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Via Electronic Mail Only

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APPROVAL OF REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN AND CEQA DOCUMENTS FOR
THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD BEVERLY HILLS PROPERTY, 9315 CIVIC CENTER
DRIVE, BEVERLY HILLS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY (SITE CODE: 301247)

Dear Mr. Hodson:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) hereby approves the Removal Action Workplan (RAW) dated September 18, 2020, prepared by Jacobs for the above referenced property (Site) for implementation and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) documents. The RAW and CEQA documents were reviewed pursuant to the Standard Voluntary Agreement (Docket Number: HSA-A 04/05-066) between the Union Pacific Railroad Company and DTSC.

The Site was used in historical operations as a railroad transportation right-of-way that covers approximately 5 acres and is divided into two parcels, lots 12 & 13. Previous environmental investigations conducted at the Site found surface soils impacted by arsenic. Both parcels are currently vacant and owned by the Beverly Hills Land Company since 1998.

The RAW includes site characterization; removal action goals and objectives; development and analysis of removal action alternatives; an implementation plan; sampling and analysis plan; a transportation plan; a site restoration plan; a health and safety plan; public participation activities; and associated California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) information as it pertains to the Site remedial actions. The RAW proposes to address soil that is impacted by arsenic through excavation and off-site disposal. Additionally, the RAW proposes further characterization sampling to aid the excavation and confirmation sampling will be performed to confirm site-specific target goals have been met.

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DTSC held a 30-day public comment period from September 23, 2020 to October 22, 2020 for the RAW and associated CEQA documents, Initial Study and Negative Declaration. DTSC received and evaluated all comments and prepared a response.

Please provide one electronic copy and two hardcopies of the final RAW to DTSC within 30 days from the date of this letter. The final version of the RAW should include a copy of the Initial Study, the final Negative Declaration and the response to public comments.

A Land Use Covenant will be necessary to restricts land-use in accordance with the institutional controls.

Please, provide DTSC with an implementation schedule of work related to the RAW activities. Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Sara Vela at (818) 717-6618 or email at Sara.Vela@dtsc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'H. Salloum', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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