Department Issues $23,100 Enforcement Order to Jim Arnold dba Purgreen Environmental and Terry Bissman

Los Angeles – The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) today announced issuance of an Enforcement Order (Order) penalty of $23,100 to Jim Arnold (JA), an individual doing business as Purgreen Environmental (PE), and Terry Bissman (TB), an individual formerly doing business as PE, for hazardous waste violations at PE located at 2776 South Lilac Avenue, Bloomington, California in San Bernardino County. PE was a registered transporter of hazardous waste between July 24, 2002 and August 31, 2003. The registration has expired and PE did not renew the registration. It expired on August 31, 2003, but PE continued to transport hazardous waste until January 12, 2004.

Under terms of the Order, issued on January 25, 2006, JA and TB have been ordered to pay a $23,100 administrative penalty to DTSC. JA and TB were also ordered to cease all transportation of hazardous waste unless and until they obtain a hazardous waste hauler registration or other authorization from DTSC. Jim Arnold (JA) is the new owner and Terry Bissman (TB) is the former owner of PE. The enforcement order was issued to the two owners as individuals. Both individuals were ordered not to engage in any transportation of hazardous waste not unless they obtain a registration from DTSC. They would be required to re-register if they will own a business involving transportation of hazardous waste.

During a DTSC inspection of PE operations on July 26, 2004, the following violation was noted:
- Transportation of hazardous waste without a hauler registration or other authorization from DTSC.

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The Department of Toxic Substances Control’s mission is to restore, protect, and enhance the environment and ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.