

April 1, 2015

Dr. Susan Anenberg
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United States Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board
2175 K Street, NW
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Re: CSB Recommendation No. 2012-03-I-CA-R36

Dear Dr. Anenberg:

I personally and the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors would like to thank the US Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board's (CSB) staff for their excellent work and recommendations. The Board of Supervisors believes that Contra Costa County has the most progressive chemical facilities and petroleum refinery accident prevention requirements in the United States. We believe that by addressing the recommendations that were made to the Board of Supervisors will improve these requirements and make all of the facilities covered under the County's Industrial Safety Ordinances safer.

Recommendations were made to the Board of Supervisors in each of the three CSB reports that were generated from the CSB Chevron Richmond Refinery August 6, 2012 fire investigation. The resolution of the four recommendations from interim report and the recommendation from the regulatory report and how the recommendations are being addressed are included in the attachment. The final report recommendation is in the beginning phase of being addressed and the plan to address this recommendation can be found in the attachment. Recommendation 2012-03-I-CA-R10 was made to the State of California. How this recommendation is being addressed in Contra Costa County can also be found in the attachment.

The Board of Supervisors believes that the recommendations have either been addressed or is in the process of being addressed. Please work with Randall L. Sawyer the County's Chief Environmental Health and Hazardous Materials Officer if you have any questions, comments, or further actions that you would like to be made to fully address your recommendations.

Again, I wish to thank the CSB staff for the work that they did investigating the August 6, 2012 Chevron Richmond Refinery fire and developing the recommendations to address the findings from the investigation.

Sincerely,

John Gioia, Chair

cc: Board of Supervisors Members
Randall L. Sawyer, Chief Environmental Health and Hazardous Materials
Officer
Don Holmstrom, Director, Western Regional Office, CSB

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