



NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN FORMER WESTERN LEAD AND METAL SITE Los Angeles, California

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: August 23 to September 22, 2004

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comment on a draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the Former Western Lead and Metal site (a.k.a., International Lead Company) located at 2182 E. 11th Street, Los Angeles, California. If approved, the RAW will define the actions which must be taken to meet the cleanup and closure requirements for the former lead smelter property.

Several environmental investigations were conducted at the site under the oversight of the California Environmental Protection Agency's DTSC. During the investigation, metals (lead and arsenic) were detected in soil samples at levels that may pose a health risk. This workplan addresses the capping of contaminated soil on the former smelter property; and the removal of contaminated soil from small select areas near the smelter property. The contaminated soil will be removed and transported to a permitted offsite disposal facility. As part of the remedy, a land use covenant (deed restriction) will be placed on the property after the removal activities have been completed to ensure that the property is restricted to industrial use. DTSC has prepared a draft Notice of Exemption (NOE) for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act. The draft NOE, which is also available for comment, states that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment because of the relatively small volume, short project duration, and the controlled manner in which impacted soils will be capped, excavated, loaded onto trucks and taken offsite for disposal/treatment.

The draft Removal Action Workplan and other related documents are available for review at:

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Los Angeles, CA 90012
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Regional Records Room
1011 N. Grandview Avenue
Glendale, CA 91201
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All written comments must be postmarked no later than **September 22, 2004** and should be sent to the attention of Ms. Jessy Fierro, DTSC Project Manager, 1011 N. Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201.

Questions on the draft RAW should be directed to Ms. Treva Miller, DTSC Public Participation Specialist at (818) 551-2846, or Jessy Fierro, DTSC Project Manager at (818) 551-2174. For more information about the DTSC, please visit our website at www.dtsc.ca.gov.

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