring 4 to 5 gallons of water onto the boiler room floor at the southwest edge of the sink/drain, and tracking flow and discharge visually. Results of this test were that water entered the section of the crack between the water heater and boring B-C, as well as the area of the crack just southwest from B-C, rapidly and steadily. In this case, most of the 4 to 5 gallons of water were absorbed into the floor crack within 3 to 4 minutes.

It is clear from these results that the majority of contact water spilled on the boiler room floor in the vicinity of the sink/drain would readily enter the subsurface via the floor crack immediately southwest of the sink/drain. Water from the pour test entered the crack so quickly that accidental spillage of contact water in the past would presumably have been unnoticed by the operator because it disappeared quickly, with minimal puddling on the floor.

## 4.0 CONCLUSIONS

Results of this investigation clearly identified a primary PCE discharge point into the floor crack immediately southwest from the boiler room floor drain/sink, which was a primary containment area for PCE waste handling. In particular, it is concluded that:

1. The specific section of the transverse crack identified as the discharge point is the exact area that provided obstructed access to the obstructed top of the floor drain/sink. This is



identified as a breach in a hazardous waste handling primary containment area as well as a classic preferential contaminant migration pathway to the subsurface.

- 2. Using a U.S. government slab construction classification system, the crack is considered wide and is tentatively identified as a tension crack that was caused by breaching the rebar in installing the floor drain/sink in an area of very heavy load. On this basis, it is assumed to date to the time of dry cleaning tenant improvements.
- 3. Given the absence of any particular concern by the previous operators about spilling contact water on the boiler room floor in the early and mid 1980s, coupled with the obstructed access to the sink/drain and the inherent susceptibility to spillage using 5-gallon buckets to accomplish the discharge, it is concluded that, with each discharge to the sink/drain, there was some degree of spillage onto the floor in the exact area of the crack and, as such, many occasions of substantial spillage.
- 4. There was sufficient PCE in the spilled contact water to account for much of the PCE distribution discovered in the subsurface during the course of remedial investigations. According to published sources, PCE contact water typically contains PCE levels that approach or exceed the saturation point (150 milligrams per liter) and, upon cooling, typically form some dense separate phase.
- 5. By operator accounts, PCE discharges to the subsurface within the boiler room occurred approximately weekly during the period from when PCE dry cleaning operations commenced in 1981 through approximately 1987 when the operator was compelled to get a hazardous material storage permit and comply with applicable regulatory requirements for hazardous waste management, including segregation and treatment of the contact water.
- 6. The PCE discharges occurred when a portion of the spilled contact water puddled or otherwise wetted the floor in the area of the preferential migratory pathway and then drained/seeped by gravity into the subsurface after traveling a mere 4 inches through the concrete floor.
- 7. Once the PCE-contaminated water entered the subsurface, the liquid phase rapidly percolated into the permeable strata underlying the slab and ultimately entered the perched water zone, creating the recalcitrant shallow and deeper groundwater plumes depicted in Figures 6 and 7. In addition, vapor phase PCE emanating from impacted soil and groundwater migrated vertically and laterally via preferential pathways, creating much of the recalcitrant PCE vapor plume depicted in Figure 8.
- 8. The contact water was intended to be discharged entirely to the sanitary sewer rather than to the subsurface, and the primary containment area was presumed tight. On this basis, the repeated small volume PCE discharges to the subsurface were unintended/accidental.
- 9. Upon the contact water entering the crack, the aqueous phase PCE discharges to the subsurface occurred quickly via gravity drainage/seepage. Due to the infiltration of contaminated water into the pores of the concrete and to the retention of minor amounts of contaminated water in the crack after the spill event ended, there was presumably a gradual diffusive vapor phase component associated with the escape of PCE from the contaminated concrete.



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10. The unintended discharges resulted from the failure to seal the boiler room floor before dry cleaning operations commenced in 1981, followed by repeated exposure to the same harmful conditions. The discharges could have been prevented by sealing the floor with a thick coat of epoxy resin.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

On the basis of the above conclusions, we recommend that currently-proposed IRMs be more focused on remediating the identified primary discharge point in the boiler room, to include removal and replacement of a portion of the rear wall to facilitate access to the boiler room and focused removal of contaminated soil in the area of the identified primary PCE discharge point. Toward that end, we propose to prepare an addendum to the June 2010 IRM workplan.

We appreciate this opportunity to provide this report for your review. Please contact us if there are questions or if additional information is required.

Very truly yours,

Matthew A. Rosman Project Engineer

Enclosure

June & A

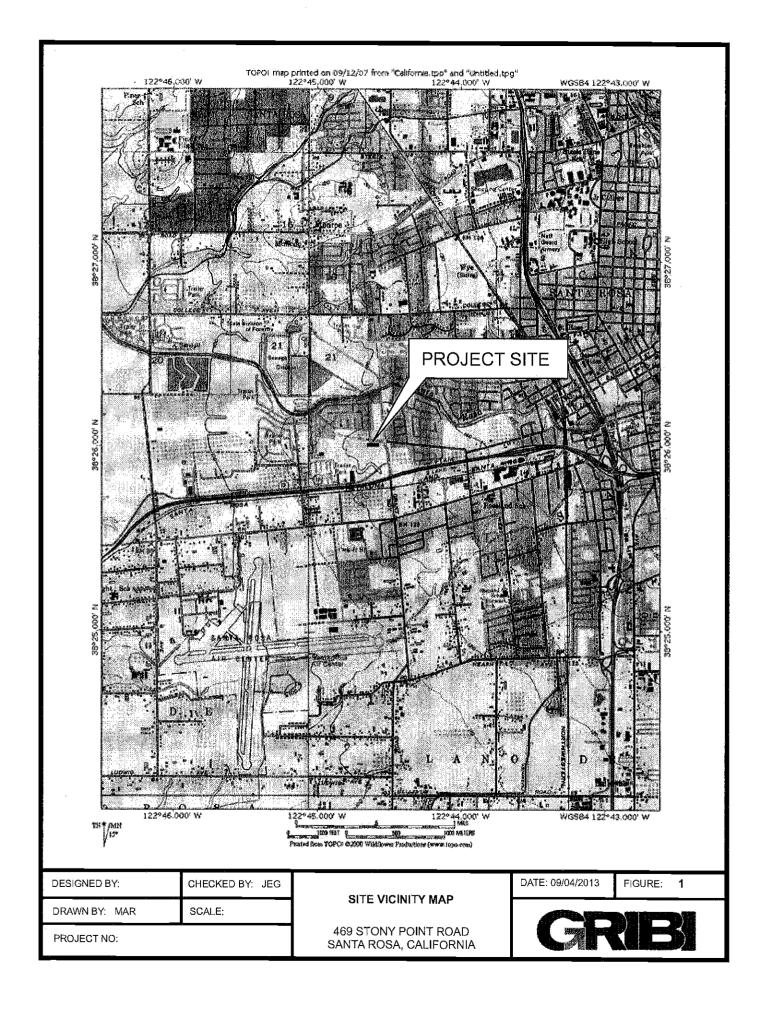
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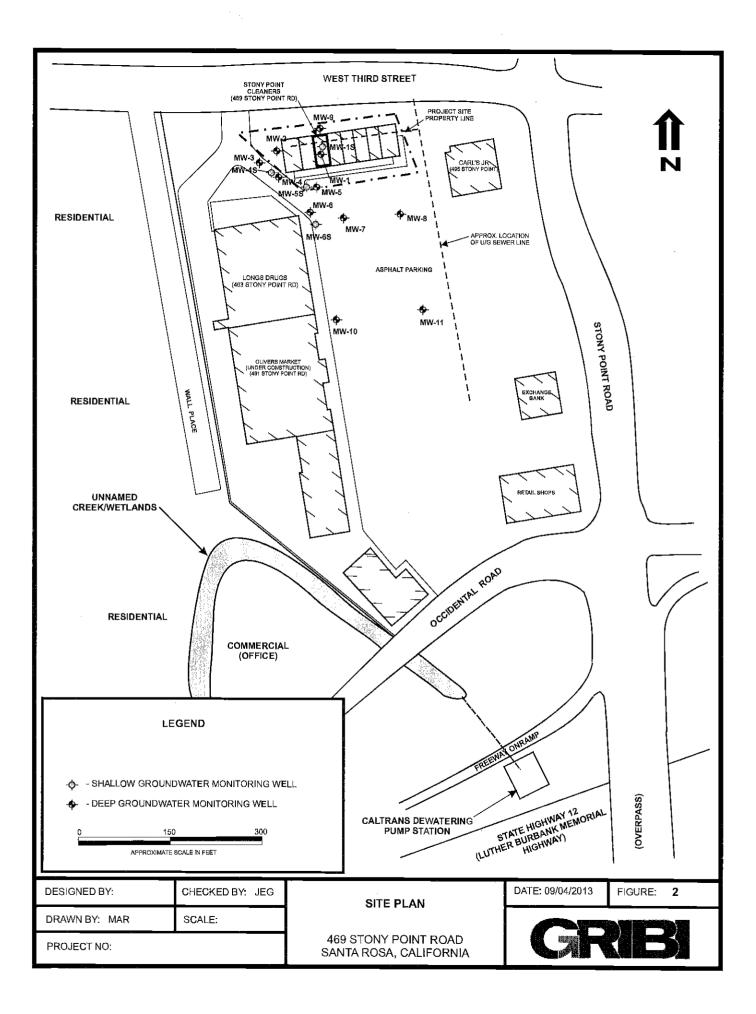


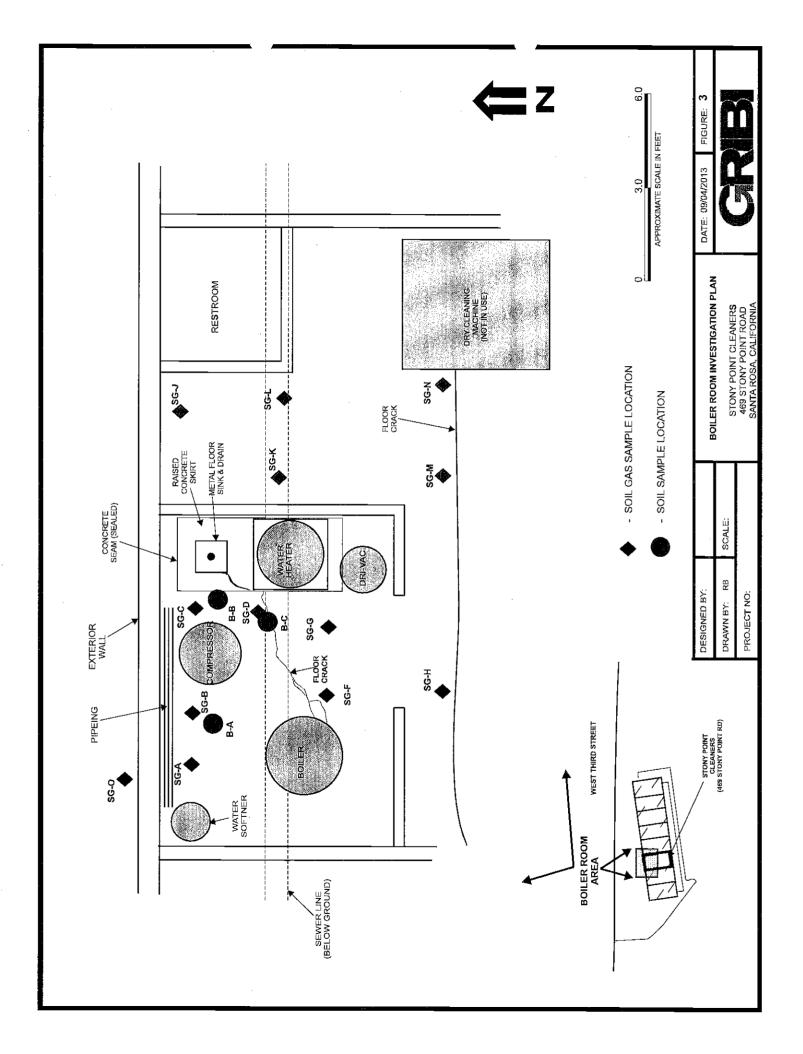


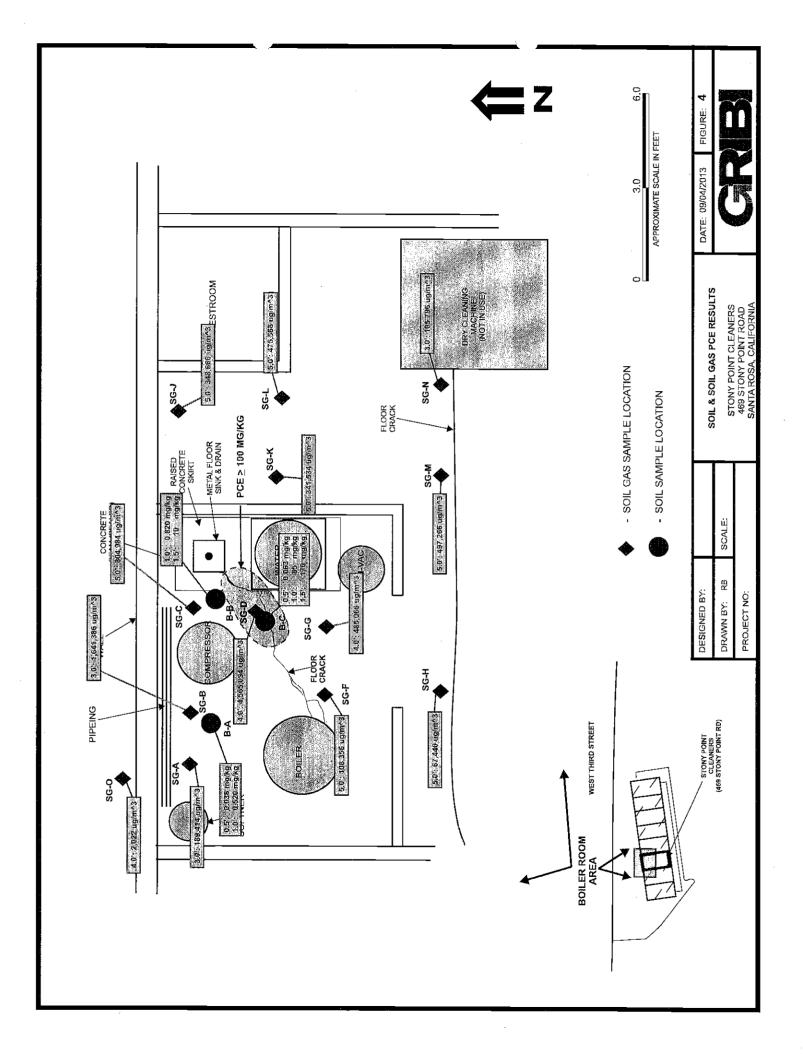
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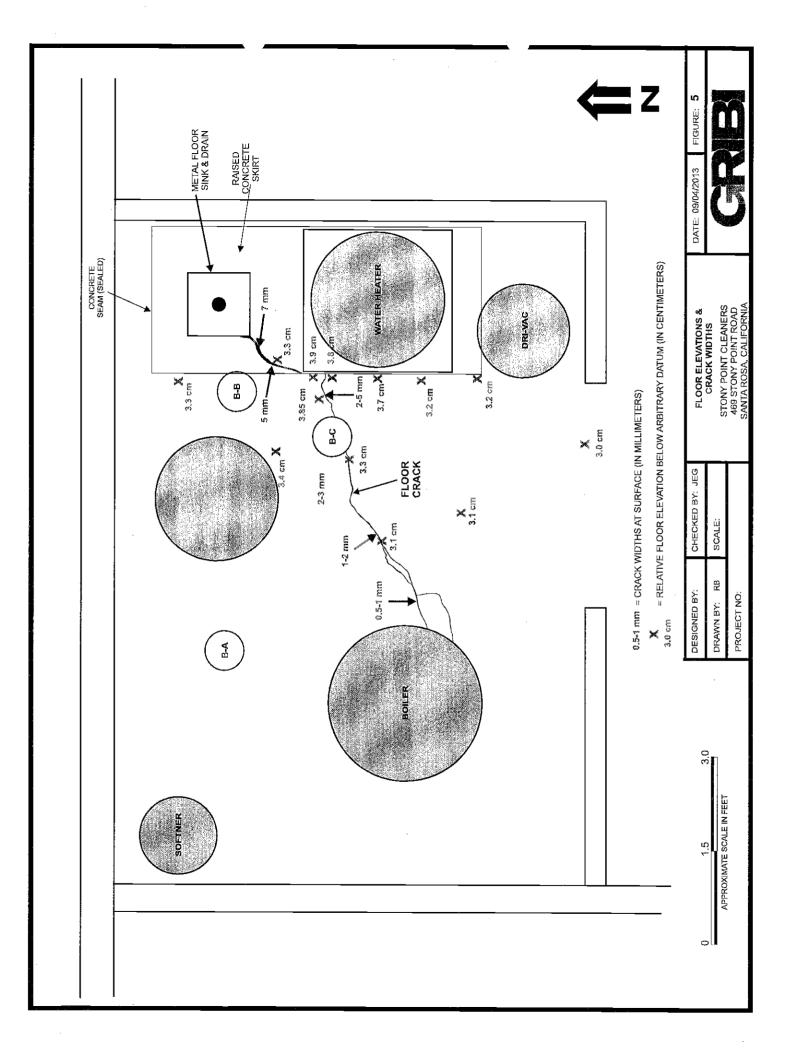


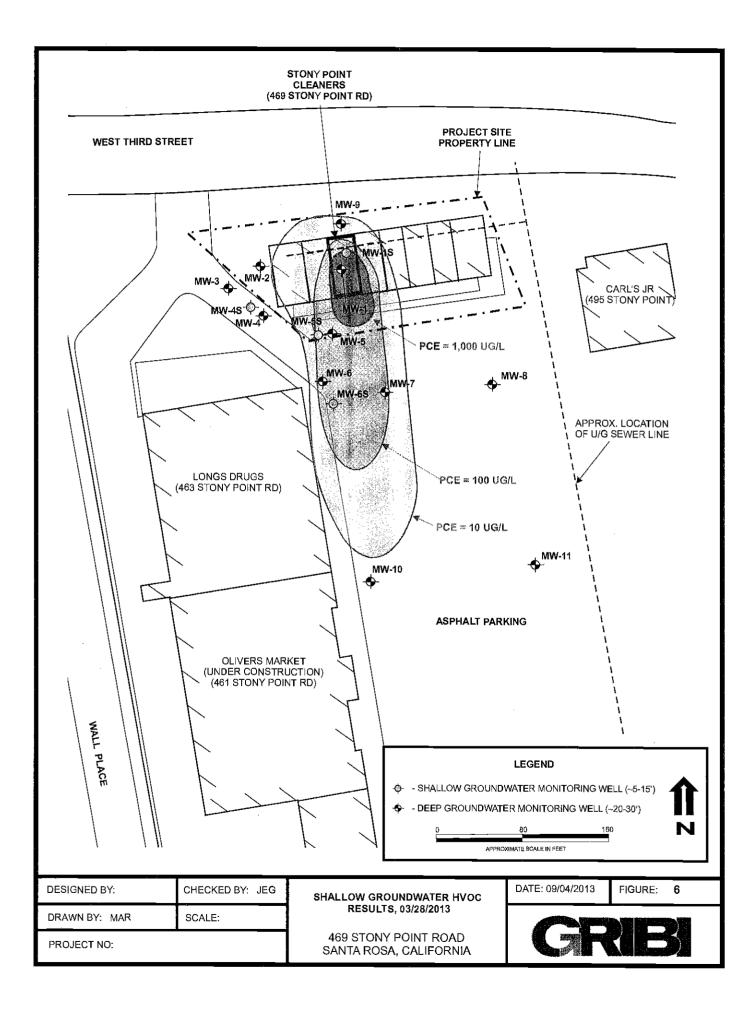


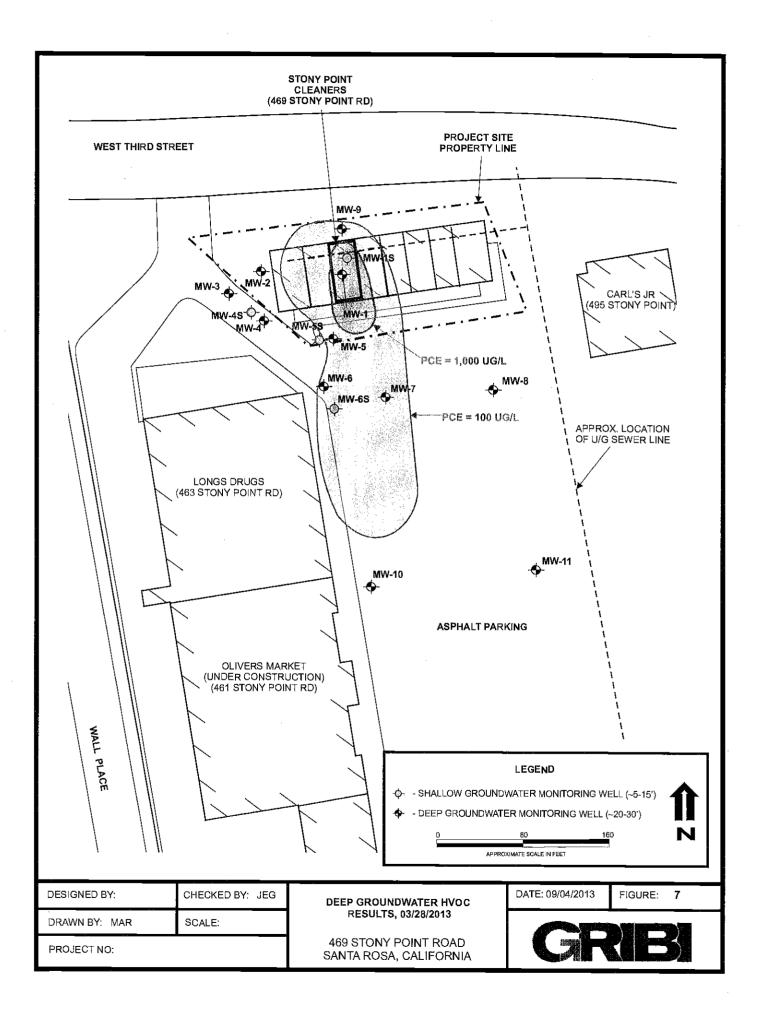


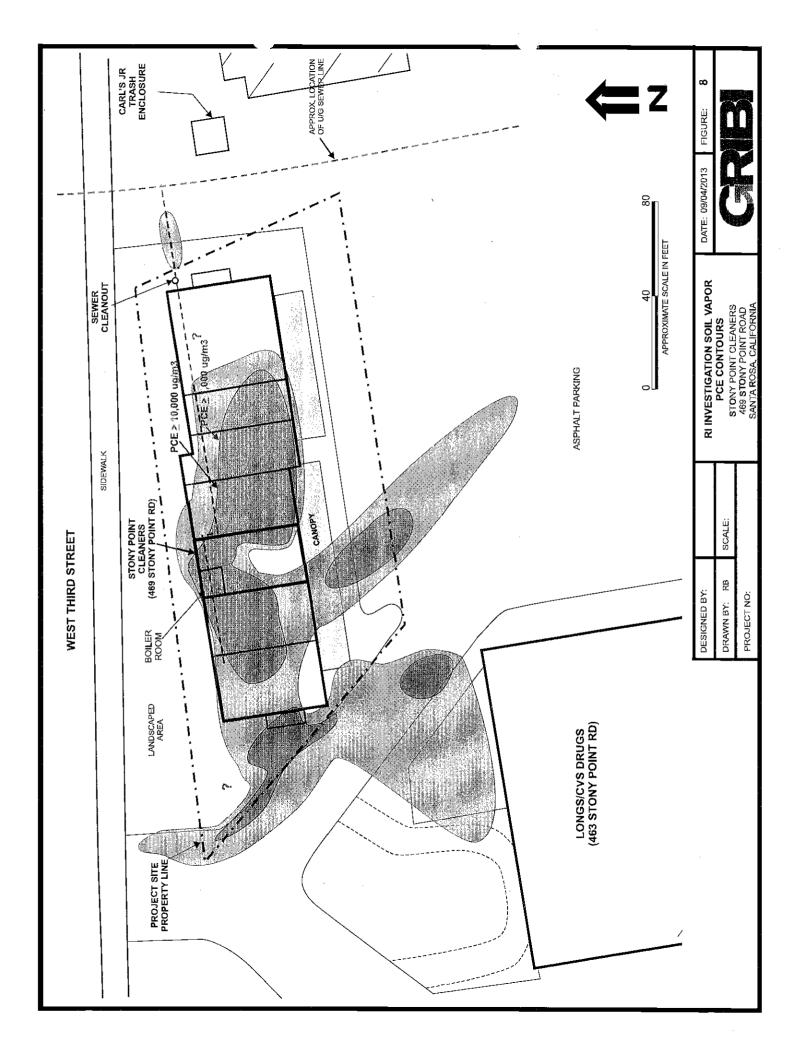












## ATTACHMENT A

## OPTIMAL TECHNOLOGY SOIL GAS SAMPLING REPORT





August 5, 2013

Mr. Matt Rosman Gribi Associates 1090 Adams Street, Suite K Benicia, CA 94510

Dear Mr. Rosman:

This letter presents the results of the soil vapor investigation conducted by Optimal Technology (Optimal), for Gribi Associates on August 2, 2013. The study was performed at 469 Stoney Point Road, Santa Rosa, California.

Optimal was contracted to perform a soil vapor survey at this site to screen for possible chlorinated solvents and aromatic hydrocarbons. The primary objective of this soil vapor investigation was to determine if soil vapor contamination is present in the subsurface soil.

### Gas Sampling Method

Gas sampling was performed by hydraulically pushing soil gas probes to a depth of 3.0-5.0 feet below ground surface (bgs). An electric rotary hammer drill was used to drill a 1.0-inch diameter hole through the overlying surface to allow probe placement when required. The same electric hammer drill was used to push probes in areas of resistance during placement.

At each sampling location an electric vacuum pump set to draw 0.2 liters per minute (L/min) of soil vapor was attached to the probe and purged prior to sample collection. Vapor samples were obtained in SGE gas-tight syringes by drawing the sample through a luer-lock connection which connects the sampling probe and the vacuum pump. Samples were immediately injected into the gas chromatograph/purge and trap after collection. New tubing was used at each sampling point to prevent cross contamination.

All analyses were performed on a laboratory grade Hewlett Packard model 5890 Series II gas chromatograph equipped with a Hewlett Packard model 5971 Mass Spectra Detector and Tekmar LSC 2000 Purge and Trap. An SGE capillary column using helium as the carrier gas was used to perform all analysis. All results were collected on a personal computer utilizing Hewlett Packard's 5971 MS and chromatographic data collection and handling system.

### Quality Assurance

### 5-Point Calibration

The initial five point calibration consisted of 20, 50, 100, 200 and 500 ul injections of the calibration standard. A calibration factor on each analyte was generated using a best fit line method using the HP data system. If the  $r^2$  factor generated from this line was not greater than 0.990, an additional five point calibration would have been performed. Method reporting limits were calculated to be 10-1000 micrograms per cubic meter (ug/m<sup>3</sup>) for the individual compounds.

A daily calibration check and end of run calibration check was performed by preparing a calibration solution from a pre-mixed standard supplied by CPI International. The standard contained common halogenated solvents and aromatic hydrocarbons (see Table 1). The individual compound concentrations in the standards ranged between 0.025 nanograms per microliter (ng/ul) and 0.25 ng/ul.

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	TABLE 1	
Dichlorodifluoromethane	Carbon Tetrachloride	Chloroethane
Trichlorofluoromethane	1,2-Dichloroethane	Benzene
1,1-Dichloroethene	Trichloroethene	Toluene
Methylene Chloride	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	Ethylbenzene
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	Tetrachloroethene	m-/p-Xylene
1,1-Dichloroethane	Chloroform	o-Xylene
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	Vinyl Chloride
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	Freon 113
4-Methyl-2-Pentanone	Cyclohexane	Acetone
Chlorobenzene	2-Butanone	Isobutane

### Sample Replicates

A replicate analysis (duplicate) was run to evaluate the reproducibility of the sampling system and instrument. The difference between samples did not vary more than 20%.

#### Equipment Blanks

Blanks were run at the beginning of each workday and after calibrations. The blanks were collected using an ambient air sample. These blanks checked the septum, syringe, GC column, GC detector and the ambient air. Contamination was not found in any of the blanks analyzed during this investigation. Blank results are given along with the sample results.

#### Tracer Gas

A tracer gas was applied to the soil gas probes near each point of connection in which ambient air could enter the sampling system. These points include the top of the sampling probe where the tubing meets the probe connection and the surface bentonite seals. Isobutane was used as the tracer gas, found in common shaving cream. No Isobutane was found in any of the samples collected.

### Scope of Work

To achieve the objective of this investigation a total of 15 vapor samples were collected from 13 locations at the site. Sampling depths, vacuum readings, purge volume and sampling volumes are given on the analytical results page. All the collected vapor samples were analyzed on-site using Optimal's mobile laboratory.

### Subsurface Conditions

Subsurface soil conditions at this site were predominately silty-clay and clay from ground surface to 5.0 feet bgs. These soil conditions offered sampling flows at 0-45" water vacuum. Depth to groundwater was unknown at the time of the investigation.

#### Results

During this vapor investigation all fifteen samples contained levels of Tetrachloroethene (PCE). PCE levels ranged from 2,022 ug/m<sup>3</sup> at SG-O to 4,565,094 ug/m<sup>3</sup> at SG-D. Ten samples contained levels of Trichloroethene (TCE). TCE levels ranged from 180 ug/m<sup>3</sup> at SG-G to 16,374 ug/m<sup>3</sup> at SG-B. None of the other compounds listed in Table 1 above were detected above the listed reporting limits. A complete table of analytical results is included with this report.

### Disclaimer

All conclusions presented in this letter are based solely on the information collected by the soil vapor survey conducted by Optimal Technology. Soil vapor testing is only a subsurface screening tool and does not represent actual contaminant concentrations in either the soil and/or groundwater. We enjoyed working with you on this project and look forward to future projects. If you have any questions please contact me at (877) 764-5427.

Sincerely.

Attila Baly Project Manager



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### SOIL VAPOR RESULTS

Site Name: 469 Stoney Point Road, Santa Rosa, CA Analyst: A. Baly Collector: A. Baly

Method: Modified EPA 8260B

Lab Name: Optimal Technology Inst. ID: HP-5890 Series II Date: 8/2/13

Detector: HP-5971 Mass Spectrometer

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SAMPLE ID	BLANK-1	SG-J	\$G-L	SG-L Dil.	\$G-K	SG-N	\$G-M	SG-M Dup
Sampling Depth (Ft.)	N/A	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	3.0	5.0	5.0
Purge Volume (ml)	N/A	1,500	500	5,000	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Vacuum (in. of Water)	N/A	0	0	· 0	15	10	10	10
Injection Volume (ul)	50,000	50,000	50,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Dilution Factor	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	10

COMPOUND	REP. LIMIT	6	ONC (ug/m3)	CONC (ug/m3)						
Dichlorodifluoromethane	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Chloroethane	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Trichlorofluoromethane	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Freon 113	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Methylene Chloride	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,1-Dichloroethane	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Chloroform	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,1,1 <u>-Trichl</u> oroethane	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Carbon Tetrachloride	20		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,2-Dichloroethane	40		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Trichloroethene (TCE)	100		ND	1,477	713	641	1,953	580	ND	ND:
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Tetrachloroethene (PCE)	100		ND	348,666	OS	475,568	341,534	105,796	483,151	497,266
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Vinyl Chloride	10		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Acetone	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,1-Dichloroethene	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
2-Butanone (MEK)	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	· ND
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	NĎ	ND	ND
Cyclohexane	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Benzene	30		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
4-Methyl-2-Pentanone	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Toluene	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	 ND
Chlorobenzene	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Ethylbenzene	400		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
m/p-Xylene	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
o-Xylene	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Isobutane (Tracer Gas)	1000		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND

Note: ND = Below Listed Reporting Limit; OS = Off the electronic scale of detector



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SAMPLE ID	SG-H	SG-G	SG-F	SG-D	SG-C	SG-B	SG-A	SG-O
Sampling Depth (Ft.)	5.0	4.0	5.0	4.0	5.0	3.0	3.0	4.0
Purge Volume (ml)	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Vacuum (in. of Water)	0	0	0	25	10	0	10	45
Injection Volume (ul)	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Dilution Factor	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10

COMPOUND	REP. LIMIT	CONC (ug/m3)							
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Trichlorofluoromethane	1000	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND		ND	ND
Freon 113	1000	ND							
Methylene Chloride	1000	ND							
1,1-Dichloroethane	1000	ND							
Chloroform	1000	ND							
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	1000		ND						
Carbon Tetrachloride	20		ND						
1,2-Dichloroethane	40		ND	ND	ND	ND		ND	ND
Trichloroethene (TCE)	100	ND	180	ND	4,940	3,576	16,374	1,666	ND
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	1000	ND							
Tetrachloroethene (PCE)	100	67,446	485,066	108,356	4,565,094	804,984	1,641,386	189,414	2,022
1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	1000	ND							
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	1000	ND							
Vinyl Chloride	10	ND							
Acetone	1000	ND							
1,1-Dichloroethene	1000		ND						
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	1000	ND							
2-Butanone (MEK)	1000	ND							
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	1000	ND							
Cyclohexane	1000		ND						
Benzene	30	ND							
4-Methyl-2-Pentanone	1000	ND	<u>N</u> D	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Toluene	1000	ND							
Chlorobenzene	1000	ND							
Ethylbenzene	400	ND							
m/p-Xylene	1000	ND		ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
o-Xylene	1000	ND							
Isobutane (Tracer Gas)	1000	ND							

Note: ND = Below Listed Reporting Limit

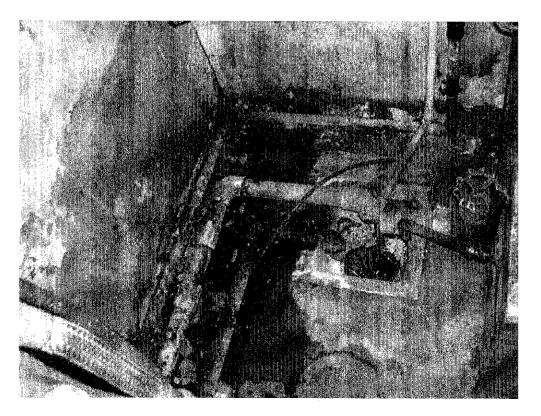
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### SITE PHOTOS

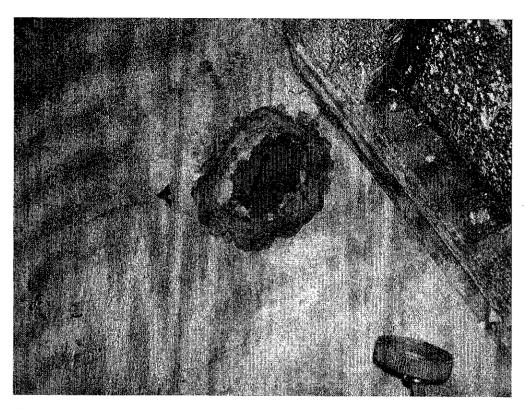




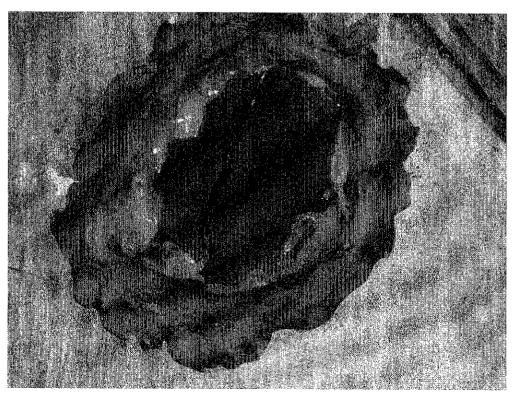
<u>Photo 1:</u> View of three soil borings in boiler room. B-A on left, B-B on upper right, and B-C on lower right side of photo. Floor crack at B-C readily visible on left side of photo.



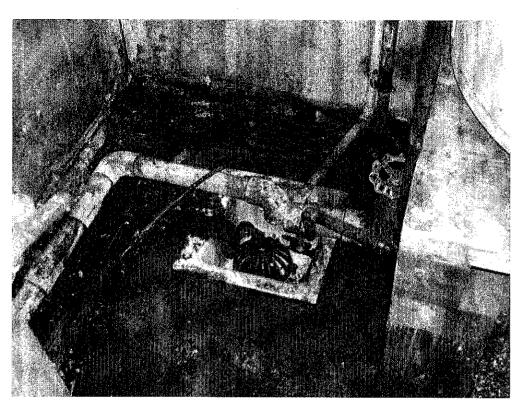
<u>Photo 2:</u> View of floor sink/drain area. Note crack in concrete on lower right side of photo, emanating from corner of sink. Boiler water collects along left wall because there are no breaches in concrete at that location (crack area is normally dry).



<u>Photo 3:</u> View of pour test in clay basin, just southwest of sink/drain area (boring B-C on lower left side of photo). Open crack, where water fell through crack, is visible in lower portion of basin.



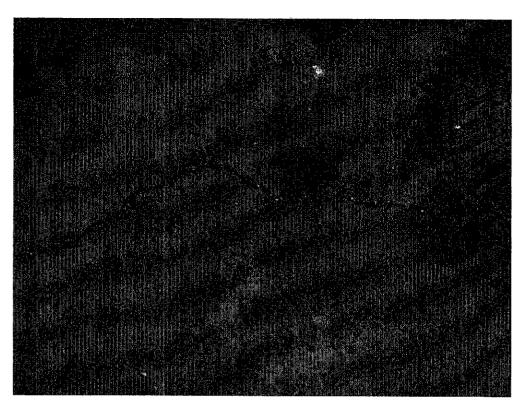
<u>Photo 4:</u> Close-up view of pour test in clay basin, just southwest of sink/drain area. Again, open crack, where water fell through crack, is visible on lower side of photo.



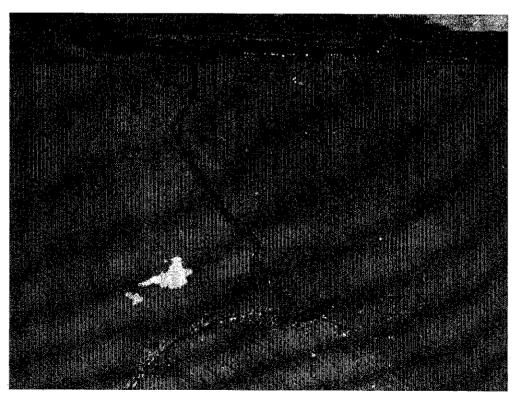
<u>Photo 5:</u> View of sink/drain area during 5-gallon pour test. Note crack on lower right side of photo does not have free water (water has infiltrated into crack).



<u>Photo 6:</u> View of crack following 5-gallon pour test. Note width of crack and lack of pooled water. Also, some small white flecks are visible in crack, having got caught as water fell into crack.



<u>Photo 7:</u> View of crack following 5-gallon pour test. Note width of crack and lack of pooled water. Also, some small white flecks are visible in crack, having got caught as water fell into crack.



<u>Photo 8:</u> View of crack following 5-gallon pour test. Note open (no liquid) portion of crack, where water fell into crack.

## ATTACHMENT C

## LABORATORY DATA REPORTS AND CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY RECORDS



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13 August 2013

Jim Gribi Gribi Associates 1090 Adam Street, Suite K Benicia, CA 94510 RE: Stony Point Cleaners

Enclosed are the results of analyses for samples received by the laboratory on 08/10/13 09:05. If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Samil & Chivy

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Vinyl chloride	ND	5.0	*1	17	п	н	41	п	
Surrogate: Toluene-d8		98.5 %	85.5	-116	"	"	"	"	
Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene		120 %		-123	"	"	"	"	
Surrogate: Dibromofluoromethane		122 %		-135	п	n	n	"	

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			- <b>A-0.5</b> 47-01 (S	Soil)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Notes

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		В	-A-1.0						
		T1317	47-02 (S	oil)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Notes
		SunStar La	aborator	ies, Inc.					
Volatile Organic Compounds by I	EPA Method 8260	B							
Bromodichloromethane	ND	5.0	ug/kg	1	3081211	08/10/13	08/12/13	EPA 8260B/5035	
Bromomethane	ND	5.0	11	11	и	II	п	н	
Carbon tetrachloride	ND	5.0	11	11	и	н	4	u	
Chlorobenzene	ND	5.0	11	H.	н	н	U.	н	
Chloroethane	ND	5.0	ti	11	4	н	U.	н	
Chloroform	ND	5.0	ti	0	н	N	11	u.	
Chloromethane	ND	5.0	ti	U	11	н	Ш	П	
Dibromochloromethane	ND	5.0	ti	н	н	и	11	u	
Dibromomethane	ND	5.0	ti	н	н	И	lt.	4	
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	ND	5.0	tI	U	ч .	И	II.	11	
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	ND	5.0	ti	н	11	11	0	u.	
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	ND	5.0	tI	N	11	и	II.	ч	
I,1-Dichloroethane	ND	5.0	łI	Ч	1	И	11	11	
1,2-Dichloroethane	ND	5.0	1	н	11	н	0	11	
I,1-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0	н	н	Ш	ų	н	1	
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0	н	n	11	н	Ш	11	
rans-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0	н	M	11	ч	н	11	
1,2-Dichloropropane	ND	5.0	н	н	11	11	н	11	
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	5.0	11	п	11	11	п	11	
rans-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	5.0	н	м	11	11	п	н	
Methylene chloride	ND	5.0	н	п	U	41	n	Ш	
Styrene	ND	5.0	IJ	N	U.	41	II	Ш	
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ND	5.0	ч	и	U.	11	н	н	
Fetrachloroethene	520	5.0	h	И	н	11	и	Ш	
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ND	5.0	н	И	н	II.	н	Ш	
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ND	5.0	н	ji	н	IF.	μ	н	
Frichloroethene	12	5.0	н	и	h	II.	н	11	
Vinyl chloride	ND	5.0	н	и	н	lt.	н	11	
Surrogate: Toluene-d8		99.6 %	85.5	-116	n	11	ш	н	
Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene		112 %		-123	n.	II.	п	"	
Surrogate: Dibromofluoromethane		115 %		-135	"	"	"	n	

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· · · · ·		_	-A-1.0 47-02 (S	oil)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Notes

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Benicia CA, 94510		roject Manag	-	-				08/13/13 13	
		p	- <b>B</b> -1.0						
			47-03 (S	oil)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Note
		SunStar L	aborator	ies, Inc.					
Volatile Organic Compounds by I	PA Method 8260	B							
Bromodichloromethane	ND	8.7	ug/kg	1	3081211	08/10/13	08/12/13	EPA 8260B/5035	
Bromomethane	ND	8.7	. 11	11	н	н	lt.	U.	
Carbon tetrachloride	ND	8.7	11	17	н	н .	lt.	U	
Chlorobenzene	ND	8.7	17	17	н	н	11	U.	
Chloroethane	ND	8.7	11	11	н	н	11	U	
Chloroform	ND	8.7	11	17	н	н	IF.	U	
Chloromethane	ND	8.7	11	4	н	н	lt.	U.	
Dibromochloromethane	ND	8.7	ít.	II.	и	н	11	U.	
Dibromomethane	ND	8.7	11	11	н	н	IF.	U	
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	ND	8.7	11	11	И	н	II.	ų	
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	ND	8.7	It	17	н	м	0	U	
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	ND	8.7	11	11	н	м	0	U	
1,1-Dichloroethane	ND	8.7	11	ii	и	н	0	U.	
1,2-Dichloroethane	ND	8.7	11	11	11	н	0	U.	
1,1-Dichloroethene	ND	8.7	It	II.	н	м	0	U.	
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	8.7	17		н	н	0	U.	
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	8.7	It	II.	н	н	0	U.	
1,2-Dichloropropane	ND	8.7	11	U.	н	н	н	U.	
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	8.7	17	11	н	и	н	U.	
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	8.7	ít.	U.	н	н	ш	U	
Methylene chloride	ND	8.7	11	U	н	н	н	U.	
Styrene	ND	8.7	17	н	н	н	н	U.	
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ND	8.7	11	li I	н	н	n	U	
Tetrachloroethene	820	8.7	11	IJ	н	И	н	U.	
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ND	8.7	11	U.	н	н	h	U II	
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ND	8.7	17	U.	н	н	н	U U	
Trichloroethene	ND	8.7	11	U.	н	н	н	U.	
Vinyl chloride	ND	8.7	11	п	н	и	н	U.	
Surrogate: Toluene-d8		94.5 %	85 5	-116	н	"	"		
Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene		103 %	81.2		"	"	"	"	
Surrogate: Dibromofluoromethane		121 %	95.7		"	"	"	"	

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			-B-1.0 47-03 (S	ioil)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Notes

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Benicia CA, 94510		roject Manag	-	-				08/13/13 13	
	·	n	B-B-1.5						
			- <b>Б-1.5</b> 47-04 (S	oil)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Notes
		SunStar L	aborator	·ies, Inc.					
Volatile Organic Compounds by E	PA Method 8260	В							
Bromodichloromethane	ND	4.4	ug/kg	1	3081211	08/10/13	08/12/13	EPA 8260B/5035	
Bromomethane	ND	4.4	н	н	Ш	U.	н	11	
Carbon tetrachloride	ND	4.4	"	н	ų.	0	"	н	
Chlorobenzene	ND	4.4	"	n	Ш	U	H	н	
Chloroethane	ND	4.4	н	n	Ш	U	н	ц	
Chloroform	ND	4.4	н	n	Ш		"	н	
Chloromethane	ND	4.4	н	n	Ш	н	н	н	
Dibromochloromethane	ND	4.4	н	н	Ш		"	н	
Dibromomethane	ND	4.4	ti	n	0	0		н	
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	ND	4.4	ti	II	Ш	μ		и	
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	ND	4.4	tı	н	11	н	"	и	
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	ND	4.4	t <b>i</b>	U	Ш	0		и	
1,1-Dichloroethane	ND	4.4	ti	U	4	U	IJ	и	
1,2-Dichloroethane	ND	4.4	11	U	Ш	н	n	и	
l,1-Dichloroethene	ND	4.4	**	U	41	U	n	и	
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	4.4	ti.	μ	41	U		И	
rans-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	4.4	**	U	11	u –	"	и	
1,2-Dichloropropane	ND	4.4	11	U	ч	0	11	н	
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	4.4	**	U.	11	U	n	и	
rans-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	4.4	11	U	11	11	"	м	
Methylene chloride	ND	4.4	17	Ð	ч	U	11	н	
Styrene	ND	4.4	11	н	ч	U	n	н	
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ND	4.4	0	U	11	u	Э	н	
Fetrachloroethene	10000	220	0	50	u.	0	н	н	
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ND	4.4	11	1	0	11	11	н	
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ND	4.4	11	Ð	н	U	11	н	
Frichloroethene	14	4.4	tt.	0	ц	0	н	н	
Vinyl chloride	ND	4.4	It	0	н	0	н	н	
Surrogate: Toluene-d8		96.5 %	85.5	-116	н	н	"	"	
Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene		102 %	81.2		н	н	н	и	
Surrogate: Dibromofluoromethane		122 %		-135	"	п	"	"	

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	T	B-B-1.5	Soil)					
Analyte	Report Result Li	ting imit Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	N

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Benicia CA, 94510		roject Manag	-	-				<b>Reported</b> 08/13/13 13	
			-C-0.5						
		T1317	47-05 (S	oil)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Note
		SunStar La	aborator	ies, Inc.					
<u>Volatile Organic Compounds by E</u>	PA Method 8260	B							
Bromodichloromethane	ND	9.3	ug/kg	1	3081211	08/10/13	08/12/13	EPA 8260B/5035	
Bromomethane	ND	9.3	ţI	и	n	II.	н	"	
Carbon tetrachloride	ND	9.3	t1	и	U	U.	н	U.	
Chlorobenzene	ND	9.3	11	И	μ	11	н	U.	
Chloroethane	ND	9.3	ţ	H	н	0		U.	
Chloroform	· ND	9.3	11	и	U	U.	μ	11	
Chloromethane	ND	9.3	ţ	н	0	II.	и	U.	
Dibromochloromethane	ND	9.3	ti	н	U	U	и		
Dibromomethane	ND	9.3	ti	н	н		н	n	
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	ND	9.3	ţ	Ņ	U	U	щ	Ξ.	
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	ND	9.3	ti.	"	U		и	II.	
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	ND	9.3	11	М	н	11	и	11	
1,1-Dichloroethane	ND	9.3	ţI	Ņ	0	11	н	11	
1,2-Dichloroethane	ND	9.3	11	и	0		н	н	
1,1-Dichloroethene	ND	9.3	ti	М	н	0	и	11	
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	9.3	11	N	U.	11	и	П	
rans-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	9.3	Ð	И	0	0	н	U.	
1,2-Dichloropropane	ND	9.3	' U	н	н	0	н	н	
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	9.3	It	н	н	0	0	11	
rans-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	9.3	17	н	0	11	н	11	
Methylene chloride	ND	9.3	lt	н	н	U	h	Ш	
Styrene	ND	9.3	11.	н	U	0	и	11	
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ND	9.3	11	н	"	II.	u	41	
<b>Fetrachloroethene</b>	63	9.3	lt	н	U	0	н	11	
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ND	9.3	(f	и	U	U.	H	ч	
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ND	9.3	11	и	0	11	н	41	
Trichloroethene	ND	9.3	11	н	н	0	u	a	
Vinyl chloride	ND	9.3	11	"	н	11	μ	a	
Surrogate: Toluene-d8		98.1 %	85.5	-116	11		11		
Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene		112 %		-123	н	п	п	n	
Surrogate: Dibromofluoromethane		118 %		-135	11	"	"	"	

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			-C-0.5 47-05 (S	oil)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Notes

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			-C-1.0						
		1131/	47-06 (S	011)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Notes
		SunStar La	aborator	ies, Inc.					-
Volatile Organic Compounds by ]	EPA Method 8260	)B							
Bromodichloromethane	ND	5.0	ug/kg	1	3081211	08/10/13	08/12/13	EPA 8260B/5035	
Bromomethane	ND	5.0	ti .	и	н	н	ti.	н	
Carbon tetrachloride	ND	5.0	9	и	н	I	и	14	
Chlorobenzene	ND	5.0	н	и	м	п	0	h	
Chloroethane	ND	5.0	11	п	и	11	Ш	и	
Chloroform	ND	5.0	н	ч.	н	Ш	4	И	
Chloromethane	ND	5.0	н	u	н	11	11	н	
Dibromochloromethane	ND	5.0	н	11	11	11	11	п	
Dibromomethane	ND	5.0	IT	П	u.	Ð	D	II	
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	ND	5.0	11	D.	11	D.	0	п	
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	ND	5.0	"	11	Ш	н	н	4	
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	ND	5.0	"	μ. I	II.	М	h	11	
1,1-Dichloroethane	ND	5.0	(†	0	11	N	м	11	
1,2-Dichloroethane	ND	5.0	**	М	11	М	и	11	
1,1-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0	0	н	p.	и	н	11	
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0	**	н	н	11	n	11	
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0	**	н	н	н	11	D.	
1,2-Dichloropropane	ND	5.0	"	"	н			n	
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	5.0	t) 11	н	N	()	41	н	
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	5.0	и И	и	и	II It	11	н	
Methylene chloride	ND	5.0		л Л	и	ir Ir	11	н	
Styrene	ND	5.0	и	"	л 1	0	D .	и	
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ND	5.0	и		"	17 11	н н	4	
Tetrachloroethene	85000	250	и	50		n 11	1		E
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ND	5.0	 11	1	41	"			
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ND	5.0	J†	0	11	N	"	11	
<b>Trichloroethene</b> Vinyl chloride	31 ND	5.0 5.0	11	0	0	"	n	11	
	UND					"			
Surrogate: Toluene-d8		90.3 %		-116	"	"	"	"	
Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene		112 %		-123					
Surrogate: Dibromofluoromethane		132 %	95.7	-135	"	и	"	"	

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			- G-C-1.0 47-06 (S	boil)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Notes

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			-C-1.5 47-07 (S	oil)					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Units	Dilution	Batch	Prepared	Analyzed	Method	Notes
		SunStar L	aborator	ies, Inc.					
<u>Volatile Organic Compounds by E</u>	PA Method 826	0B							
Bromodichloromethane	ND	5.0	ug/kg	1	3081211	08/10/13	08/12/13	EPA	
Carbon tetrachloride	λĬT	= 0	11	11	17	pi	"	8260B/5035 "	
Carbon tetrachioride Chlorobenzene	ND	5.0	11	"	"	N	"	4r It	
	ND	5.0	ti	"	"				
Chloroethane Chloroform	ND	5.0	tı	11		,. N	n	łr 11	
Chloromethane	ND	5.0	11	17		н	и	11	
Dibromochloromethane	ND	5.0	ti	11	" P	ri H	и		
	ND	5.0	11			r. H	и	11	
Dibromomethane	ND	5.0					и	17	
1,2-Dichlorobenzene 1,3-Dichlorobenzene	ND ND	5.0 5.0		11	Ir		и	II II	
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	ND		tı	ir.	U		н	17	
1,1-Dichloroethane	ND	5.0	tı	ur.			и	n,	
1,2-Dichloroethane		5.0 5.0	0				,. 11	R	
1,1-Dichloroethene	ND ND		tı		1			17	
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0 5.0	tı	ur.	U.	" II	н	n N -	
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0 5.0	tı					1	
1,2-Dichloropropane	ND			ur.	u .	n		11	
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	5.0		IF.	U.		, i	11	
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	5.0 5.0				11		li Ir	
Methylene chloride	ND		"		н	1			
Styrene	ND	5.0 5.0			U.			IF	
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ND	5.0	н		n	t			
Tetrachloroethene	170000	250	"	50	n	ıt	4		
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ND	230 5.0	н	30 1	n	11	9		E
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ND	5.0	'n	1	и	"	tr.		
Trichloroethene	56	5.0	н	U.	п		ut j	n	
Vinyl chloride	ND	5.0	н	IJ	n	t. tt	11 11	n	
Surrogate: Toluene-d8		93.5 %	955	-116	"	п	n	"	
surrogate: 10tuene-as Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene		93.5 % 108 %		-110 -123		"	"	"	
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		Reporting		Spike	Source		%REC		RPD	
Analyte	Result	Limit	Units	Level	Result	%REC	Limits	RPD	Limit	Notes

#### Batch 3081211 - EPA 5030 GCMS

Blank (3081211-BLK1)				Prepared & Ar	nalyzed: 08/12	/13	
Bromodichloromethane	ND	5.0	ug/kg	-			••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••
Bromomethane	ND	5.0	U				
Carbon tetrachloride	ND	5.0	н				
Chlorobenzene	ND	5.0	U				
Chloroethane	ND	5.0	н				
Chloroform	ND	5.0	н				
Chloromethane	ND	5.0	н				
Dibromochloromethane	ND	5.0	н				
Dibromomethane	ND	5.0	н				
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	ND	5.0	н				
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	ND	5.0	h				
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	ND	5.0	н				
1,1-Dichloroethane	ND	5.0	н				
1,2-Dichloroethane	ND	5.0	н				
1,1-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0	н				
cis-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0	н				
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	ND	5.0	н				
1,2-Dichloropropane	ND	5.0	н				
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	5.0	11				
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	ND	5.0	И				
Methylene chloride	ND	5.0	ч				
Styrene	ND	5.0	μ				
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	ND	5.0	н				
Tetrachloroethene	ND	5.0	и				
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	ND	5.0	и				
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	ND	5.0	и				
Trichloroethene	ND	5.0	и				
Vinyl chloride	ND	5.0	u				
Surrogate: Toluene-d8	38.9		"	39.9	97.4	85.5-116	
Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	43.1		"	39.9	108	81.2-123	
Surrogate: Dibromofluoromethane	40.9		"	39.9	102	95.7-135	

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					Kesuit			KrD		Notes
Batch 3081211 - EPA 5030 GCMS										
LCS (3081211-BS1)				Prepared	& Analyze	ed: 08/12/	'13			
Chlorobenzene	100	5.0	ug/kg	99.8		100	75-125			
1,1-Dichloroethene	77.7	5.0	19	99.8		77.9	75-125			
Trichloroethene	89.8	5.0	17	99.8		89.9	75-125			
Benzene	83.5	5.0	17	99.8		83.6	75-125			
Toluene	92.4	5.0	17	99.8		92.6	75-125			
Surrogate: Toluene-d8	39.1	-	"	39.9		98.0	85.5-116	÷		
Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	43.3		11	39.9		108	81.2-123			
Surrogate: Dibromofluoromethane	42.8		0	39.9		107	95.7-135			
LCS Dup (3081211-BSD1)				Prepared	& Analyze	ed: 08/12/	'13			
Chlorobenzene	97.8	5.0	ug/kg	99.8	· · ·	98.0	75-125	2.42	20	
1,1-Dichloroethene	79.5	5.0	11	99.8		79.7	75-125	2.22	20	
Trichloroethene	89.6	5.0	11	99.8		89.8	75-125	0.223	20	
Benzene	83.8	5.0	11	99.8		84.0	75-125	0.418	20	
Toluene	92.8	5.0	11	<b>9</b> 9.8		93.0	75-125	0.431	20	
Surrogate: Toluene-d8	38.7	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	"	39.9		96.9	85.5-116			
Surrogate: 4-Bromofluorobenzene	41.9		"	39.9		105	81.2-123			
Surrogate: Dibromofluoromethane	41.7		"	39.9		104	95.7-135			

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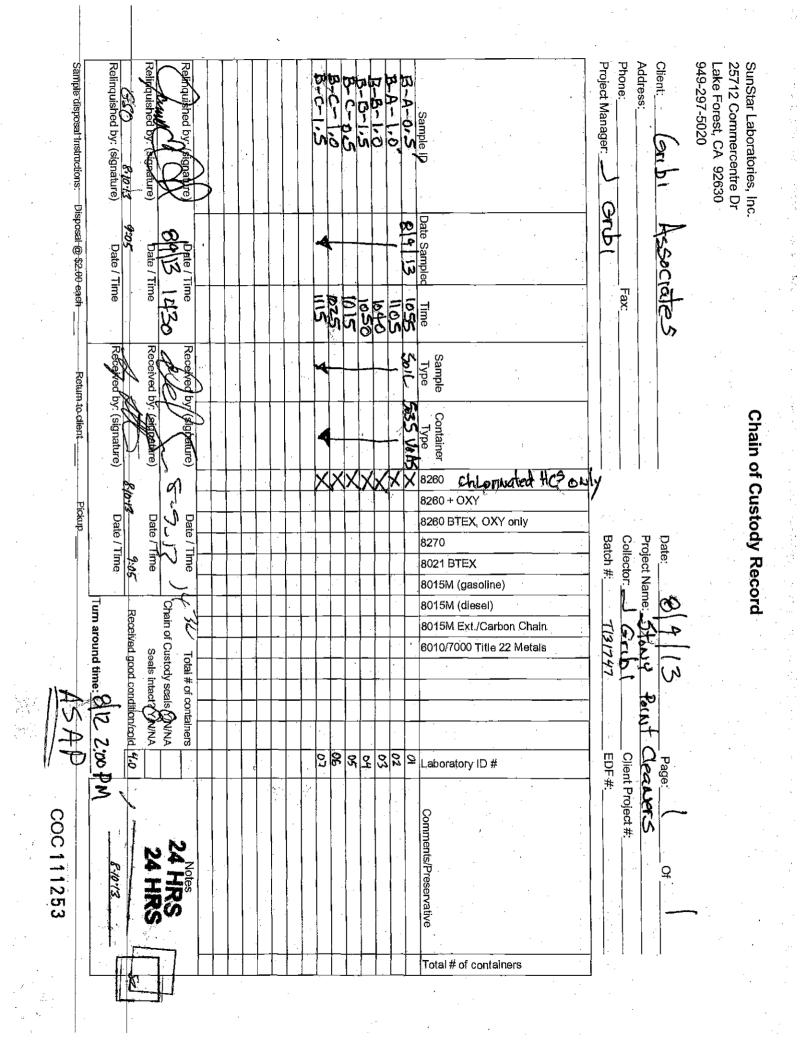
#### Notes and Definitions

- E The concentration indicated for this analyte is above the calibration range of the instrument. This value should be considered as an estimate as the actual value may be higher.
- DET Analyte DETECTED
- ND Analyte NOT DETECTED at or above the reporting limit
- NR Not Reported
- dry Sample results reported on a dry weight basis
- RPD Relative Percent Difference

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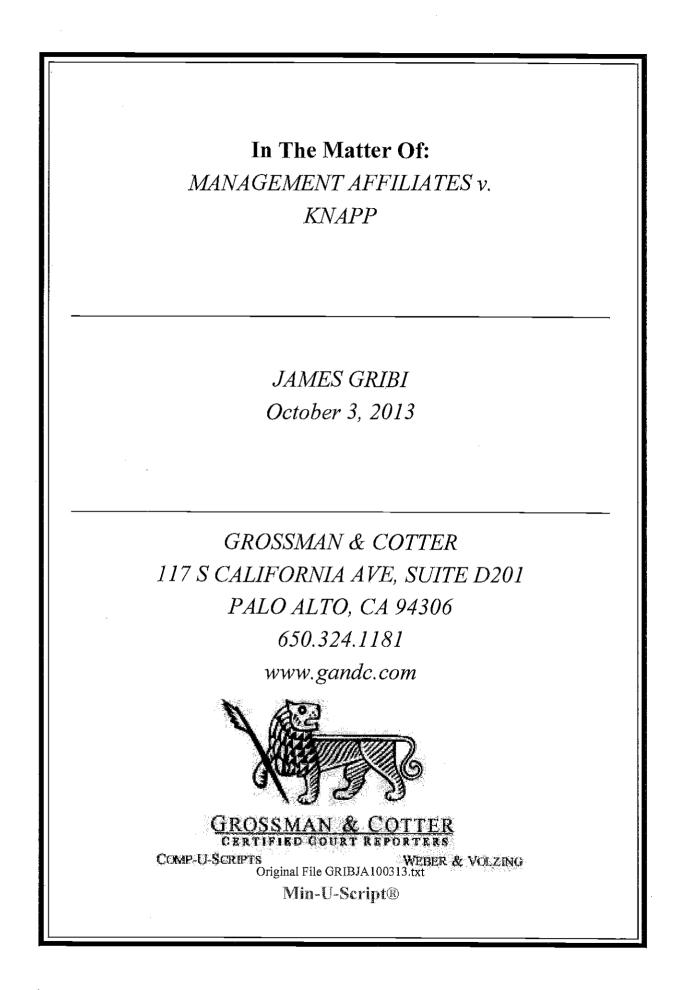
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SunStar Laboratories, Inc. Page 1 of SAMPLE RECEIVING REVIEW SHEET Client Name: GRIBI Project: STORY POINT CLEANERS Date/Time Received: 8.10.12 9.05 Received by: \_\_\_\_\_Same Delivered by : Client SunStar Courier GSO FedEx Other Total number of coolers received / Temp criteria =  $6^{\circ}C > 0^{\circ}C$  (no frozen containers) Temperature: cooler #1 <u>4.2</u> °C +/- the CF (-0.2°C) = 4.0 °C corrected temperature cooler #2  $^{\circ}C$  +/- the CF (- 0.2°C) =  $^{\circ}C$  corrected temperature cooler #3 \_\_\_\_\_°C +/- the CF (- 0.2°C) = \_\_\_\_°C corrected temperature Samples outside temp. but received on ice, w/in 6 hours of final sampling. X Yes ∏No\*  $\prod N/A$ Custody Seals Intact on Cooler/Sample, Yes No\* N/A Sample Containers Intact XYes No\* Sample labels match COC ID's XYes No\* Total number of containers received match COC Yes No\* Proper containers received for analyses requested on COC Yes No\* Proper preservative indicated on COC/containers for analyses requested XYes No\* N/A Complete shipment received in good condition with correct temperatures, containers, labels, volumes preservatives and within method specified holding times. X Yes No\* \* Complete Non-Conformance Receiving Sheet if checked Cooler/Sample Review - Initials and date 52 8-10-13 Comments:

# EXHIBIT J



SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 1 2 COUNTY OF SONOMA 3 MANAGEMENT AFFILIATES (ManAff) & BEN BRETT dba for DAVID 4 PASLIN, an individual, 5 Plaintiff(s), 6 Case No. SCV 244318 vs. 7 ELMER B. KNAPP, an individual; and YOUNG P. HAHN, an individual; and 8 U.L. HAHN aka TIM HAHN, an Individual; and DAVID J. HOFFMAN; an 9 individual; and PHILLIP M. STEINBOCH, an individual; and PETER J. SUK, an 10 individual; and HELEN SUK, an individual; and PACIFIC INVESTMENT 11 GROUP, INC.; and STONY POINT ASSOCIATES; and Does 1 to 99, 12 Defendants. 13 Ζ 14 AND ALL RELATED CROSS ACTIONS. 15 16 17 DEPOSITION OF JAMES GRIBI 18 October 3, 2013 19 20 21 Reported by: DEBBY CLARY, CSR NO. 9705 22 Registered Merit Reporter 23 24 25

1 APPEARANCES 2 FOR PLAINTIFFS: 3 KALFEN LAW CORPORATION HERMAN I. KALFEN, ESQ. 4 BY: 5 1 Embarcadero Center, Suite 500 San Francisco, California 94111 6 7 (415) 315-1710 kalfenlawoffice@earthlink.net 8 9 FOR DEFENDANTS STONY POINT ASSOCIATES, DAVID J. HOFMANN 10 (erroneously sued as DAVID J. HOFFMAN) and PHILLIP M. 11 STEINBOCK (erroneously sued as PHILLIP M. STEINBOCH): 12 BUTY & CURLIANO, LLP 13 BY: JESSE A. BOYD, ESQ. 14 555 12th Street, Suite 1280 15 Oakland, California 94607 16 (510) 267-3000 17 jboyd@butycurliano.com 18 FOR DEFENDANT PACIFIC INVESTORS GROUP: 19 PAUL HASTINGS, LLP 20 BY: CHRISTOPHER MOONEY, ESQ. 55 Second Street, 24th Floor 21 22 San Francisco, California 94105-7100 23 (415) 856-7000 24 christophermooney@paulhastings.com 25

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1	exhibit.
2	(WHEREUPON, DEFENDANTS' EXHIBIT F
3	WAS MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.)
4	BY MR. BOYD:
5	Q. Okay. Now, looking at Figure 3, which is on
6	the first page of Exhibit F that you've just been
7	handed, which is would you agree that that Figure 3
8	is Figure 3 from the September 4th report is the same?
9	A. Yes.
10	Q. Okay. Looking at that figure, does that depict
11	the northern portion of the Stony Point Cleaners site
12	A. Yes.
13	Q or facility?
<u>14</u>	Looking at the box in the lower right-hand
<u>15</u>	<u>corner of that figure labeled "Dry cleaning machine not</u>
<u>16</u>	in use," do you see that?
<u>17</u>	A. Yes.
<u>18</u>	Q. What brand of dry cleaning machine is that?
<u>19</u>	<u>A. I'm not sure.</u>
<u>20</u>	Q. When was it installed?
<u>21</u>	A. I believe it was installed when the dry cleaner
<u>22</u>	was put in operation. I think that's correct.
<u>23</u>	Q. And what do you base that assumption on?
<u>24</u>	A. I think Brian Kelleher talked to the previous
<u>25</u>	owner. I'm relying on information from him.

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<u>1</u>	<u>Q.</u>	You've not independently verified the
<u>2</u>	<u>informat</u>	ion?
<u>3</u>	<u>A.</u>	No.
<u>4</u>	<u>Q.</u>	<u>Or the date of installation of that machine?</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>A.</u>	No.
<u>6</u>	<u>Q.</u>	Do you have any reason to dispute that that
<u>7</u>	machine	was installed in 1992?
<u>8</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>No.</u>
<u>9</u>	<u>Q.</u>	Looking at the upper left-hand portion of this
<u>10</u>	<u>descript</u>	ion, or this diagram on, which is Figure 3, that
<u>11</u>	<u>shows</u> a	<u>circle with a boiler in it.</u> Do you see that?
<u>12</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>Yes.</u>
<u>13</u>	<u>Q.</u>	<u>What is the manufacturer of that boiler?</u>
<u>14</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>I don't know.</u>
<u>15</u>	<u>Q.</u>	And when was that boiler installed?
<u>16</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>I don't know.</u>
<u>17</u>	<u>Q.</u>	Looking at the circle called "Compressor," you
<u>18</u>	<u>see that</u>	on the diagram?
<u>19</u>	<u>A.</u>	Yes.
<u>20</u>	<u>Q.</u>	And do you know the brand name or the
<u>21</u>	manufact	urer of that compressor?
<u>22</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>No.</u>
<u>23</u>	<u>Q.</u>	<u>And do you know when that compressor was</u>
<u>24</u>	<u>installe</u>	<u>d?</u>
<u>25</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>No.</u>

<ul> <li>Q. And same questions on the water heater, do you</li> <li>know the brand name or</li> <li>A. No.</li> <li>Q the date of installation, is that</li> <li>A. No.</li> <li>Q. You do not know the brand name or the date of</li> <li>installation of the water heater, is that right?</li> <li>A. Correct.</li> <li>Q. And the same as to the dry vac, correct?</li> <li>A. Correct.</li> <li>Q. And the same as to the water softener, correct?</li> <li>A. Correct.</li> <li>Q. Do you have any information as to when the</li> <li>floor drain was installed?</li> <li>A. No.</li> <li>Q. Do you have any reason to dispute that the</li> <li>facility, including the locations of this equipment, was</li> </ul>
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<u>16</u> <u>Q.</u> Do you have any reason to dispute that the
17 facility, including the locations of this equipment, was
18 remodeled and changed after 1987?
<u>19</u> <u>A. No. I don't have any firsthand knowledge of</u>
20 that.
21 Q. Okay. That boiler is a heavy piece of
22 equipment, isn't it?
23 MR. KALFEN: Objection; vague and ambiguous.
24 THE WITNESS: It's a, yeah, it is a big piece
25 of equipment.

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This conclusion you have here assumes that the 1 ο. crack existed from the very beginning of operations in 2 1981, correct? 3 4 Α. Yeah, I think the assumption is that by, 5 whenever the dry cleaning, whenever the floor drain was put in and they cut out the concrete and put in new 6 7 concrete, that that caused the crack that, I mean the 8 crack obviously started from the edge of the, of the, of 9 the floor drain and radiated out from there. 10 If there was no floor drain there and it was 11 just the concrete slab without -- they cut a big 12 rectangle out of there to put in the floor drain. Ιf 13 that wouldn't have occurred, then there's every 14 likelihood that that crack wouldn't, wouldn't have 15 occurred, because, and so that's, you know, that's, the 16 crack occurred after the floor drain was put in. It couldn't have been otherwise because the 17 18 concrete that surrounds the floor drain was put in as 19 part of the floor drain. So the assumption is that when 20 the floor drain was put in, that the crack occurred 21 sometime after that and as a result of putting in the 22 floor drain. 23 Q. But you don't know when the crack occurred, 24<u>correct?</u> A. No. That's correct. 25

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<u>1</u>	Q. Okay. And this statement here that the
<u>2</u>	discharges could have been prevented by sealing of the
<u>3</u>	floor with a thick coat of epoxy resin assumes that that
<u>4</u>	sealing occurred after the floor crack was in existence,
<u>5</u>	correct? Simply sealing a floor with no cracks in it,
<u>6</u>	the epoxy resin is going to crack along with the floor,
Z	correct?
<u>8</u>	A. Yes.
<u>9</u>	Q. So this assumes that, what you're saying here
<u>10</u>	is if somebody saw a crack in the floor that, assuming
11	the crack didn't increase in size, if they put an epoxy
<u>12</u>	resin over it, it would have sealed the floor and kept
<u>13</u>	the discharges from happening, correct?
<u>14</u>	A. Yes.
<u>15</u>	Q. But again, you have no idea whether it was
<u>16</u>	before or after 1987 that this crack occurred, correct?
<u>17</u>	MR. KALFEN: Objection; asked and answered.
<u>18</u>	THE WITNESS: Correct.
<u>19</u>	BY MR. BOYD:
<u>20</u>	Q. And if, that means that if the epoxy resin had
<u>21</u>	been installed before 1987, it may have cracked along
<u>22</u>	with the concrete if the crack occurred after 1987,
<u>23</u>	<u>correct?</u>
24	A. Yeah, I think what we were trying to say there
25	is that if you noticed the crack, then if you had taken

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1	Q. And to be clear, you have installed monitoring
2	wells on the Stony Point property south of the known
3	contaminated area that have come back with no detects in
4	the shallow groundwater aquifer, correct?
5	A. Correct.
<u>6</u>	Q. Are there any other sources aside from the
2	crack that you would call significant in this case?
<u>8</u>	A. Not that I'm aware of, no.
9	Q. Can you describe for me any quality control
10	steps that you performed during your, let's just start
11	with groundwater sampling.
12	MR. KALFEN: Objection; overbroad.
13	THE WITNESS: Well, we use the same sampling
14	protocols that, that are standard for the industry, and
15	in terms of sampling methods, sample preservation, use a
16	certified laboratories and that sort of thing.
17	BY MR. BOYD:
18	Q. As far as collecting the samples, what's, for
19	grab sample, grab groundwater samples, what technique do
20	you use?
21	A. Typically, kind of the standard is to use, to
22	drill the boring to a certain depth and then install
23	temporary PVC casing and collect the sample using a
24	small diameter bailer.
25	Q. And the casing will have screens at different

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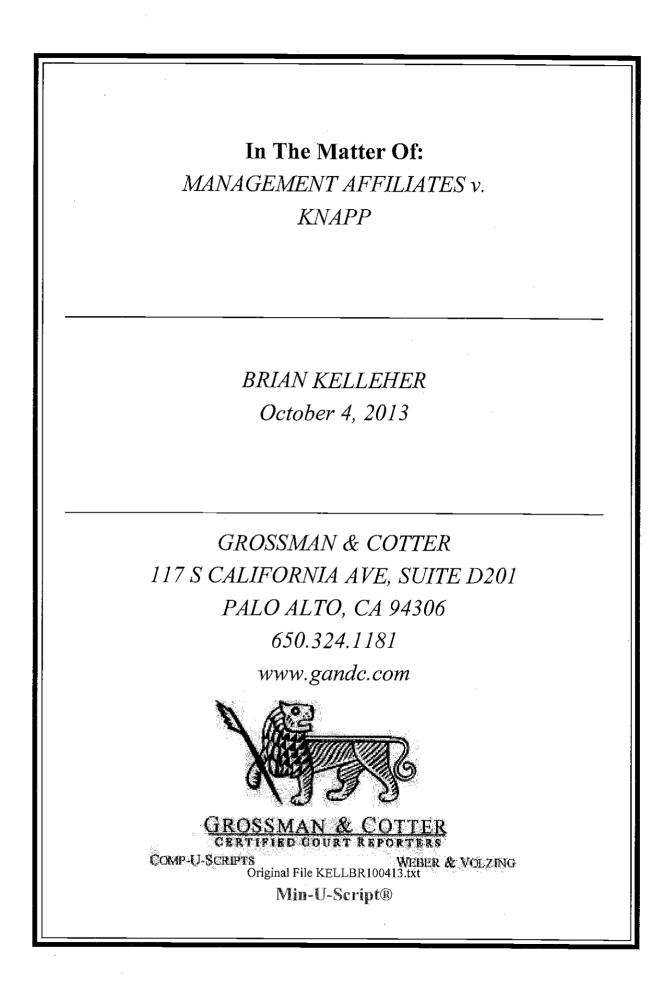
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<u>1</u>	Q. Okay. That would be the boiler, correct?
<u>2</u>	A. The boiler and the whatever else was in there.
<u>3</u>	Q. Okay. And that would be the hot water heater,
<u>4</u>	<u>correct?</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>A.</u> <u>Yes.</u>
6	Q. Pointing you to Figure 3, it appears to me as
7	though the crack extends and that is the smaller
8	crack depicted on the figure, not the crack in the
9	raised concrete skirt that's depicted that looks larger,
10	but the smaller crack that appears to extend from the
11	boiler to the hot water heater stand well, it appears
12	to me that that extends from the boiler to the hot water
13	heater stand.
14	Is that how it appears to you?
15	A. Which figure are we looking at again?
16	Q. We're looking at Figure 3. Sorry, this one.
17	A. Okay.
18	Q. And do you believe that that accurately
19	reflects the location of the crack?
20	A. Yes.
21	Q. And would you agree that that crack most likely
22	occurred upon installation of either the boiler or the
23	water heater or both?
24	MR. KALFEN: Objection; calls for speculation.
25	THE WITNESS: The boiler.

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1	know?
2	A. I don't think they would. I think that all
3	those sample points are within the, probably very close
4	or within the shaded area for 10,000.
5	Q. Have you generated any reports on your own in
б	this matter?
7	A. No.
<u>8</u>	Q. You've relied on Mr. Gribi to generate the
<u>9</u>	technical data and reports related to the Stony Point
<u>10</u>	<u>Cleaners, correct?</u>
<u>11</u>	A. Correct.
<u>12</u>	Q. <u>Would you defer to him as far as the</u>
<u>13</u>	interpretation of those results?
<u>14</u>	<u>A. They're his reports. You know, I suggest</u>
<u>15</u>	language, suggest conclusions. I suggest
<u>16</u>	recommendations, but it's completely up to him.
17	Q. Okay.
18	A. It's his report.
19	Generally speaking, the contractors that I use,
20	we have, we have worked together for a long time in the
21	past. We trust each other. We respect each other.
22	It's not like we don't have disagreements on certain
23	things, but generally, we concur on most things. And in
24	the end it's their report. They get to put in whatever
25	they want to.

# **GROSSMAN & COTTER**

1 I, DEBBY CLARY, duly authorized to administer 2 oaths pursuant to Section 2093(b) of the California Code of Civil Procedure, do hereby certify: 3 That the witness in the foregoing deposition was by me duly sworn to 4 5 testify the truth in the within-entitled cause; that said deposition was taken at the time and place therein 6 7 cited; that the testimony of the said witness was reported by me and was hereafter transcribed under my 8 9 direction into typewriting; that the foregoing is a 10 complete and accurate record of said testimony; and that the witness was given an opportunity to read and correct 11 12 said deposition and to subscribe the same.

Should the signature of the witness not be
affixed to the deposition, the witness shall not have
availed him or herself of the opportunity to sign or the
signature has been waived.

17 I further certify that I am not of counsel, nor
18 attorney for any of the parties in the foregoing
19 deposition and caption named, nor in any way interested
20 in the outcome of the cause named in said caption.

DATED: October 11, 2013

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# EXHIBIT L

1	DECLARATION OF PETER SUK
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3	I, Peter Suk, hereby declare as follows:
4	1. I have not been offered any reward or inducement for the execution of this
5	declaration. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth below, and if called upon to do so, I
6	would testify consistently with them.
7	2. From November 11, 1989 through February 17, 1996, I owned and operated
8	Stony Point Cleaners, located at 469 Stony Point Road in Santa Rosa, California. I was involved
9	in and oversaw the day-to-day operations on-site.
10	3. In 1992 I upgraded the equipment at Stony Point Cleaners. This involved:
11	Replacement of the cleaning machine and boiler, and the installation of a water heater. There
12	was no water heater on site when I purchased the business.
13	4. The separator water of the drycleaning machine installed in 1992 was collected in
14	a drum and hauled away by a company called Safety Kleen. The drum was not located in the
15	boiler room.
16	5. The crack shown in the photos attached as Exhibit A to this declaration did not
17	exist during my tenure at Stony Point Cleaners.
18	6. The crack indicated in the diagram attached as Exhibit B to this declaration did
19	not exist during my tenure at Stony Point Cleaners.
20	7. The boiler room shown in the photos attached hereto as Exhibit A was in much
21	better condition during my tenure at Stony Point Cleaners.
22	8. During my tenure, there were only two pipes entering the floor drain in the boiler
23	room – one from the boiler, and one from the water heater.
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1	9. When I purchased Stony Point Cleaners, and throughout my tenure, the boiler
2	room was in good condition. There was no water damage to the walls or equipment and the
3	walls were completely covered with undamaged sheetrock.
4	I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
5	foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 24 day of October, 2013 in Oakland, California.
6	And
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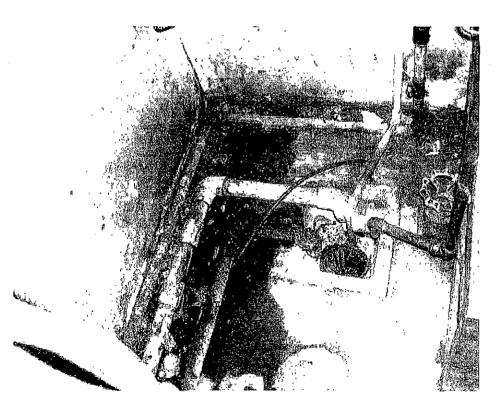
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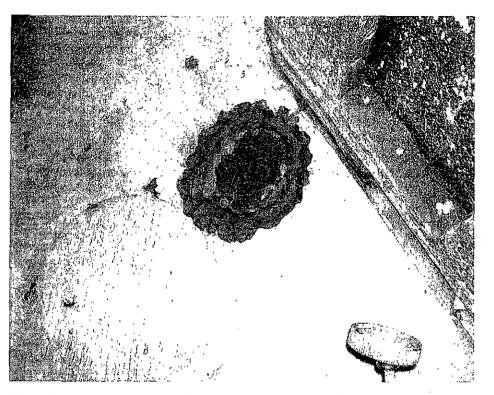
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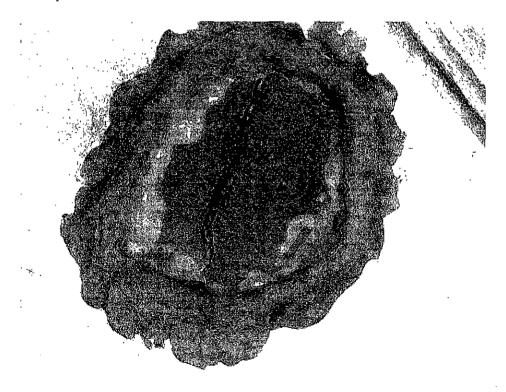
<u>Photo 1:</u> View of three soil borings in boiler room. B-A on left, B-B on upper right, and B-C on lower right side of photo. Floor crack at B-C readily visible on left side of photo.



<u>Photo 2:</u> View of floor sink/drain area. Note crack in concrete on lower right side of photo, emanating from corner of sink. Boiler water collects along left wall because there are no breaches in concrete at that location (crack area is normally dry).



<u>Photo 3:</u> View of pour test in clay basin, just southwest of sink/drain area (boring B-C on lower left side of photo). Open crack, where water fell through crack, is visible in lower portion of basin.



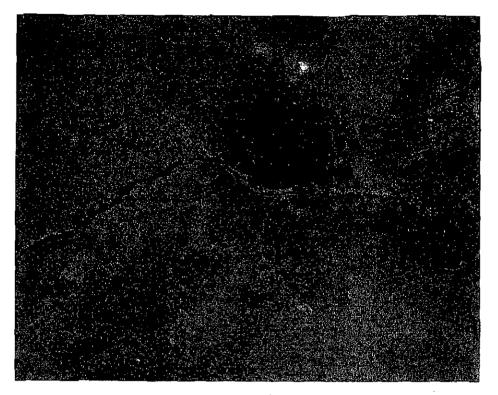
<u>Photo 4:</u> Close-up view of pour test in clay basin, just southwest of sink/drain area. Again, open crack, where water fell through crack, is visible on lower side of photo.



<u>Photo 5:</u> View of sink/drain area during 5-gallon pour test. Note crack on lower right side of photo does not have free water (water has infiltrated into crack).



<u>Photo 6:</u> View of crack following 5-galion pour test. Note width of crack and lack of pooled water. Also, some small white flecks are visible in crack, having got caught as water fell into crack.



<u>Photo 7:</u> View of crack following 5-gailon pour test. Note width of crack and lack of pooled water. Also, some small white flecks are visible in crack, having got caught as water fell into crack.



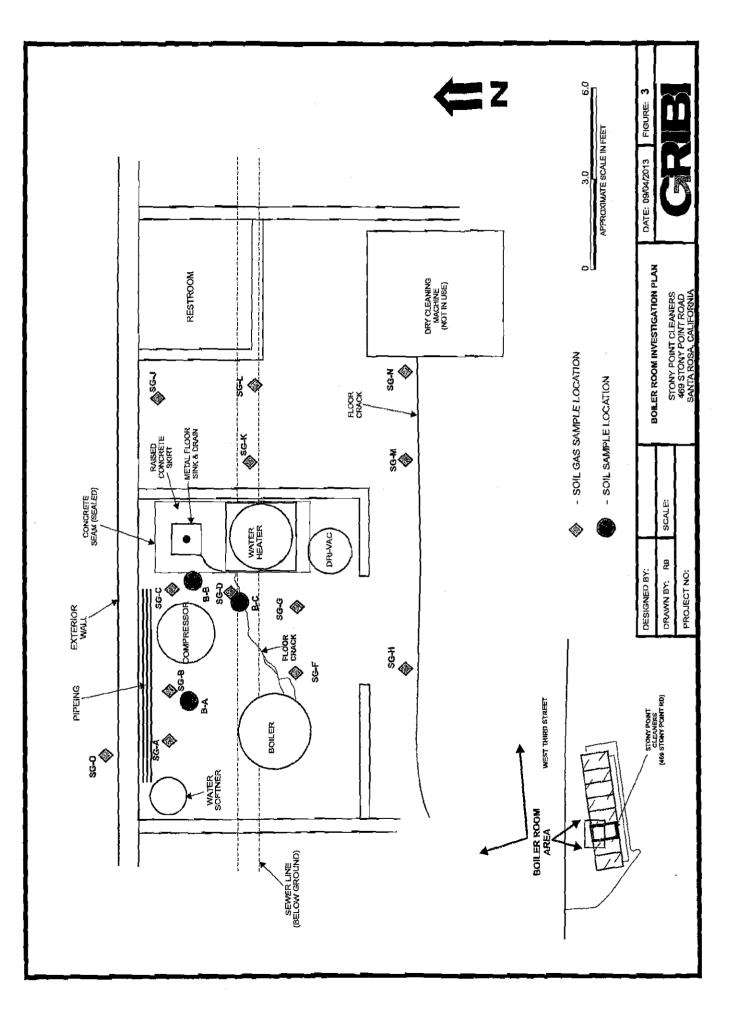
<u>Photo 8:</u> View of crack following 5-gallon pour test. Note open (no liquid) portion of crack, where water fell into crack.

# **EXHIBIT B**

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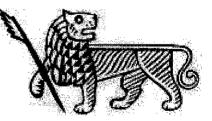


# EXHIBIT M

**In The Matter Of:** *MANAGEMENT AFFILATES v. KNAPP* 

> *TIM HAHN September 23, 2013*

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1	next to boiler and next to is the compressor. It was
2	kind of a but when I was there, the water softener
3	wasn't there.
4	Q. Okay.
5	A. But it was more like boiler was more like water
6	softener area, and then compressor close to, next to the
7	boiler.
8	Q. Okay. So your recollection was that the boiler
9	was where the water softener is located, and then to the
10	right of the boiler, if you're looking at the back wall,
11	the compressor was next to the boiler; is that right?
12	A. Yes.
<u>13</u>	Q. Okay. Then we have a water heater labeled to
<u>14</u>	the right of the boiler where the boiler currently
<u>15</u>	<u>stands.</u> Do you see that?
<u>16</u>	<u>A. Yes.</u>
<u>17</u>	Q. Okay. Was that water heater there when you
<u>18</u>	A. No.
<u>19</u>	Q when you owned the business?
<u>20</u>	<u>A.</u> <u>No.</u>
21	Q. Okay. Did you have a water heater when you
22	owned the business?
23	A. No.
24	Q. Okay.
25	A. You know, it, that, this diagram confused me.

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1	Q. And there were racks for clothes, correct?
2	A. Yes.
3	Q. And there was the dry cleaning machine,
4	correct?
5	A. Yes.
6	Q. And the restroom?
7	A. Yes.
8	Q. In that area behind the counter, aside from
9	this carpeting that was along the west wall, was the
10	rest of the floor concrete?
11	A. Yes.
12	Q. Okay. And when you acquired the business, was
13	that concrete in good condition?
14	A. Yes.
15	Q. And were there any cracks putting aside the
16	boiler room in the rest of the facility, were there
17	any cracks in the concrete that you remember?
18	A. No.
19	Q. Okay. Now, looking back at what we've marked
20	as Exhibit D, can you see extending from the corner of
21	the floor drain, do you see that?
22	A. Yes.
<u>23</u>	Q. There is a crack that's diagramed there and
<u>24</u>	<u>it's labeled "floor crack" in blue.</u> <u>Do you see that?</u>
<u>25</u>	<u>A.</u> <u>Yes.</u>

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1 Q. Stretching from the floor drain to the boiler. <u>2</u> Do you see that? 3 A. Yes. Q. Okay. Was that crack there when you owned the 4 5 business? <u>6</u> <u>A. No.</u> 7 Q. Okay. Did you move any of the equipment in the boiler room while you owned the business? 8 9 A. No. 10 Q. Did you have installed any new equipment in the 11 boiler room when you owned the business? <u>12</u> A. No. 13 Okay. Sir, I'm going to give you another --0. 14 and mark this as next in line. (WHEREUPON, DEFENDANTS' EXHIBIT F 15 16 WAS MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION.) 17 BY MR. BOYD: Q. I'm going to give you what is marked as 18 Exhibit F, and it's a series of pictures. It is three 19 20 pages. Going ahead and looking at photo No. 1 on the 21 first page of that exhibit. And I'll read the bottom, 22 and you just tell me if I'm reading it correctly, okay, 23 Mr. Hahn? 24 A. Yes. 25 "View of three soil borings in boiler room. Q.

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1 it gets some kind of mixed up. I don't know for sure, 2 you know, it happened. I assume it happened --3 Q. Okay. Α. -- because.... 4 5 ο. And does it also -- well, strike that. т'11 leave that as it is. 6 7 And counsel is right, I don't want to speak in 8 <u>generalities.</u> Do you, if you have -- well, let's just 9 try this again. Do you have a recollection of the 10 cooker gasket leaking at Stony Point Cleaners while you worked there? 11 12 A. Like I said, I'm not sure I, the one I'm operating now, I did have a few times it, you know, 13 14 leaked, so I put the buckets and, you know, so on. But that's <u>at</u> the <u>one in Hercules</u>, <u>correct?</u> 15 0. 16 Α. Yeah, yes. 17 Q. Okay. As you sit here today, can you remember 18 that ever happening at Stony Point Cleaners? <u>19</u> A. Like I said, I don't remember for clearly. <u>20</u> Q. Okay. Same question as to any other gasket 21 associated with a dry cleaning machine, do you remember 22 any leaks as you sit here today that occurred at Stony <u>23</u> Point Cleaners? 24 <u>A. It's just it's so long ago, I don't have a</u> 25 <u>clear memory of that, you know, where it was leaking or</u>

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1	<u>not. I mean that's why if I, if somebody can get, you</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>know, the record of that, you know, check, there's some</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>better idea I can say because some reason he come and</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>fix the, you know, machines or whatever.</u>
<u>5</u>	Q. Right. Okay. That makes sense. All right.
<u>6</u>	<u>And you do remember but I do recall you</u>
<u>7</u>	<u>testifying to Mr. Kalfen that you remember a service</u>
<u>8</u>	technician coming to the Stony Point Cleaners, correct?
<u>9</u>	<u>A.</u> Yes.
<u>10</u>	Q. Do you remember any of the reasons why the
<u>11</u>	service technicians came to Stony Point Cleaners?
<u>12</u>	<u>A. Yes.</u>
<u>13</u>	Q. Okay. And what were some of the reasons or
<u>14</u>	what were the reasons that you remember a service
<u>15</u>	technician coming to Stony Point Cleaners?
<u>16</u>	A. I do have some problem with the pressing
<u>17</u>	machine. Pressing machine is not working properly, so
<u>18</u>	<u>he had to come in and fix the, you know, some hoses or</u>
<u>19</u>	some few other things. Those things happen quite a bit.
20	<u>Not quite a bit. Yeah, maybe once a year or so.</u>
<u>21</u>	<u>So I had to call the, you know, serviceman and</u>
<u>22</u>	<u>come in, you know, fix it for me. So he can fix that</u>
<u>23</u>	<u>for me or some other, sometimes boiler has some problems</u>
<u>24</u>	<u>sometimes. Then, you know, I have to call, you know,</u>
<u>25</u>	boiler man to come and fix the boiler.
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l	Q. Okay. I'm specifically talking about the
<u>2</u>	serviceperson that you would have used for the dry
<u>3</u>	<u>cleaning machine. Was there a serviceperson you used</u>
<u>4</u>	for the dry cleaning machine?
<u>5</u>	A. Most serviceperson usually handle almost
<u>6</u>	everything.
<u>7</u>	<u>Q.</u> Oh, okay. So this was a serviceperson that
<u>8</u>	was, that would do anything that was needed for the
<u>9</u>	business, right?
<u>10</u>	<u>A. Usually, yes.</u>
<u>11</u>	<u>Q.</u> Okay. <u>So do you recall, that's again, right</u>
<u>12</u>	now, do you have any recollection of having to call a
<u>13</u>	serviceperson to work on the dry cleaning machine as
<u>14</u>	opposed to any other equipment in the building?
<u>15</u>	A. I don't remember. But there was serviceman
<u>16</u>	<u>came by four or five like I said, I don't remember,</u>
<u>17</u>	but definitely the serviceman came in and fixed the,
<u>18</u>	either pressing machine or either cleaning machine or
<u>19</u>	<u>either, either boiler or something because it, it's</u>
<u>20</u>	normal process, you know, here and there it breaks down.
<u>21</u>	Q. And just to be clear, what I want is do you
<u>22</u>	have any memory specific to the dry cleaning machine of
<u>23</u>	the serviceperson coming in and fixing the dry cleaning
<u>24</u>	<u>machine while you were at Stony Point Cleaners?</u>
<u>25</u>	A. Like I say, it's possible because it's, you

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1	know, the wire, some wires, the cleaning machine wires,
<u>2</u>	some mixed up, sometimes wire breaks down, wire burns or
<u>3</u>	the bulb burns out. Those things serviceman come and
<u>4</u>	<u>fix it.</u>
<u>5</u>	Q. And I want to be very clear. I don't want
<u>6</u>	possibilities, and I don't want quesses. I just want if
<u>7</u>	<u>you recall whether or not you ever had a serviceperson</u>
<u>8</u>	come in to work on the dry cleaning machine while you
<u>9</u>	were at Stony Point Cleaners?
<u>10</u>	A. My answer is I don't remember.
11	Q. Okay. Do you still use MBL and Echo as your
12	suppliers?
13	A. No. MBL is out of the business. They went
14	into bankruptcy.
15	Q. Do you still use Echo?
16	A. Echo, probably they closed down, too.
17	Q. When you were at Stony Point Cleaners, did you
18	use anybody other than MBL or Echo?
19	A. I don't remember.
20	MR. BOYD: I think that is all I have, sir.
21	And you may have some followup.
22	MR. KALFEN: Yes. Not much.
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24	/
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1	I, DEBBY CLARY, duly authorized to administer
2	oaths pursuant to Section 2093(b) of the California Code
3	of Civil Procedure, do hereby certify: That the witness
4	in the foregoing deposition was by me duly sworn to
5	testify the truth in the within-entitled cause; that
6	said deposition was taken at the time and place therein
7	cited; that the testimony of the said witness was
8	reported by me and was hereafter transcribed under my
9	direction into typewriting; that the foregoing is a
10	complete and accurate record of said testimony; and that
11	the witness was given an opportunity to read and correct
12	said deposition and to subscribe the same.
13	Should the signature of the witness not be
14	affixed to the deposition, the witness shall not have
15	availed him or herself of the opportunity to sign or the
16	signature has been waived.
17	I further certify that I am not of counsel, nor
18	attorney for any of the parties in the foregoing
19	deposition and caption named, nor in any way interested
20	in the outcome of the cause named in said caption.
21	DATED: October 1, 2013
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25	DEBBY CLARY, CSR. NO. 9705
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12	MANAGEMENT AFFILIATES (ManAff) &	) No. SCV 244318	
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14	Plaintiff(s),	<ul> <li>EINARSON IN SUPPORT OF STONY</li> <li>POINT ASSOCIATES, DAVID J.</li> <li>HOEMANN AND DUILLID M</li> </ul>	
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16	ELMER B. KNAPP, et al.,	<ul> <li>SUMMARY JUDGMENT OR, IN THE</li> <li>ALTERNATIVE, SUMMARY</li> <li>ADJUCIATION</li> </ul>	
17	Defendants.	)	
18 19	All related Cross-Claims	<ul> <li>Date: November 27, 2013</li> <li>Time: 3:30 pm</li> <li>Dept: 18</li> <li>Judge: Hon. Nancy Case Shaffer</li> </ul>	
20		) Trial: January 3, 2014	
21		)	
<ul> <li>I, MURRAY EINARSON, hereby declare as follows:</li> <li>I am a senior hydrogeologist and environmental consultant at Haley &amp; A</li> <li>Oakland, California. I have more than 30 years of experience as a consultant and hydro</li> </ul>			
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and I specialize in environmental site characterization and remediation. I make this dec			
26	based upon my own personal knowledge, training, and experience, and if called to testify, I would		
27	be able to testify truthfully to the facts contained		
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BUTY & CURLIANO LLP ATTORNEYS AT LAW 655 – 12 <sup>111</sup> STREET SUITE 1280 OAKLAND, CA 94607 510.267.3000	HOFMANN, AND PHILLIP M. STEINBOCK'S MO	PPORT OF STONY POINT ASSOCIATES, DAVID J. DTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT OR, IN THE MARY ADJUCIATION	

I have reviewed data and reports generated by Gribi & Associates ("Gribi") related
 to environmental investigations at Stony Point Shopping Center, located at 469 Stony Point Road
 in Santa Rosa, California ("Property"), including the November 19, 2011 Report of Monitoring
 Well Installation and Results of Third Quarter 2011 Groundwater Monitoring, the April 25, 2012
 First Quarter 2012 Groundwater Monitoring Report, the October 26, 2012 Second Quarter 2012
 Groundwater Monitoring Report, the April 26, 2013 Report of Monitoring Well Installation and
 Soil Boring Investigation, and the September 4, 2013 Report of PCE Source Area Investigation.

3. The lateral and vertical extent of the contamination plume at the Property, combined
with the calculated groundwater velocity in the area and the relatively low levels of
perchloroethylene, trichloroethylene, dichloroethylene, and vinyl chloride, show that the plume is
the result of one or more relatively recent releases from Stony Point Cleaners, i.e. within the last 20
years. While there is no data indicating contamination related to releases prior to 20 years ago, to
the extent any such releases occurred, their contribution to the contamination currently seen at the
Property is either non-existent or negligible.

I declare, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013, in

Oakland, California.

MURRAY EINARSON

DECLARATION OF MURRAY EINARSON IN SUPPORT OF STONY POINT ASSOCIATES, DAVID J. HOFMANN, AND PHILLIP M. STEINBOCK'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, SUMMARY ADJUCIATION

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10 January 2014 File No. 38913-000

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board 5550 Skylane Blvd., Suite A Santa Rosa, California 95403 Transmitted via email

Attention: Ms. Beth Lamb

Subject: Review of Draft Cleanup and Abatement Order Stony Point Cleaners Santa Rosa, California

#### Dear Ms. Lamb:

On behalf of counsel for Stony Point Associates, I have reviewed the Draft Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO) provided to the various parties affiliated with the Stony Point Cleaners (469 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, California) on 6 December 2013. The Draft CAO was issued by the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board for the parties for review prior to issuance of a final version of the CAO on or about 31 January 2014.

For your information, I was retained by counsel for Stony Point Associates, owners of the Stony Point shopping center in 1984 and 1985, <sup>1</sup> in support of litigation between Stony Point Associates and current and past owners of the shopping center and current and past operators of Stony Point Cleaners.

I have carefully reviewed the Draft CAO. While the technical requests in the Draft CAO appear reasonable, it does not seem appropriate to require Stony Point Associates to be a party to future characterization and cleanup efforts. I have reviewed existing site characterization data in detail as part of my work on this project. All existing subsurface characterization data indicate that the dissolved plune of chlorinated solvent compounds has not migrated very far downgradient from the Stony Point Cleaners. For example, plume maps included in a recent Gribi & Associates technical report show the leading edge of the PCE plume (defined at a concentration of 10 ug/L) less than 300 feet from the source of the contamination at the Stony Point Cleaners.<sup>2</sup> The limited transport distance of dissolved PCE compared to the likely range of groundwater velocities in the subsurface near the site indicates that the release of PCE from Stony Point Cleaners occurred relatively recently, not nearly 30 years ago when Stony Point Associates owned the property.

<sup>1</sup> Stony Point Associates owned the shopping center for 16 months from February 1, 1984 to May 31, 1985 <sup>2</sup> Gribi & Associates, Report of PCE Source Area Investigation. September 4, 2013 North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board 10 January 2014 Page 2

Consequently, on behalf of Stony Point Associates, I respectfully request that Stony Point Associates not be listed as a Discharger in the Draft CAO. Please contact me if you would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely yours, Haley & Aldrich, Inc.

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Murray D. Einarson, Principal Hydrogeologist

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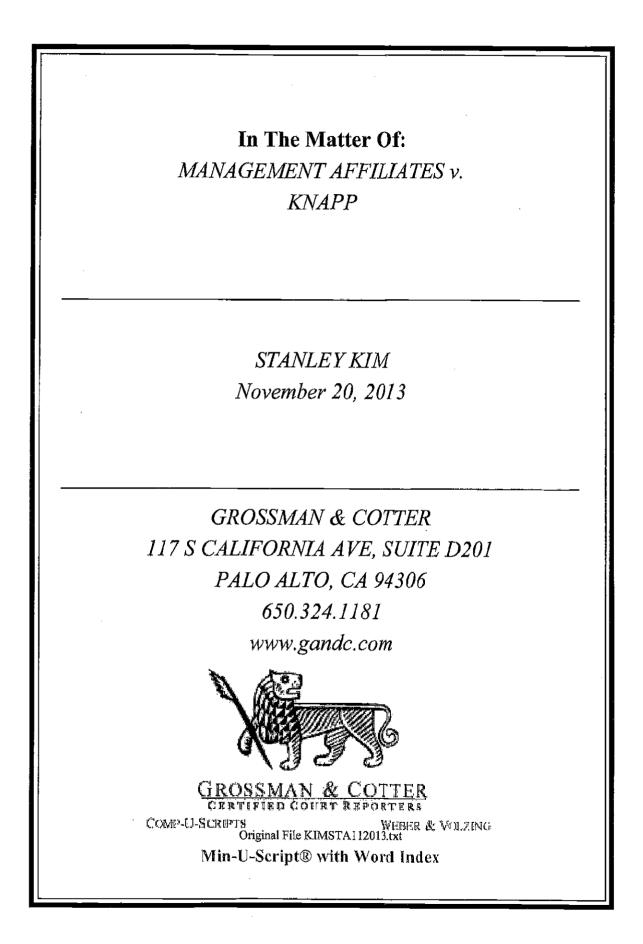
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this in around April 29th or early May 2002?	1 A. It was originally like the selling price
	2 was 900 something, but I got special deal with the 70
	3 or something. Special deal with 700.
	4 Q. Okay. So am I correct that between 1996 when
	5 you purchased the business and having this visit from
	6 Mr. Murray in 2002 that you never changed the filter o
-	7 the filler in the bathroom?
	9 Q. Is that right?
	10 A. Yes.
-	11 Q. That's correct?
Q. That's why I wanted you to look at it.	12 A. Um-hum.
A. Yeah. Now, I remember. Chris Murray, he also	13 Q. You have to say "yes."
a mention about this.	14 A. Yes, yes.
Q. Okay. And Chris Murray is mentioned here as	15 MR. KALFEN: He doesn't have to say "yes." If
	16 "yes" is your response, then "yes" would be the
A. Right, right, right.	17 appropriate response.
	18 MR. BOYD: Well, to make the record clear, I
	19 was only letting the witness know that he was sayin
-	20 "um-hum" and nodding his head and I was just letting hir
	21 know that he had to say "yes."
	22 MR. KALFEN: Fair enough. And I knew you wer
-	23 doing that, too; just to make sure there wasn't any
	· · · ·
	24 other implication.
deal with wr. wurldy?	25 MR. BOYD: Thank you, Counsel.
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A. Yes.	1 MR. KALFEN: You're welcome.
Q. And as a result of this, this looks like	2 BY MR, BOYD:
-	3 Q. Okay. So now after the mister was installed,
	4 tell me how the wastewater was dealt with from the
Q. Did you understand this order to instruct you	
no longer to put any wastewater into the sewer; is that	1.5 machine
	5 machine.
	6 A. Mist machine.
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	<ul> <li>this in around April 29th or early May 2002?</li> <li>A. I don't remember.</li> <li>Q. You don't remember this document at all?</li> <li>A. No.</li> <li>Q. Okay. Go ahead and take a look at it and read it and have the translator help you if you have anything that you don't understand. (Interpreter translation.)</li> <li>A. Oh, okay, I think I remember this one, yeah.</li> <li>I see the time frame was wrong, other than my memory.</li> <li>Yes, I know, yeah.</li> <li>Q. That's why I wanted you to look at it.</li> <li>A. Yeah. Now, I remember. Chris Murray, he also a mention about this.</li> <li>Q. Okay. And Chris Murray is mentioned here as the inspector in</li> <li>A. Right, right, right.</li> <li>Q in paragraph 3(b); right?</li> <li>A. Yes, yes.</li> <li>Q. And you've actually dealt with Mr. Murray a few times during your ownership of Stony Point Cleaners; right?</li> <li>A. Yes.</li> <li>Q. And as a result of this, this looks like this cease and desist order.</li> <li>A. Yes.</li> </ul>

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1 wastewater out of the machine, dry cleaning machine, I	1 Q. Is that right?
2 pour into the mist machine. That top contains	2 A. Yes.
contains 2.5 gallons at a time, and then it misting by	3 Q. Does that happen all year round, including
4 air pressure to the roof.	4 middle of winter?
5 Q. Okay. I'm going to	5 A. Yes.
6 A. That's what I did.	6 Q. And the pipe that or the tube that comes
7 Q. Okay. I'm going to take you back to Exhibit	7 from the mist machine outside to the exterior runs along
8 D, which is the pictures. Okay. And you remember you	a the inside of the building; correct?
9 circled the mist machine before?	9 A. I'm sorry.
Lo A. Yeah, yeah.	10 Q. It runs along strike that.
1 Q. Okay. Tell me how you would pour the well,	11 The tube that goes from the misting machine
L2 strike that.	12 runs along the wall above the door of the bathroom
	13 correct?
L3 Looking at the bucket with the blue label.	14 A. Yes,
	15 Q. In your business?
6 A. Yes.	16 A. Yes.
L7 Q. And then you would pour it where in the mist machine?	17 Q. And then it goes out the wall and then up to
	18 the roof?
Le A. The top of top of mist machine. There's no	19 A. Out to the fan, the fan space, because the
lid right now on the picture, and after opening the lid,	20 tube is quarter inch.
21 I pour it right on top of it.	21 Q. Okay. There's still two extra we have the
2 Q. It looks like there's a handle inside the mist	22 mist machine here.
a machine?	23 Did you still collect extra wastewater in five
A. Yeah, handle, which is access nozzle. This is	24 gallon buckets even after you got the mist machine?
the closing plug actually called plug. When I pour	25 A. After I got the mist machine, I don't really
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1 it, I have to open it and then pour it, and then wait	1 have to use this one, yeah.
2 until it goes down, and then lock it lock the bell	2 Q. Okay. So do you
top part and bottom part bell has to be open to mist.	3 A. Not often as before, I used the mist machine.
4 Q. Okay.	4 Q. Not as often?
5 A. Pushing out by air.	5 A. Yeah, not as often.
6 Q. Okay, How long does the process of	6 Q. But sometimes?
7 transferring the bucket of water into the mist machine	7 A. Sometimes.
s take, say, two-and-a-half gallons?	8 MR. BOYD: I'm just going to march through
9 A. Oh, probably two, three minutes.	9 these. This is J.
Lo Q. Okay. So it's a much faster process	10 (Whereupon, Deposition Exhibit J was
L1 A. Of course, yes.	11 marked for identification.)
2 Q than the filter was?	12 BY MR. BOYD:
3 A, Yes.	13 Q. Okay. I'll represent to you that I received
.4 Q. Is that right?	14 documents In date order or semi-date order from
LS A. Yes.	15 Mr. Kelleher. That's where I got these documents.
6 Q. And then once the water from the machine is in	16 The J here was in a folder called 1998. It
7 the mist machine, then compressed air comes in from the	17 looks like the very first page is a cancellation notice
	18 It looks to be from 1997.
.a. Compressor: correct?	19 Do you believe that that canceliation notice
20 Q. And then the water is sent through a tube	20 on the cover there is the cancellation notice that M
21 outside away from the mist machine up onto the roof	21 Brett was sending a letter to you about that we
s	21 Diett was sending a feiter to you about that we 22 discussed earlier?
az and spread out over in the air -	
22 and spread out over in the air – 23 A. In the air.	23 (Interpreter translation.)
<ul> <li>and spread out over in the air –</li> <li>A. In the air</li> <li>Q to evaporate?</li> <li>A. Yes.</li> </ul>	

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1 Q. Okay.	1 performing it?
2 A. All I know is you know, 'cause they've been	2 A. No.
3 around found several customers in Santa Rosa, you	3 Q. Okay. Why don't you go ahead and tell me what
4 know, not just me.	4 the process was to waterproof a plece of clothing?
5 Q. Okay. But is it your understanding that their	5 A. Processing is, for example, raincoat, if they
6 problems came from one of the customers that was that	6 want to waterproof, there's about about ten
7 a facility they were servicing, or was It their facility	7 between 10 to 15 gallons always, one-third of drum lower
s If you know?	8 level. That's the limitation. You can't go for, you
9 A. Their facility.	9 know, more than 15 galions of PCE solvent, and I had to
10 Q. Moving on: We've marked Exhlblt R. Okay. We	1.0 mix with clear crystal, which is waterproofing solution,
11 were previously reviewing that. There has been some	11 gallons of it, and mix with it.
12 reference in the pictures to PCE barrels.	12 When I do the waterproofing of the garments, I
13 Did vou ever have any PCE stored on-site for	13 have to soak in once all the way in with chemical gloves
14 the machine during the time you've owned it?	14 and then - before I put it in, there's a basket between
15 A. There's one drum, which is 50-gallon drum, and	
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	16 that the basket cannot exit out of the drum because
17 container required by AQMD, if I'm using it, which is	17 leakage concerning over leakage.
18 about waterproofing processing,	18 Q. Okay.
19 Q. Okay	19 A. So after soak it, lift that basket out and
20 <u>A. Yeah</u> .	20 hang it on the side of drum and the top off and set it
21 Q. So you had did you have a waterproofing	21 overnight.
22 process during the time you owned Stony Point Cleaners?	22 Q. Set it -
23 A. Some period of time.	23 A. Set it overnight. That all the PCE and
24 Q. Do you still have	24 liquid is
	25 Q. Dripping back into the drum?
25 A. Until the AQMD stop proceeding. They want me	
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<u>1. to stop it</u>	1 A. Dripping back into the drum.
2 Q. Okay.	2 Q. Okay.
3 A. Not just me, all the cleaners.	3 A. Like semi dry.
4 Q. Right. Do you remember about when that	4 Q. Got it. And then you take it take the
5 happened?	
6 A It's hard to remember.	6 A. Put it in the dryer. No, not to hang it up.
7 Q. Was it after	7 That's illegal.
a A. Many years ago	8 Q. Oh, okay. Put it in the dryer?
9 Q. Was it after 2002 when you got the cease and	9 A. Put it in the dryer and dry cycle.
10 desist order?	10 Q. Okay. And the dryer is where?
11 A. Could be or not. I'm not sure.	11 A. In the dry cleaning machine.
12 Q. Would you say it's around the same time frame?	12 Q. So you put It back in the dry cleaning
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13 A. I'm not sure.	13 machine?
<ol> <li>A. I'm not sure.</li> <li>O. Okay. Am I correct that you did waterproofing</li> </ol>	13 machine? 14 A. ⊤hat's right.
14 Q. Okay. Am I correct that you did waterproofing	14 A. That's right.
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CEASE AND DESIST ORDER

#### LEGAL AUTHORITY

The following findings are made and Order issued pursuant to the authority vested in the City of Santa Rosa's Environmental Services Superintendent under the Santa Rosa City Code Title 15-Sewers, Chapter 15-08,090 B(3). This Order's based on findings of violation under the Santa Rosa City Code Title 15 Chapter 15-24,040 G.

#### FINDINGS

- 1. STONY POINT CLEANERS discharges non-domestic wastewater containing pollutants into the Laguna Subregional Reclamation Facility.
- STONY POINT CLEANERS was issued a Wastewater Discharge Permit #SR-NR2078 on May 8, 1998 which contains prohibitions, restrictions, limitations, and special requirements related to the discharge of wastewater to the sanitary sewer.
- During an inspection on April 26, 2002, STONY POINT CLEANERS was found to be in violation of the Sewer Use Ordinance and Wastewater Discharge Permit #SR-NR2078 in the following manner:
  - a. Samples taken by this office on April 24, 2002 found wastewater containing Perchloroethylene (PCE) in a private sewer lateral connected to STONY POINT CLEANERS,
  - b. An inspection by City of Saata Rosa Industrial Inspector. Chris Murray confirmed the Perchloroethylene (PCE) source to be a Vic Hydrosorb Carbon Filter used to treat condensate at STONY POINT CLEANERS.
  - c. It appears the Vic Hydrosorb Carbon Filter is not being replaced on a consistent basis and resulting in Ferchloroethylens (PCE) to break through and discharge to the sanitary sewer.
  - d. PART 1, PAGE 3, PROVISION #7 of STONY POINT CLEANERS Wastewater Discharge Permit states Perchloroethylene, PCE is prohibited from being discharged to the sanitary sewer. Any water separator condensateor any other waste containing Perchloroethylene (PCE) shall be collected, stored and disposed of as hazardous waste.

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#### NOTICE

# THEREFORE, BASED ON THE ABOVE FINDINGS, STONY POINT CLEANERS IS HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT:

- 1. It is in violation of City of Santa Rosa City Code Title 15-Sewers, and Wastewater Discharge Permit #SR- NR2078.
- Due to the serious nature of this illegal discharge, the City of Santa Rosa has ordered you to cease any discharge of treated condensate water or any other Perchlorcethylene (PCE) related compounds to the sanitary sewer.
- 3. STONY POINT CLEANERS is hereby required to start collecting condensate water for off-site disposal by a licensed hauler.
- 4. STONY POINT CLEANERS shall obtain prior approval from this office before resumption of any condensate treatment.
- 5. Failure to comply with this order will constitute a further violation of the Santa Rosa City Codes Chapter 15 Sewers and may subject STONY POINT CLEANERS to civil or criminal penalties or such other enforcement response as may be appropriate up to and including immediate termination of services.
- 6. This Notice, entered this the 29th day of April, 2002 will be effective upon receipt by STONY POINT CLEANERS Pending further investigation, additional enforcement action may be initiated by the City of Santa Rosa.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or comments please call me or Chris Murray at (707)543-3369.

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Final disposition:	Resolution, Mutual Settlement, Mar 19,2003

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As a previous customer of the Stony Point Cleaners I must admit that I was very dissatisfied with their so called "quality services." Here is a list of my complaints:

- 1. The store hours are never precise and many times I had to forgo with clean clothing on my business trips.
- I've also noticed that many of my clothing have been returned smelling distinctively of their cleaning chemical perc. I have noted this to them and they had failed to fix the problem.
- 3. I take regular walks around the local neighborhood and every time I pass the shopping center I see that there is not back door for the cleaners and as I walk by I am hit by the strong smell of chemicals.
- 4. The biggest problem I have noticed is that on one of my walks I saw the owner carrying in a can of perc. I heard that the owner had obtained the can in an illegal way. I have also heard they had spilled perc many times around the cleaning machines. I emphasize this point because the chemical is highly dangerous. If spill its fumes are toxic to humans, and a contamination to the environment.

With all of these negative attributes I do not think that this dry oleaner's services is not acceptable in this shopping center. I am not the only one in my complaints, many of the local people have complained and we all agree that this store should not be in this shopping center.

Thank you for your time and patience

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Dear Mr. Jones,

This letter is about the chemical smells. I have thought about this matter for a good amount of time and I think this is a good time to bring it up. I believe, you as the manager, are the right person to talk to about this problem. I hope to discuss this problem with the landlord directly, maybe. I have used this facility for a long time and whenever I walk into the area, I am able to smell chemicals. To my discovery, I found the ground contaminated with cleaning solution. The smell was too strong to bear. I am sure that the ground is contaminated with a great amount of solution. Having worked with many chemicals in the cleaning business, I have heard that this chemical causes many health problems including cancer. This will not only be a big problem for the landlord, but also for my health and also the health of my employees and neighbors. As the manager, I am confident that you can do something about this matter. Thank you

#### Sincerely,