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To Whom It May Concern:

### NOTICE OF FINAL HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY PERMIT DECISION AND APPROVAL (NOTICE)

In accordance with the requirements of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 22, section 66271.14, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is issuing this Notice for the following facility:

KW Plastics of California  
1861 Sunnyside Court  
Bakersfield, CA 93308  
EPA ID CAD 982435026

KW Plastics of California (KW) operates a plastic recycling facility, which receives lead-impacted polypropylene chips (remnants of lead-acid battery casings) from an off-site lead-acid battery recycling facility. The as-received polypropylene chips are classified as a hazardous waste, because lead released during the lead-acid battery recycling process adheres to the chip's surface. The storage, handling, and treatment of these chips require a Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Permit) from DTSC. KW treats the lead-impacted polypropylene chips through a series of water-washings and manufactures the reclaimed polypropylene into paint buckets. The facility does not handle any containers or drums, and treats hazardous waste polypropylene to render it non-hazardous.

With DTSC's Final Permit approval of a Class 1\* Permit Modification and a Class 3 Permit Modification, KW Plastics will replace its existing 4-tank wastewater treatment system with a new, upgraded tank system and washing process (10-tank treatment system). The new system will update and improve the efficiency of KW's lead-impacted polypropylene chip treatment process, but will not increase their waste volume capacity. In addition to the replacement of the tanks, the secondary containment for the existing treatment room will be increased, to ensure adequate containment volume for the wastewater stored within these new tanks and ancillary piping.

On August 10, 2007, DTSC launched the Public Comment Period with a public notice published in the Bakersfield Californian, which solicited public comments on the Draft

Permit and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Draft Notice of Exemption (NOE). The 45-day Public Comment Period ran from August 10, 2007 through September 25, 2007. DTSC also mailed fact sheets that included a facility history, project summary, and the Public Comment Period, to both the DTSC Mandatory Mailing list and the nearby Resident Mailing list. In addition, three, 30-second public notice advertisements were aired on KERN Radio on September 18, 2007. Due to the initial low level of public interest in this project, DTSC did not hold a public hearing and received no comments on the above mentioned public notice documents during the 45-day Public Comment Period. In accordance with the CCR, title 22, section 66271.14 (b)(3), the 30-day public appeal period for this Permit decision has been waived. Therefore, the Final Hazardous Waste Facility Permit became effective at the time of DTSC's sign-off, on October 1, 2007.

A copy of the complete administrative record for this Permit decision is available for review at:

Department of Toxic Substances Control  
Sacramento Office File Room  
8800 Cal Center Drive  
Sacramento, California 95826  
(916) 255-3758, Call to schedule an appointment.

The public notice documents and the Final Permit and Final CEQA NOE are also available at DTSC's website:

[http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Hazardous\\_Waste\\_Facilities\\_Index.cfm](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/Hazardous_Waste_Facilities_Index.cfm)

DTSC would like to thank everyone who participated in this permitting process. Please bring this notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Sherry Blunk of my staff at (916) 255-3579 or [sblunk@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:sblunk@dtsc.ca.gov).

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