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**SUBJECT:   RELEASE REPORT: OCTOBER 13, 2005**  
**LDEQ REPORT # YO2543**  
**LDEQ AGENCY INTEREST #1406**  
**MOTIVA ENTERPRISES, LLC - NORCO REFINERY**

In accordance with LAC 33:I:3925.A, Motiva Enterprises, LLC - Norco Refinery is providing a follow-up report to our on-line notification on October 13, 2005 at 1000 hours of the discovery of groundwater contamination during excavation activities at the Catalytic Reformer #1 (CR-1) Unit.

During excavation activities associated with the construction of a new flare knockout pot at the CR-1 Unit, liquid hydrocarbons were observed seeping into the excavation. Inspection of the area found that the material was very dark in color and was restricted to a small area along the south/southeastern portion of the excavation. When the material was discovered to be entering the excavation near the soil/groundwater interface, an on-line notification of possible groundwater contamination was made. All construction activities were immediately stopped in the area of the seepage and the material recovered using a vacuum truck.

The area in question was previously investigated through the collection of both soil and groundwater samples and the discovery of groundwater impacts was reported to the LDEQ (letter of May 31, 2005, from Tir to Brent). The investigation reported a single benzene concentration exceeding the RECAP Screening Standard but below the MO-1 standard in the uppermost groundwater-bearing zone at one location. The investigation fully characterized and delineated the area of impact.

The above information was reviewed and discussed during the October 18, 2005 teleconference between Oliver Boyd and Mr. Jeff Jones of the LDEQ Technology Division. As the area of impact has been fully delineated and is being managed in accordance with the LDEQ-approved "East Site Groundwater Management Program," it was agreed that no further assessment or action is warranted.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Oliver Boyd at (504) 465-6315.

Sincerely,



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Manager - Environmental

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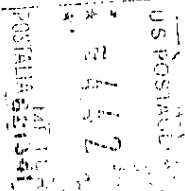
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