



June 14, 2013

Rafael Moure-Eraso
U. S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board
2175 K Street NW
Suite 650
Washington, DC 20037-1809

Dear Honorable Moure-Eraso:

Re: **2012-03-I-CA-R3 THROUGH R5 AND R6 THROUGH R8 AND R16**

The investigation of the August 6, 2012 Chevron Richmond Refinery that was performed by the U. S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB) investigation team was very thorough and professional. It was mine and the Contra Costa County Hazardous Materials Staff pleasure to work with them.

Enclosed you will find the actions that the County and the City of Richmond staffs are planning to take to address recommendations from the interim report on this incident. It has come to my attention that the copy of the County's Industrial Safety Ordinance that was on the County's web site did not include language from a 2000 amendment to this ordinance. This amendment was a change that addressed inherently safer systems and I believe the 2000 amendment addresses a concern raised by the investigation team. The enclosed document has the correct language from the 2000 amendments. If the investigation team had the correct language, the recommendations 2012-03-I-CA-R4 and R7 may have been different. I ask the CSB review the correct Industrial Safety Ordinance language to determine if their recommendation may need to be revised. Regardless the County and the City are planning to revise the Industrial Safety Ordinance to address your recommendation on Inherently Safer System.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Chief Environmental Health and Hazardous Materials Officer

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