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## Department of Toxic Substances Control

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Governor

September 19, 2017

Via USPS Mail

Owner Name  
Owner Address  
City, State, Zip

RE: NOTICE – PROPERTY LOCATED AT \_\_\_\_\_ IDENTIFIED AS ELIGIBLE FOR CLEANUP

Dear Day care center or Child Care Facility Owner,

In July 2017, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) released the Final Removal Action Plan (Cleanup Plan), and a Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) related to the cleanup of properties in an area of approximately a 1.7-mile radius surrounding the now-closed Exide Technologies, Inc. facility in Vernon, California, also known as the Preliminary Investigation Area (PIA). **This letter is to inform you that based on the sampling results of your property, DTSC has identified your property as eligible for cleanup.**

Our records show that your property serves as a day care center or child care facility and is eligible for cleanup based on the levels of lead detected in the soil samples taken from your property. The sampled lead levels meet the following criterion:

- Day care centers and child care facilities with a representative soil lead concentration of 80 parts per million (ppm) or higher that has not yet been cleaned up.

DTSC is working to clean up properties as quickly as possible. DTSC will begin contacting owners and residents of properties with the highest levels of lead in October to schedule the cleanup work at your property. For the rest of the properties, owners and residents will be contacted on an ongoing basis throughout the two-year period. A DTSC representative will be reaching out to you directly by phone, mail, or a home visit to coordinate with you as we get close to scheduling your property for cleanup.

DTSC is committed to cleaning up about 2,500 properties over a two-year period. DTSC will begin the cleanup by first scheduling properties that have the highest levels of lead and the greatest risk of exposure. To promote efficient cleanup, when feasible, properties identified for cleanup within the same block or that are adjacent to the properties with the highest representative soil lead concentrations will be scheduled for cleanup together.

DTSC is working to cleanup day care centers and child care facilities as soon as possible. DTSC will begin contacting owners of day care centers and child care facilities in October to schedule the cleanup work at your property. A DTSC representative will be reaching out to you directly by phone, mail, or an in-person visit to coordinate with you as we get close to scheduling your property for cleanup.

**What Can You Do Now?**

1. Please pay close attention to future communications from DTSC as they may contain important information about this cleanup. All written communications from DTSC will have official State of California seals or logos like the ones that you see at the top of page 1 of this letter.
2. **Notify the Department of Social Services Community Care Licensing Division (CCLD)**—DTSC has completed the cleanup of several licensed day care centers and child care facilities as part of the cleanup project. CCLD has provided directions for reporting by licensees through a letter dated June 2, 2017. In the June 2, 2017 letter, CCLD asks licensed day care center and child care facility operators to “report to CCLD that [the] child care facility is being cleaned up” using the “Unusual Incident” Form 624 for Child Care Centers, and Form 624B for Family Child Care Homes. Please refer to the June 2, 2017 letter for further information regarding CCLD’s reporting requirements.
3. **Review Information on Preventing Lead Exposure**—When you received your sampling results package, you also received the enclosed (“Lead and Your Health” quick-reference guide) information about measures that you can take to prevent exposure to lead. DTSC encourages you to review that information and contact us if you have further questions about preventing exposure. You can also find copies of this information on DTSC’s website at [www.dtsc.ca.gov/exide](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/exide) or request a copy by calling 1-844-225-3887.
4. **Get a Free Blood Test**—You or any member of your family and/or day care center or child care facility can get a free blood screening for lead by calling 1-844-888-2290. This service is administered by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. For more information regarding this program, visit [www.bloodleadtesting.com/](http://www.bloodleadtesting.com/)

DTSC is committed to protecting your health and the health of others in your community. We look forward to speaking with you and working with you to clean up your property. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call DTSC’s Exide Cleanup Project Information Hotline at 1-844-225-3887 or visit our Commerce Regional Office located at 6119 E. Washington Blvd., #120 Commerce, California between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. DTSC staff are also available to answer your questions at Reading Your Results Workshops where DTSC staff are available to help you understand your sampling results and provide more in-depth information about cleanup prioritization and cleanup activities specific to your property. For information regarding upcoming public meetings or the Exide Advisory Group, please visit <http://dtsc.ca.gov/exide> or call DTSC’s Exide Cleanup Project Information Hotline.

Sincerely,



Mohsen Nazemi, P.E.  
Deputy Director, Brownfields and Environmental Restoration Program  
California Department of Toxic Substances Control

Enclosures:     Form 624 for Child Care Centers  
                      Form 624B for Family Child Care Homes  
                      Lead and Your Health (English and Spanish)



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19 de Septiembre, 2017

Enviado por Correo

Nombre del dueño/a  
Dirección del dueño/a  
Ciudad, Estado, Código postal

AVISO: LA PROPIEDAD UBICADA EN \_\_\_\_\_ HA SIDO IDENTIFICADA COMO ELEGIBLE PARA LA LIMPIEZA DE PLOMO

Al Propietario u Operador de un Centro de Cuidado Infantil,

En Julio del 2017, el Departamento de Control de Sustancias Tóxicas (DTSC) publicó el Plan de Acción de Remoción Final (Plan de Limpieza) y un Reporte de Impacto Ambiental Final (EIR) relacionados con la limpieza de propiedades en un área de aproximadamente 1.7 millas alrededor de la antigua instalación de Exide Technologies, Inc. en Vernon, California—esta área también es conocida como el Área de Investigación Preliminar (PIA). **Esta carta le informa que basado en los resultados de las muestras obtenidas en esta propiedad, DTSC la ha identificado como elegible para la limpieza de plomo en el suelo.** Nuestros archivos indican que su propiedad sirve como un centro de cuidado de niños y califica para esta limpieza porque esta abarcada bajo el siguiente criterio:

- Centros de cuidado de niños o guarderías con una concentración representativa de plomo de 80 partes por millón (ppm) o más alta, que aún no se haya limpiado.

DTSC está trabajando para limpiar propiedades lo más rápido posible. DTSC comenzara a comunicarse con los residentes y propietarios de las propiedades con las concentraciones representativas más altas para programar el trabajo de limpieza en su propiedad. Para el resto de las propiedades, los propietarios y residentes serán contactados poco a poco durante el periodo de dos años. Un representante del DTSC se comunicará con usted directamente por teléfono, correo postal, o una visita a domicilio para empezar la coordinación con usted a medida que podamos agendar su propiedad para la limpieza.

DTSC está comprometido a limpiar alrededor de 2,500 propiedades en un periodo de dos años. DTSC comenzara la limpieza con aquellas propiedades con los niveles más altos de plomo o con el mayor riesgo de exponer a los residentes. Para promover una limpieza eficiente, cuando sea posible, las propiedades identificadas para la limpieza que residan en la misma cuadra o estén próximas a las propiedades con concentraciones mayores serán agendadas para la limpieza al mismo tiempo.

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**Que es lo que Usted debe hacer ahora?**

