

# NPL Site Narrative for Liquid Gold Oil Corp.

## LIQUID GOLD OIL CORP. Richmond, California

**Conditions at listing (December 1982):** The Liquid Gold Oil Corp. Site covers 17 acres of filled marshland within the City of Richmond, California. Liquid Gold was registered with the State of California as a "waste oil pickup" business. It purchased used oil and resold it for uses such as fuel, lubricating oil, and dust control. Several deteriorating buildings and 27 storage tanks of various sizes are on about 2 acres. Oily wastes found on the ground, as well as liquid wastes stored in the tanks, contain lead, chromium, nickel, and phenols. The site is within 1,000 feet of the San Francisco Bay and overlies shallow ground water, which has no known beneficial uses at present.

**Status (July 1983):** The site has been the subject of numerous State enforcement actions, and Liquid Gold has ceased operations at this location. The State is working with the landowner, Southern Pacific Transportation Co., to clean up the Liquid Gold facility. In May 1983, Southern Pacific completed removing the storage tanks and their contents from the facility. The State expects to receive a cleanup plan from Southern Pacific in August 1983.

For more information about the hazardous substances identified in this narrative summary, including general information regarding the effects of exposure to these substances on human health, please see the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) ToxFAQs. ATSDR ToxFAQs can be found on the Internet at [ATSDR - ToxFAQs](http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaq/index.asp) (<http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaq/index.asp>) or by telephone at 1-888-42-ATSDR or 1-888-422-8737.