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Subject: RE: Additional PFAS Sampling at Merced Airport
Date: Monday, July 25, 2022 3:12:00 PM

Hello Mr. Angulo,

Thanks for reaching out.

Considering that the AOF method is relatively new, I think a six-month extension of the PFAS analysis results can be granted to accommodate the procurement of the appropriate lab service for that method. **The new due date for the PFAS sampling and analysis results as required in our June 21, 2022 letter is May 1, 2023.** Please note that this extension of due date does not apply to the monitoring for chlorinated solvents at the subject facility as required in MRP R5-2011-0808. The due date for the next Semi-annual Groundwater Monitoring Report for chlorinated solvent monitoring is still November 1, 2022.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the above message. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Helen

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EXTERNAL:

Good afternoon Ms. Yu- the City of Merced (City) is in receipt of the RWQCB's June 21, 2022, letter regarding groundwater sampling for PFAS at the Merced Regional Airport. The City respectfully requests a six-month time extension for the November 1,

2022, due date for the required PFAS reporting. The reason for the request is as follows-

The City currently contracts Airport groundwater sampling/reporting in 3-year intervals to coincide with laboratory services contracts. We had issued a new Request-for-Proposals for the Airport sampling (commencing upon the new fiscal year on July 1) with Herschy Environmental Inc., Jackson, California (Herschy) as the selected vendor. After we received the RWQCB's letter we requested a modified scope-of-work from Herschy to complete the PFAS sampling and related reporting. Today, Herschy has informed the City that they are experiencing difficulty procuring the services of a qualified laboratory to perform the PFAS analyses and included:

"I have run in to an issue regarding the AOF analysis as BSK does not do that or has heard of it. We are looking into a facility and pricing for that."

BSK Laboratory, Fresno, is our current our contracted lab and the City will need additional time to ensure the PFAS and AOF (adsorbable organic fluorine) lab issues are adequately addressed.

Thank you for your consideration of and timely response to this matter. Regards, Joe

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Hello Mr. Angulo,

Attached please find our letter request for additional PFAS sampling at the Merced Airport (Airport). This request is based on the results of the 2016 PFAS sampling event at the Airport, in which elevated concentrations of PFAS chemicals (e.g., PFHxS, PFOS, and PFOA) were observed in the Airport's groundwater. Results of the new PFAS sampling, as requested in the letter, will be used toward revising the existing Monitoring and Reporting Program (No. R5-2011-0808) at the Airport.

Details about our expectations for the PFAS sampling and reporting are discussed in the letter.

Should you have any questions about our letter request, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your continued support of the groundwater cleanup effort at the Airport.

Best regards,

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