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Mr. Patrick McDermott  
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Dear Mr. McDermott:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) is granting Site-Specific approval for the APT Underground Flexible Piping installed at The Big "D" Liquor & Food, located at 4710 Auburn Boulevard in Sacramento, California. This approval will remain in effect as long as the underground flexible piping passes an annual dynamic back pressure test per ARB's test procedure TP-201.4 (Dynamic back Pressure) and undergoes no major modifications which exposes fifty percent or more of the flex piping. Annual test results from TP 201.4 must be forwarded to the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District. If the system fails and a blockage is detected in the flex piping or if the gasoline dispensing facility undergoes a major modification, the flex piping must be removed and replaced with rigid piping.

Health and Safety Code section 41954 (f) states that, "No person shall offer for sale, sell, or install any new or rebuilt gasoline vapor control system, or any component of the system, unless the system or component has been certified by the state board and is clearly identified by a permanent identification of the certified manufacturer or rebuilder." All ARB certified vapor recovery systems have been evaluated and approved with vapor return and vent piping constructed of rigid material.

Underground flexible piping has not been certified by ARB for general use and its use is strictly limited to the identified gasoline dispensing facility. The use of underground flexible piping is further conditioned as described above for annual testing and major modifications.

If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact Joe Guerrero at (916) 324-9487 or via email at [jguerrer@arb.ca.gov](mailto:jguerrer@arb.ca.gov), or George Lew at (916) 327-0900 or via email at [glew@arb.ca.gov](mailto:glew@arb.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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*The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our Website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.*

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