

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Permitting Division
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Project Title: EMERGENCY PERMIT FOR TREATMENT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE, MATERIA INC., PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

Project Location: 60 North San Gabriel Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91107-3748

County: Los Angeles

Project Applicant: Mia Steenkamp, EHS Lead, Materia Inc.

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 Materia Inc. (Materia), (EPA ID# CAR000184796) to treat hazardous waste through a controlled reaction with a chemical solution. Specifically, one (1) container of Acetaldehyde, one (1) container of Methacrylic Acid, eleven (11) containers of 2-Hydroxyethyl Acrylate, one (1) container of Allyl Methacrylate, one (1) container of Styrene, two (2) containers of Ethyl Acrylate, four (4) containers of Methyl Methacrylate, one (1) container of Diethylene Glycol-2-Ethylhexyl Ether Acrylate, one (1) container of Methyl Acrylate, one (1) container of Propylene Glycol Acrylate, one (1) container of Divinylbenzene, two (2) containers of Acrylic Acid, one (1) container of Acrolein, three (3) containers of Acrylonitrile, one (1) container of Isoamyl Acrylate, one (1) container of Butyl Acrylate, one (1) container of 2,4 Dinitrophenol, two (2) containers of 3-Chloroperoxybenzoic Acid, one (1) container of 2,5 Bis (tert-butyl peroxy) – 2,5 Dimethyl hexane, one (1) container of Benzoyl Peroxide, one (1) container of Sodium Azide, must be stabilized prior to transport to an authorized hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility.

These chemicals are currently being stored at Materia located at 60 North San Gabriel Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91107-3748. 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 chemicals noted above are peroxide forming and temperature sensitive material. The chemical produces peroxide compounds as it degrades (i.e., after the product's expiration date). The peroxide produced may be unstable at relatively low concentrations, resulting in fire and/or explosion if improperly managed. Static electricity or heating from sunlight may be enough to trigger a reaction, making transport of non-stabilized chemicals hazardous. 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 solution to the containers 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 Clean Harbors Environmental Services will be allowed in the exclusion zone. Movement, preparation, and treatment of the containers will be in accordance with established standards.

Within 10 business days of the expiration of this permit, Materia 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 responsibly managed.

The Emergency Permit is effective beginning September 8, 2023 and shall expire on November 8, 2023.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Clean Harbor 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:

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