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August 6, 2021

Re: Municipal Setting Designation

Former UNOCAL Chemical Distribution Facility

7010 Mykawa Road, Houston, Texas

#### Dear Recipient:

You are receiving this certified letter because public records show there is a registered water well on your property that is within 5 miles of the Former UNOCAL Chemical Distribution Facility located at 7010 Mykawa Road, Houston, Texas 77033 ("Site"). The location of the Site and water wells within a 5-mile radius of the Site are shown in **Figure 1**.

Ashland LLC ("Ashland") is applying for a Municipal Setting Designation (MSD) and seeking approval from the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to restrict groundwater usage beneath this Site. The purpose of an MSD is to create a means by which the TCEQ may limit the scope of investigations and response actions for groundwater contamination at a site, if the groundwater is prohibited for use as a source of potable water. A MSD is the way for a property owner to legally say that the groundwater at their property cannot be used for drinking water now or in the future, to protect public health. This Site meets all of the eligibility requirements per the Texas Health and Safety Code (THSC) Sections 361.803 and 361.805(b)(2):

- the property is within the corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality authorized by statute; and
- a public drinking water supply system exists that satisfies the requirements of Chapter 341 (Minimum Standards of Sanitation and Health Protection Measures) and that supplies or is capable of supplying drinking water to:
  - o the property for which designation is sought; and
  - o property within one-half mile of the property for which designation is sought.

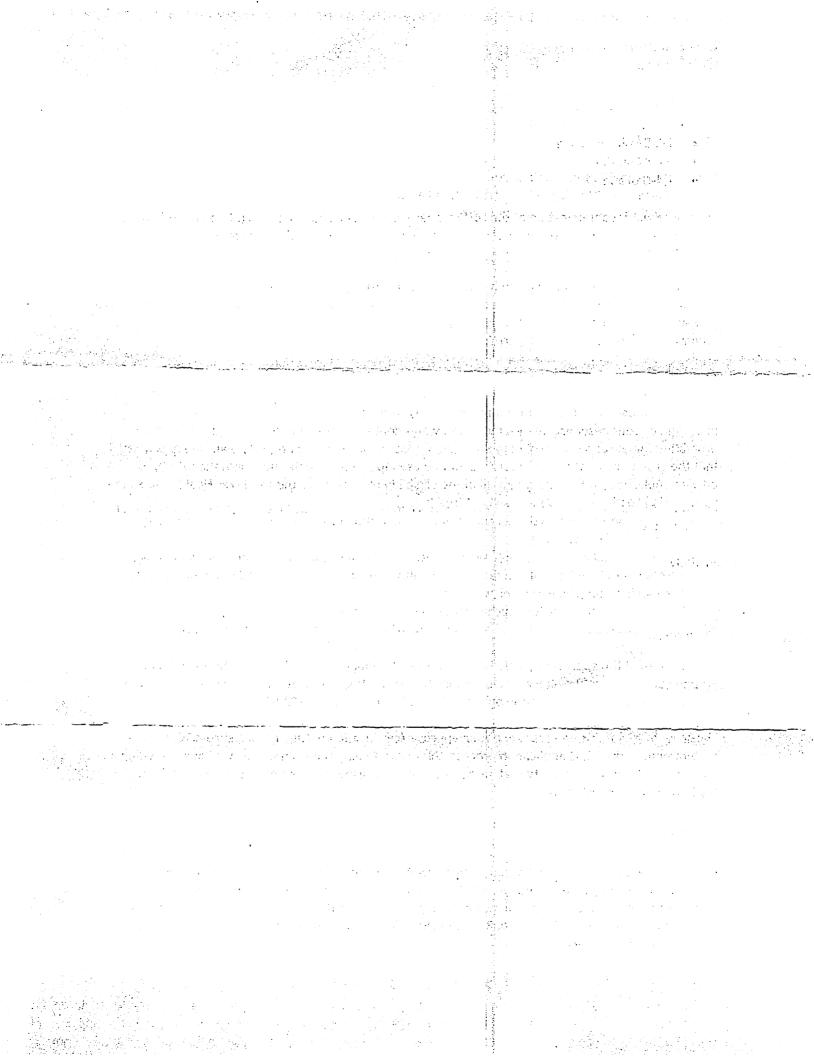
The first step of the approval process is to obtain a city ordinance from the City of Houston that restricts groundwater usage at the Site. A city ordinance that restricts groundwater use at this Site was passed and adopted by the City of Houston on May 27, 2020 (Ordinance No. 2020-457).

The second step of this process is to obtain approval/certification of the ordinance from TCEQ. As a requirement of the TCEQ application process, this letter is being sent to notify all well owners within a 5-mile radius of the MSD property that an MSD is being requested for the property located at 7010 Mykawa Road in Houston, Texas.

# Background

Historical uses of the Site, when occupied by UNOCAL, resulted in chemical releases to the upper groundwater-bearing zone, approximately 20 to 28 feet deep. UNOCAL is considered the responsible party for the contamination. The following chemicals have been detected in groundwater monitoring wells at the Site above the Texas Risk Reduction Standard 2 for groundwater (industrial land use):

Tetrachloroethylene



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- Trichloroethylene
- Cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene
- 1,1-Dichloroethylene
- Vinyl Chloride
- 1,4-Dioxane

The groundwater contamination at the MSD property occurs at a shallow depth (20 to 28 feet) and is limited to the area shown on **Figure 2.** The groundwater contamination does not affect your property, and the groundwater in this water-bearing zone is not the groundwater the City of Houston uses for its drinking water source.

Per THSC Section 361.805(b)(4), the recipient of this letter has 60 days from receipt of this notice to provide comment on any information related to the MSD to the executive director's attention. Municipalities and retail public utilities have 120 days from the date of this letter to pass a resolution opposing the application for the MSD as required by THSC Section 361.805(b)(8).

The municipalities and retail public utilities may provide written comments on any information related to the MSD to the executive director's attention pursuant to THSC Section 361.805(b)(4). The TCEQ will certify, deny, or request additional information regarding the MSD application from the applicant no later than 90 days after receiving the MSD application as required by THSC Section 361.805(b)(5).

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this MSD application, please notify the TCEQ, Region 12 Houston office at 713-767-3500 or Ms. Alayna Geotsch, TCEQ MSD Program Coordinator, at 512-239-2236.

Sincerely,

Pat Peterson, PG Project Manager

Enclosures:

Figure 1 – Summary Map – 5 Mile Buffer

Figure 2 – Former UNOCAL Chemical Distribution Facility – 7010 Mykawa Road, Houston, Texas

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Figures

### Summary Map - 5 Mile Buffer



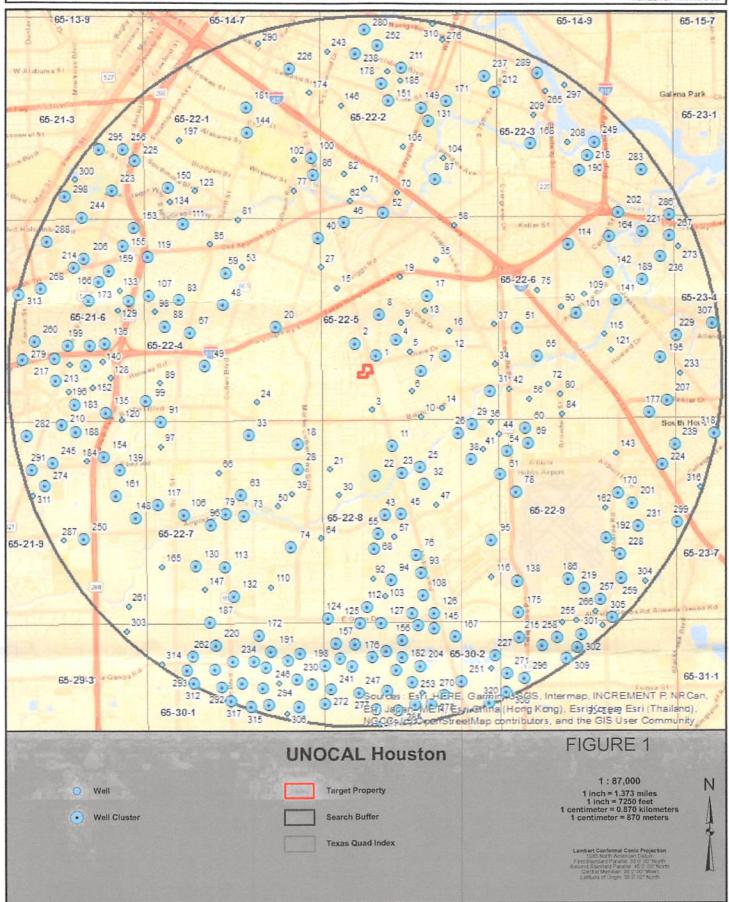






Figure 2
Former UNOCAL Chemical Distribution Facility
7010 Mykawa Road
Houston, Texas