

Fact Sheet, December 2006



Department of
Toxic Substances
Control

*Preventing
environmental
damage from
hazardous waste,
and restoring
contaminated
sites for all
Californians.*

**LIGHTING RESOURCES, LLC
805 EAST FRANCIS STREET
ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA**

**DRAFT PERMIT AND
DRAFT NEGATIVE DECLARATION
AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW**

Lighting Resources, LLC (Lighting Resources) has applied for a renewal of its permit to store and treat hazardous waste at its facility located at 805 East Francis Street in Ontario, California (see map on page 3). Lighting Resources has been operating under a Standardized Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Standardized Permit) at this location since 1996.

Lighting Resources receives spent fluorescent lamps, high intensity discharge (HID) lamps, compact fluorescent lamps, mercury-containing devices and intact PCB-containing light ballasts for storage and recycling. Lamps are crushed and separated into components (glass, end caps, mercury-containing powder, etc.), which are shipped offsite for further processing.

Public Comment Period

We encourage you to review and comment on the *Draft Permit* and *Draft Negative Declaration* for Lighting Resources. DTSC will hold a 60-day public comment period beginning December 8, 2006 and ending February 6, 2007. All written comments must be postmarked by or sent via e-mail no later than 5:00 pm on February 6, 2007 to the following address:

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Berkeley, California 94710-2721
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For questions please call Amber Harmon at (510) 540-3779

**Public Hearing
Monday, January 8, 2007**

DTSC will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, January 8, 2007 at 6:00 pm at the Ontario Public Library, 215 East C. Street, Ontario, California. DTSC will respond to written and oral comments submitted at the public hearing as well as written comments received by mail or e-mail by the deadline discussed above.



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Background

Lighting Resources has been operating under a Standardized Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Standardized Permit) at this location since 1996. Standardized permits are for hazardous waste facilities that require a permit under California law but not under federal law. The Lighting Resources facility only handles lighting waste, mercury-containing devices and intact PCB-containing lighting ballasts. These wastes are commonly generated by office buildings, schools, retail stores and hospitals. These wastes are considered to be "low risk" universal waste, which are not fully regulated as hazardous waste when generated or handled by generators or handlers, but are managed as hazardous waste after arrival at a designation facility such as Lighting Resources.

Lighting Resources stores and crushes spent lamps, and stores intact PCB-containing light ballasts. Crushed glass and end caps are collected and sent out for further recycling as nonhazardous materials. Mercury-containing powder is collected as hazardous waste and sent out for further recycling.

Facility Description

Lighting Resources currently operates two treatment processes: (1) a lamp machine in which fluorescent lamps are crushed and (2) a glove box in which high intensity discharge (HID) lamps, compact fluorescent lamps and mercury-containing devices are manually disassembled. Currently Lighting Resources stores received wastes in the facility building (warehouse) and three trailers parked outside on the pavement.

Lighting Resources will be authorized to store a maximum of 100,000 fluorescent lamps, 15,000 HID lamps, four one-gallon flasks of liquid mercury generated during lamp disassembly, and 82 55-gallon drums of PCB ballasts, phosphor powder, leaded glass, neon glass, mercury-containing devices and other materials generated from the disassembly and crushing of lamps. An additional 4 drums may hold flasks. Storage will take place in the facility building and in six (6) stationary trailers parked outside on the pavement.

Compliance History

DTSC routinely inspects the Lighting Resources facility for compliance with State laws and regulations.

In April 2006 DTSC conducted the most recent inspection and found two violations (violated required sampling frequency and the mercury vapor log was not available at the time of inspection, as required). These violations have been corrected by Lighting Resources.

Changes in Permit Renewal Application

Lighting Resources' overall facility operations will not change as a result of the proposed permit renewal, except for the following:

1. Addition of three storage trailers, without increasing the existing storage capacity (the additional storage space is to allow aisle space in each trailer for better movement of lamps),
2. Paving of an area measuring approximately 30' by 140' to accommodate the three trailers,
3. Rearrangement of the warehouse layout, and
4. Imposition of a maximum storage capacity for fluorescent and HID lamps.

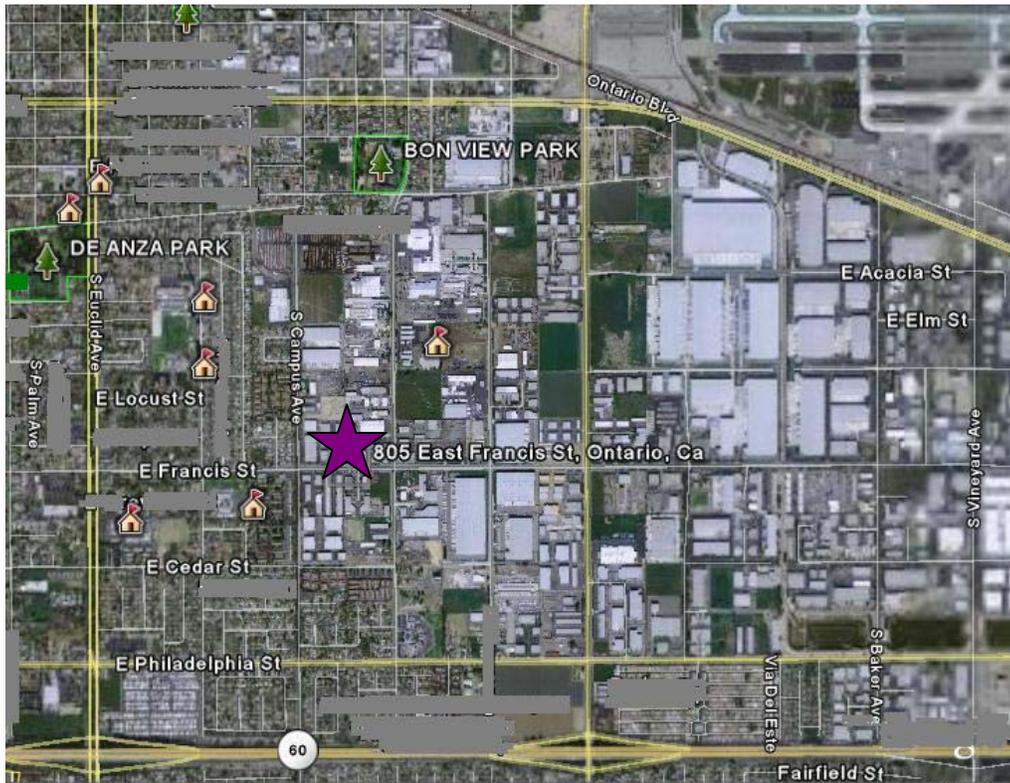
DTSC has prepared a Draft Permit that is available in the information repositories listed in this fact sheet.

California Environmental Quality Act

Under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC is responsible for reviewing the potential environmental impacts that may be associated with renewing the permit. DTSC has prepared an Initial Study to evaluate the environmental impacts posed by the project. DTSC has determined that there is no significant impact to the environment based on the Initial Study. DTSC has prepared a Draft Negative Declaration to document the results and fulfill the CEQA requirements. Copies of this document are available in the information repositories listed in this fact sheet.

Response to Comments

Before making a final determination on the Draft Permit and Draft Negative Declaration, DTSC will review and respond to all public comments received during the public comment period. The Response to Comments document will be sent to those who submit comments. A copy of the Response to Comments will also be placed in the information repositories listed in this fact sheet.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the Draft Permit and Lighting Resources, please contact Ms. Amber Harmon, DTSC Project Manager, at (510) 540-3779 or aharmon@dtsc.ca.gov

For questions regarding the public participation process, please contact Mr. Jesus Cruz at (866) 495-5651 or jcruz@dtsc.ca.gov

Media inquiries should be directed to Ms. Jeanne Garcia, DTSC Public Information Officer at (818) 551-2176 or jgarcia1@dtsc.ca.gov

Anuncio

Si prefiere hablar con alguien en español acerca de ésta información, favor de llamar a Jesus Cruz, Especialista en Participacion Publica. El número de teléfono es (866) 495-5651.

INFORMATION REPOSITORIES

Copies of the Draft Permit and Draft Negative Declaration are available for review and copying at the following information repository:

Ontario Public Library
215 East C. Street
Ontario, CA 91764
Phone: (909) 395-2004

The full administrative record is available for review at:

Department of Toxic Substances Control

700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200
Berkeley, CA
(510) 540-3800
Please call for an appointment

NOTICE TO HEARING IMPAIRED INDIVIDUALS

TDD users can use the California State Relay Service at (888) 877-5378 and ask to speak to Jesus Cruz at (866) 495-5651