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and restoring
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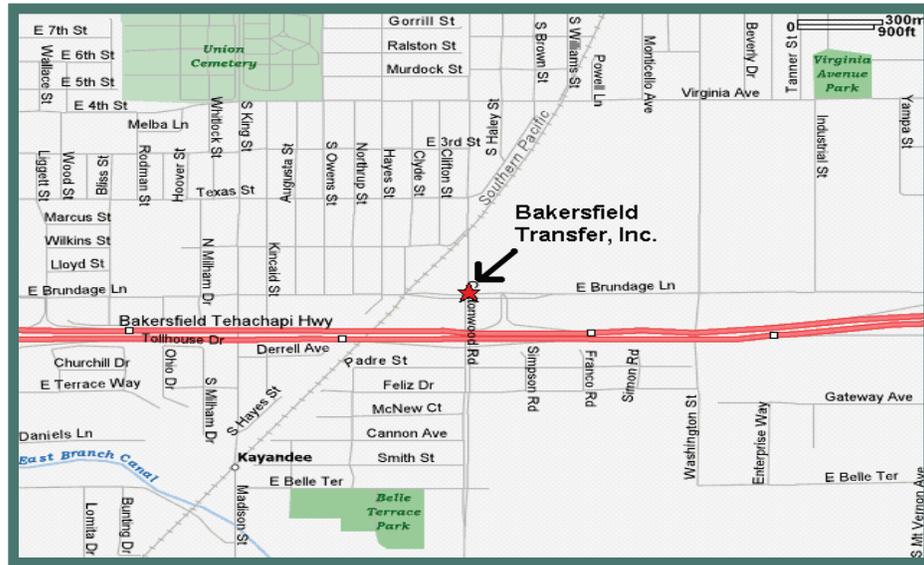
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Fact Sheet, December 2007

New Draft Permit and Negative Declaration for Bakersfield Transfer, Inc. Available for Public Review and Comment



The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to review and comment on a new draft Series B Standardize Permit (Permit) for Bakersfield Transfer, Inc. (BTI), located at 1620 East Brundage Lane #6 in Bakersfield. We also invite you to attend and participate in a public meeting/hearing. A public hearing is a formal process for DTSC to receive comments from the community on the draft Permit and CEQA document. Approval of the Permit will allow BTI to operate hazardous waste storage and transfer facility in Bakersfield. BTI will collect, store, and transfer used oil, used antifreeze, oily water, and solids contaminated with oil from offsite generators.

In addition to the draft Permit, DTSC also proposes to issue a Negative Declaration under CEQA which is available for public comment and review.

Public Comment Period and Meeting/Hearing

Comment Period: December 3, 2007 through January 16, 2008

Copies of the draft documents can be viewed at the information repositories listed on page 3 of this fact sheet. Written and e-mailed comments must be postmarked by January 16, 2008 and sent to:

Joanna Louie, Project Manager
700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 300
Berkeley, California 94710

Please e-mail comments to: Jlouie@dtsc.ca.gov

Public Meeting: Tuesday, January 8, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Public Hearing: 7:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Location: Kern County Library
506 East Brundage Lane
Bakersfield, CA 93307
(661) 861-2083

For information on accessibility or to request reasonable accommodations, please contact Ms. Kim Rhodes toll-free at 1-866- 495-5651 or 916- 255-3651 or by e-mail to Krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov no later than December 28, 2007.

Facility Description and Background

BTI is approximately 20,016 square feet and resides in the unpaved storage yard of the Sierra Bag Company which is now called Oglebay Norton Industrial Sands. There are currently no buildings on the site but there is a metal canopy structure. The proposed facility will consist of four tanks along with a laboratory and berms around all hazardous liquid storage areas.

BTI is a used oil and antifreeze transfer facility. The facility accepts used oil/waste oil, contaminated petroleum products, oily wastes, oily water, used antifreeze, used oil filters, oily solids, and generic oil/antifreeze/oil filters. Used oil and antifreeze are required to be managed as hazardous waste.

Upon approval of the draft Permit, the solid waste will be consolidated into containers and stored on-site in storage areas until being shipped to another recycling, treatment or disposal facility. The liquid waste will be filtered and then consolidated into containers or in one of four 20,000 gallon tanks before being shipped to another recycling, treatment or disposal facility. The filtrate will be put into containers and stored until shipment to another facility. If the draft permit is approved, BTI will be authorized to store and consolidate waste before being shipped to another facility.

Why a Permit is Necessary

DTSC regulates the generation, storage, treatment and disposal of hazardous waste in California. A permit enables DTSC to effectively regulate the hazardous waste management activities at facilities. Permits are developed after DTSC's detailed technical review, and are intended to ensure that the facility operates in a manner that protects human health and the environment.

BTI is seeking approval of the following proposed permitted units:

Unit 1 - Tank Farm

The Tank Farm will consist of four newly constructed tanks and vertically positioned. Each tank has a capacity of 20,000 gallons. Two of the tanks will store used oil. The other two will store used antifreeze and oily water. The tanks will be elevated to detect leaks.

Unit 2 - Drum Storage Area

The Drum Storage Area is 80 feet by 120 feet. The maximum permitted storage capacity for this area is 1,200-55 gallon drums and four 20-yard roll-off bins. The drums and/or roll-off bins will be stored in the storage area until they can be transferred to another storage, treatment or disposal facility.

Unit 3 - Roll-off Bin Storage Area

The Roll-off Bin Storage Area is 40 feet by 80 feet and will be used to store solid waste contaminated with oil. A maximum of twelve 20-yard roll-off bins may be stored in this area. Since only solid waste is stored in this area, secondary containment isn't required.

Unit 4 - Drum Loading/Unloading Area

The Drum Loading/Unloading Area measures 48 feet by 60 feet and is used primarily for unloading and loading solid waste. Liquid waste that comes in drums may also be unloaded here before being pumped into tanks. A maximum of 300-55 gallon drums and four 20-yard roll-off bins may be unloaded into this area.

Unit 5 - Tanker Loading/Unloading Area

Liquid hazardous waste will primarily be loaded and unloaded in this area to and from the tank farm and tanker truck. A maximum of 14,000 gallons or two 7,000 gallon tanker trucks may be unloaded here.

California Environmental Quality Act - Negative Declaration

DTSC evaluated any possible environmental impacts associated with the proposed construction and operation of this facility, as required by the California Environmental Quality Act. DTSC has prepared a draft Negative Declaration which states that the hazardous waste facility would not have significant impacts to human health and the environment. The findings are documented in the Initial Study and are available for public review and comment, along with other supporting documents in the information repositories located on page 3.

Information Repository

To review the draft Permit, draft Negative Declaration and other related documents, please visit one of the locations listed below:

Kern County Library

Holloway/Gonzales Branch
506 East Brundage Lane
Bakersfield, CA 93307
(661) 861-2083

Hours:

Tuesday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Thursday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday: Closed

DTSC Regional Records Room

700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200
Berkeley, California 94710
Phone: (510) 540-2122 (Please call for an appointment)

DTSC Contacts

Please contact any of the following individuals with any questions or concerns you may have regarding draft Permit or draft Negative Declaration:

For questions regarding the draft Permit or draft Negative Declaration, please contact Ms. Joanna Louie, DTSC Project Manager, at (510) 540-3957 or by e-mail to Jlouie@dtsc.ca.gov.

For questions regarding Public Participation, please contact Ms. Kim Rhodes, Public Participation Specialist, toll-free at (866) 495-5651 or (916) 255-3651 or by e-mail to Krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov.

For questions from the media, please contact Ms. Jeanne Garcia, DTSC Public Information Officer, at (818) 551-2176 or by e-mail to Jgarcial@dtsc.ca.gov.

Notice to Hearing Impaired Individuals

You can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at:

1-888- 877-5378 (TDD). Ask them to contact Kim Rhodes at (916) 255-3651 regarding the Bakersfield Transfer, Inc.



Aerial View of Facility

To view the draft Permit, draft Negative Declaration and other related documents, please visit our website: www.dtsc.ca.gov

Glossary

Berm: a ledge, wall or mound of soil used to prevent the migration of contaminants.

Standardized Permit: is a special kind of permit that is available for certain facilities that manage hazardous waste in tanks, containers, and containment buildings.

Hazardous Waste: toxic, corrosive, reactive, or ignitable materials that can negatively affect human health or damage the environment. They can be liquid, solid, or sludge, and include heavy metals, organic solvents, reactive compounds and corrosive materials. They are defined and regulated by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

Solid Waste: any garbage, refuse, sludge from a waste treatment plant, water supply treatment plant, or air pollution control facility and other discarded material, including solid, liquid, semisolid, or contained gaseous material resulting from industrial, commercial, mining, and agricultural operations, and from community activities,

Liquid Waste: removal of hazardous solids from liquid waste to permit safe disposal.

Filtrate: is the solid substance remaining after you remove the liquid of a solution. If you mix water and chalk, you can remove the chalk by filtering it out. The chalk left in the filter paper is called the filtrate.

Roll-off Bins: bins which are emptied by placing the entire container onto the back of a collection vehicle for hauling and disposal. The emptied bin is then returned.

Would you like to be added or removed from the Bakersfield Transfer, Inc. Mailing list?

If you would like to be added or removed from the mailing list for the Bakersfield Transfer, Inc. site, please complete the information below and return to Ms. Kim Rhodes, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826. You can also e-mail your request to be added or removed from the mailing list by sending a message to Krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov.

- Please remove my name from the mailing list
- Please add my name to the mailing list

Name: _____

Address: City/State/Zip: _____

Note: While the mailing list is solely for DTSC use, the list is considered a public record.