September 17, 2007

Mr. Greg Haet
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Office of Environment, Health & Safety
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Dear Mr. Haet:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has received and reviewed the Final Memorandum for a Time-Critical Removal Action (TCRA) at the Former Forest Products Laboratory Wood Treatment Laboratory for the University of California, Berkeley, Richmond Field Station, located in Richmond, California. The TCRA, dated August 24, 2007, describes the proposed removal of soils containing elevated levels of arsenic at the former Forest Products Laboratory, Wood Treatment Laboratory. DTSC's review finds that the TCRA adequately addresses our previous concerns and is approved. Implementation of the TCRA may begin after the approved public notice is published in a local paper and sent to DTSC's site mailing list. In addition, a copy of the administrative record, including the enclosed Notice of Exemption, must be placed into the information repository at the City of Richmond Main Library. Please notify DTSC at least three days prior to the start of implementation of the field work.

If you have any questions please contact Lynn Nakashima of my staff at (510) 540-3839.

Sincerely,

Barbara J. Cook, P.E., Chief
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Enclosure