

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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From: Department of Toxic Substances Control

Permitting Division

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Project Title: Emergency Permit for Treatment of Hazardous Waste, Genentech SSF, South San Francisco, California

Project Location: 700 Forbes Boulevard, Building 7, South San Francisco, California 94080

County: San Mateo

Project Applicant: Alan Leung, Senior Environmental Health & Safety Program Manager

Approval Action Under Consideration by DTSC: Emergency Permit

Statutory Authority: California Health and Safety Code, Chapter 6.5

Project Description: The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), pursuant to authority granted under California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 4.5, Chapter 20, Section 66270.61, has issued an Emergency Permit to the Genentech, South San Francisco (SSF), (EPA ID# CAD080129000) to treat hazardous waste through a controlled reaction with chemical solutions. Specifically, one 100-milliliter container of Tetrahydrofuran, must be stabilized prior to transport to an authorized hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility.

This chemical is currently being stored at Genentech SSF located at 700 Forbes Boulevard, Building 7, in South San Francisco, CA. DTSC has determined as a safety precaution to prevent an accident or severe injury, an Emergency Permit should be issued to chemically stabilize the hazardous waste prior to storage and eventual transportation off-site by Clean Harbors Environmental Services (CHES).

Background: The container has peroxide formation present on either the inside, outside, or the bottom of the chemical container, as well as the thread container cap. The presence of peroxide formation may become explosive, and reactions are easily triggered if shipped untreated prior to disposal. Due to the presence of peroxide formation, DTSC considers this chemical to be an imminent and substantial endangerment to human health and the environment. Chemical stabilization is recommended prior to transport to a permitted treatment, storage, and disposal facility.

Project Activities: The treatment of the hazardous waste involves the addition of solutions to the container in a controlled manner to reduce the reactive or ignitable characteristics of the chemical. Treatment will take place within a designated exclusion zone. Only technicians from CHES will be allowed in the exclusion zone. Movement, preparation, and treatment of the container will be in accordance with established standards.

Within 10 business days of the expiration of this permit, Genentech SSF will submit a final report, signed in accordance with Title 22, California Code of Regulations section 66270.11(d). The report shall include certification that the treatment area has been cleared of all residual hazardous waste generated from this emergency treatment and all generated waste has been properly managed.

The Emergency Permit is effective beginning June 19, 2023, and shall expire on September 18 2023.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Toxic Substances Control

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Clean Harbors Environmental Services

Exempt Status: Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); 14 CCR, Sec.15269(b)(c)]

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: This action is necessary to prevent an emergency. Chemical stabilization of the chemicals is necessary prior to transportation to an authorized hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility to prevent accidental fire and/or explosion during transport.

The administrative record for this project is available to the public by appointment at the following location:

Department of Toxic Substances Control
File Room
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Additional project information is available on EnviroStor: www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/

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