

Emergency permit to manage hazardous waste

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has issued an Emergency Permit to Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL) for onsite treatment of expired chemicals at the following locations:

- LBNL Building 1 Donner Lab, 116 Donner Drive UC Berkeley Campus, Berkeley, California 94720
- Building 55 on Main Hill Site, 1 Cyclotron Road, Berkeley, California 94720

The hazardous waste to be treated consists of the following items: two (2) 1-gram containers of 1H-tetrazole, one (1) 25-gram container of N-nitroso-N-methylurea, one (1) 500-milliliter container of 1,6-Bis(acryloyloxy)hexane (stabilized with MEHQ), one (1) 1-liter container of 2-butanol, one (1) 500-milliliter container of 2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate, one (1) 250-gram container of 4-methylstyrene [also known as 4-Vinyltoluene], one (1) 50-gram container of Benzol Peroxide (98%), four (4) 40-milliliter containers of Methyl Methacrylate, and one (1) 1-liter container of Styrene.

Clean Harbors Environmental Services (Clean Harbors) has been contracted to conduct the treatment. The chemicals are potentially reactive and unsafe for transport in their present state. The treatment involves the addition of solutions to the containers to stabilize the chemicals. Once the chemicals are treated, they will be transported offsite for proper management. DTSC has determined that these 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 October 11, 2024 through January 8, 2025.** 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, and LBNL's request for this project are available upon request from the Project Manager or for review at the file room located at:

- **DTSC Sacramento Regional Office-** 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826
 - 916-255-3758 (appointment required: Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

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