
State Water Resources Control Board

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Ms. Holly Quasem
ConocoPhillips Company
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Dear Ms. Quasem:

**CLOSURE DENIAL REVIEW FOR PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK
CASE, CONOCOPHILLIPS COMPANY NO. 254000, 2551 WEST MAIN STREET,
ALHAMBRA, LOS ANGELES COUNTY**

State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) Resolution No. 2012-062 requires that State Water Board staff review a lead agency's decision when the lead agency has denied a request by a responsible party for an underground storage tank (UST) case closure pursuant to the Low-Threat UST Case Closure Policy (Policy).

The subject site has the following identification numbers:

- GeoTracker No. T0603704889
- Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board Case No. R-38261

The State Water Board received one comment letter from the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) in response to the "Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment, dated October 2, 2013. Regional Water Board staff disagrees with the proposed UST case closure because general and media-specific criteria have not been met.

After careful consideration of comments and the GeoTracker record, I have determined that this site does not meet General Criteria f which is a requirement for removing the secondary source to the extent practicable. Since 2010, concentrations of petroleum hydrocarbons have increased in several monitoring wells and the February 2010 SVE and AS pilot test results demonstrate that there is a significant amount of petroleum in the soil and additional remediation of soil and groundwater near the secondary source area is technically and economically feasible.

The secondary source continues to pose a threat to human health, safety and the environment. Criteria for low-threat UST case closure have not been met at this time, and therefore, closure of the UST case is not appropriate.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Benjamin Heningburg at (916) 341-5749 or Benjamin.Heningburg@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,


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Executive Director

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