

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

### DRAFT HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT, PART B AND DRAFT PARTIAL CLOSURE PLAN APPROVAL

for

BECKMAN COULTER, INC  
4300 NORTH HARBOR BOULEVARD  
FULLERTON, CA 92834

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April 21, 2006 – June 6, 2006

#### WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED?

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites the public to comment on the draft Hazardous Waste Facility Permit, Part B (Permit) for Beckman Coulter, Inc. (Beckman) and the partial closure of two inactive hazardous waste management units (HWMU). The Permit, if approved, will authorize Beckman to conduct on-site treatment and storage of hazardous wastes generated from their manufacturing and routine maintenance operations. The partial closure of the two inactive HWMUs would allow Beckman to close these units and begin investigation of the areas for contamination.

Beckman's Analytical Business Unit (ABU) manufactures and assembles scientific instruments. During the manufacturing and assembly of these instruments various chemicals are used. Typical types of wastes generated by the ABU operations include miscellaneous laboratory wastes, manufacturing solvents and low level radioactive mixed waste (mixed waste).

Additionally, the Permit will allow Beckman's Central Fabricating Facilities (CFF) to store organic solvent and machine coolant pending off-site recycling, treatment or disposal. The Permit will also allow mildly acidic plating rinse water to be neutralized for discharge to the local sanitation facilities in accordance with the Class I wastewater discharge permit granted by the Orange County Sanitation District.

#### WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

DTSC wants to hear from you regarding any comments you have regarding the issuance of this Permit and draft ND. We have scheduled a Public Hearing on May 23, 2006 to listen to your comments. At this time we will listen to your comments and address them at that time if possible. We will formally respond in

writing to all comments received. The Public Hearing will be held in the Little Theater at Sonora High School, 401 S. Palm Street, La Habra at 7:00pm. At that time we will give a presentation on the draft permit and the facility. At that time, you will have the opportunity to give us your comments in an open forum through a court reporter who will be present to record them or you may choose to give them to the DTSC in writing.

### WHY THIS NOTICE?

The public will have 45 days from April 21, 2006 to provide comments to DTSC concerning the draft Permit, the partial closure of two inactive hazardous waste management units and associated proposed Negative Declaration.

### WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

The draft Permit and proposed Negative Declaration are available for review and comment at the following locations:

La Habra Public Library  
221 East La Habra Blvd.  
La Habra, CA 90631  
562-694-0078  
Mon-Thur. 10:00am-8:00pm  
Fri – Closed  
Sat 10:00am-5:00pm  
Sun 12:00pm-5:00pm

Department of Toxic Substances  
Control  
1011 North Grandview Avenue  
Glendale, CA 91201  
818-551-2800  
Ms. Jone Barrio  
Mon-Fri 8:00am-4:30pm

### CONTACT

Please send comments to Mr. William Jeffers, DTSC Project Manager, 1011 Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201 or [wjeffers@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:wjeffers@dtsc.ca.gov). All comments must be submitted in writing or via electronic mail. Comments must be postmarked or received via e-mail no later than June 6, 2006. Should you need additional information, please contact Mr. William Jeffers via e-mail or at 818-551-2185.

### INFORMATION FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED

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