



California Environmental Protection Agency  
Department of Toxic Substances Control

Harbor Oil, Incorporated  
5300 Claus Road  
Riverbank, California

## DTSC REQUESTS COMMENTS ON DRAFT PERMIT

FACT SHEET

JULY 1999

### INTRODUCTION

Harbor Oil, Incorporated (Harbor Oil), has applied to the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) for a Standardized Permit for the storage and transfer of hazardous waste. If approved, the Standardized Permit would allow Harbor Oil to store and transfer waste oil, oily wastewater, and waste antifreeze from trucks to railroad cars. Harbor Oil is proposing to locate in an existing building at the Riverbank Industrial Complex which is located on Riverbank Army Ammunition Plant property at 5300 Claus Road in Riverbank (Stanislaus County). The facility will occupy a building previously used to load and unload a variety of materials from railroad cars. The property is zoned industrial.

### FACILITY DESCRIPTION AND OPERATIONS

The types of hazardous wastes stored and transferred at the facility would be only the following:

1. Used Oil
2. Oily Wastewater
3. Waste Antifreeze

The San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District does not require air pollution control devices for the facility because the hazardous wastes being stored and transferred at the facility have low vapor pressures. Because of the low vapor pressures, air emissions and releases from these wastes are almost non-existent.

### PUBLIC HEARING AND A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

DTSC will hold a public hearing on:  
August 24, 1999  
7:00 pm  
Scout Hall  
3017 High Street  
Riverbank, CA 95367

The public comment period for the Draft Standardized Permit, and proposed Negative Declaration for Harbor Oil will begin July 21, 1999, and remain open until September 4, 1999.

Please send comments to:

Donald Shaulis  
Project Manager  
DTSC Sacramento Office  
10151 Croydon Way, Suite 3  
Sacramento, California 95827

### PERMIT PROCESS

California state laws and regulations include a five-tiered program for authorizing the treatment and/or storage of hazardous waste. The five tiers, in descending order of regulatory complexity, are listed on the next page:

- the federally equivalent "Full Permit" tier for facilities that handle the treatment, storage and disposal of hazardous wastes as defined under federal law;
- the "Standardized Permit" tier for treatment and/or storage of waste not regulated under federal law but regulated as hazardous waste by the State of California;
- the "Permit by Rule" tier for onsite treatment of hazardous waste;
- the "Conditional Authorization" tier for onsite treatment of hazardous waste;
- the "Conditional Exemption" tier for onsite treatment of hazardous waste.

Harbor Oil qualifies for and has submitted an application for the Standardized Permit Tier Series C (stores less than 50,000 gallons). The application contains a detailed description of the facility identification, location, waste analysis plan, design of the storage units, operations, closure plan, financial responsibility documents, environmental information, and a Phase I Environmental Assessment Checklist. Harbor Oil also submitted certifications of compliance for the security plan, inspection plan, reporting plan, manifesting requirements, facility siting information, contingency plan, and employee training plan.

As a result of the technical review of Harbor Oil's application and DTSC site inspections, DTSC has prepared a Draft Standardized Permit, based upon California laws and regulations, for public review and comment. This Draft Standardized Permit details the regulations and conditions with which the facility must comply in order to operate. If granted, this Permit will allow Harbor Oil to operate for 10 years, after which it will have to submit a Standardized Permit renewal application.

## **STANDARDIZED PERMIT CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS**

All conditions and terms of the Harbor Oil Draft Standardized Permit are required under Division 20, Chapters 6.5 and 6.7 of the California Health and Safety Code, and under Division 4.5, Title 22 California Code of Regulations.

Standardized conditions applicable to all facilities include permit expiration, inspection and entry, reporting of releases, and waste minimization.

General operating requirements for the facility include personnel training, emergency response, record keeping, reporting, and closure.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

Under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC must evaluate all proposed projects to determine potential environmental impacts. DTSC has completed an Initial Study that indicates that the proposed Permit activities will not have a significant effect on the environment. Based on this analysis, DTSC proposes a Negative Declaration for this project.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

DTSC plans a public hearing on August 24, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. at Scout Hall, 3017 High Street in Riverbank. All members of the public are welcome to come and hear a presentation about the Draft Standardized Permit. Also, DTSC invites any interested persons to offer public comment either in writing or orally at the public hearing. Written comments may also be submitted to DTSC at the address shown in the box on the first page. Written comments must be postmarked no later than September 4, 1999.

## INFORMATION REPOSITORIES

Documents pertaining to Harbor Oil's Standardized Permit Application are available for public review at the following locations:

Stanislaus County Library  
Riverbank Branch  
3442 Santa Fe Street  
Riverbank, California 95367  
(209) 869-7008

DTSC  
10151 Croydon Way, Suite 3  
Sacramento, California 95827  
Contact: Donald Shaulis  
(916) 255-3592

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you would like additional information about Harbor Oil's Standardized Permit process, please visit the established information repositories or contact one of the DTSC staff members listed below:

Donald Shaulis  
Project Manager  
Permitting Branch  
(916) 255-3592

Nathan Schumacher  
Public Participation Specialist  
(916) 255-3650

### MAILING COUPON

If you did not receive this fact sheet in the mail and would like to receive future mailings regarding Harbor Oil, please complete and return this coupon to Nathan Schumacher, Public Participation Specialist, Department of Toxic Substances Control, 10151 Croydon Way, Suite 3, Sacramento, CA 95827.

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