

Public Notice

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances by restoring contaminated resources, enforcing hazardous waste laws, reducing hazardous waste generation, and encouraging the manufacture of chemically safer products.

EMERGENCY PERMIT
Vertex Pharmaceuticals
11010 Torreyanna Road
San Diego, CA 92121

Effective: August 22, 2018 through October 22, 2018

On August 8, 2018, Vertex Pharmaceuticals, a biotechnology facility, requested an Emergency Permit from the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) for on-site treatment of expired chemicals at 11010 Torreyanna Road, San Diego, CA 92121. The items to be treated are: 2,2 azobisisobutyronitrile (100 grams), 1- hydroxybenzotriazole (25 grams), methyl acrylate (500 milliliters), acryloyl chloride (5 grams), and borane-THF complex (200 milliliters). Clean Harbors Environmental Services has been contracted to conduct this treatment.

The chemicals are potentially reactive and unsafe for transport in their present state. The treatment involves the addition of liquid solution to the containers to stabilize the chemicals. Once the chemicals are treated, they will be transported off-site for proper management. DTSC has determined that the chemicals pose an imminent and substantial endangerment to human health and the environment, if not properly managed. Therefore, an emergency permit should be issued. This Emergency Permit is effective from **August 22, 2018 to October 22, 2018**. The Emergency Permit includes measures to minimize any adverse impact to the community and the environment.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA): DTSC has determined that the project is exempt from the requirements of CEQA and will file a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the State Clearinghouse. The Emergency Permit, NOE, Vertex Pharmaceutical's request for this project are available for review at the file room located at:

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