

DTSC PUBLIC NOTICE

Department of Toxic Substances Control – Our mission is to protect the people, communities, and environment of California from harmful chemicals by cleaning up contaminated sites, enforcing hazardous waste laws, and compelling the development of safer products.

EMERGENCY PERMIT TO TREAT HAZARDOUS WASTE CHEMICALS AT MERCK RESEARCH LABS

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has issued an Emergency Permit to Merck Research Labs for onsite treatment of expired chemicals at 213 East Grand Avenue, South San Francisco, California 94080. The items to be treated include one (1) container of 1,4 Dioxane (1 x 100 milliliter), one (1) container of Acrylic Acid (1 x 10 milliliter) and one (1) container of Borane THF Complex (1 x 800 milliliter).

Clean Harbors Environmental Services (Clean Harbors) 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 offsite 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 2, 2022, through September 30, 2022. 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 issuance of this permit is exempt from the requirements of CEQA and has filed a Notice of Exemption (NOE) with the State Clearinghouse. The Emergency Permit, NOE, Merck Research Labs' request for this project are available for review at the file room located at:

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