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Distributed to the Richmond Southeast Shoreline Area Community Advisory Group

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Dear Richmond Southeast Shoreline Area CAG Members:

My name is Doreen Moreno. I am from UC Berkeley's Government and Community Relations office and am here tonight on behalf of the University to listen to the community's concerns and to provide this statement of our position regarding the Summary of Violations issued to UC Berkeley by the enforcement branch of the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) on June 29.

For several years now, the University has been diligently working with many governmental agencies in an open and public manner, to clean up environmental contamination caused by others, those being historic industrial predecessors on and near what is now UC property. The University's primary goal has always been, and continues to be, the efficient clean up and restoration of the Richmond Field Station in a way that protects the health and safety of our employees and the surrounding community. From the project's inception, we have performed this clean up in an effective and responsible manner, first with the guidance, oversight and approval of the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board as our assigned lead agency, and subsequently under the Site Mitigation branch of DTSC. Throughout this project we have worked in good faith and in a fully cooperative manner with both lead agencies.

It is important to note that the June 29 Summary of Violations letter refers to alleged deficiencies in meeting administrative requirements during the first three phases of the Richmond Field Station clean up program, and not to any current health risk.

We are eager to meet with DTSC soon to discuss these issues and to move forward with our restoration, which will benefit the Richmond Southeast Shoreline Area and the surrounding community.

Thank you.

*** For updates on the clean up and restoration efforts and other RFS news, please refer to the Richmond Field Station website at <http://rfs.berkeley.edu/index.html>