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### LEAD CONTAMINATED SOIL VARIANCE MODIFICATION, CALTRANS DISTRICT 4

Dear Mr. Sartipi,

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) issued a lead contaminated soil variance (variance number 00-H-VAR-01) to Caltrans, District 4 on September 22, 2000. The variance allows Caltrans to manage and dispose onsite aerially contaminated lead soils during roadway constructions. The variance, which was originally scheduled to expire on September 22, 2005, was granted an extension by DTSC on July 21, 2005. The extension allowed Caltrans to operate using the variance of September 22, 2000 until June 30, 2006. Once the extension expires, Caltrans is no longer able to manage and dispose applicable lead contaminated soil onsite.

In the past year, DTSC has been working with Caltrans Headquarters to renew this variance. Although we have made significant progress on the renewal, it looks as if the renewal work will not be completed by the end of extension date. DTSC understands that while work toward the variance renewal continues, Caltrans still has construction projects that will require the use of this variance. Therefore, DTSC is modifying the variance 00-H-VAR-01 to extend the expiration date to June 30, 2007 to allow Caltrans to use the variance while the variance renewal processing is completed. Please note, this variance expiration extension is granted with the expectation that a good faith effort is shown by Caltrans to proceed with the variance renewal. DTSC has the authority to revoke a variance at any time.

This letter formally modifies the variance 00-H-VAR-01 issued to District 4 and shall be attached as addendum to the existing variance.

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If you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact Michael Choe of my staff at (916) 322-5308.

Sincerely,



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