

**RESPONSE TO COMMENTS  
FOR  
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY  
OLYMPIC BASE  
2424 OLYMPIC BLVD.  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
EPA I.D. No. CAD 981422017**

**INTRODUCTION:**

On December 4, 2006, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) issued a public notice for the proposed Hazardous Waste Permit Renewal for Southern California Gas Company, Olympic Base, located in the City of Los Angeles. The public comment period ended on February 1, 2007.

DTSC received a total of seven comments from the facility regarding the draft permit and the draft negative declaration, and one from a member of the general public, all of which have been included in their entirety.

**SECTION I. RESPONSE TO COMMENTS RECEIVED BY MAIL TO THE  
DRAFT PERMIT**

***Comments 1 through 6 are from Mr. Pat Canney, Sr. Environmental Specialist, Southern California Gas Co. / San Diego Gas & Electric. Comment 7 was received from a person who asked to remain anonymous. These were the only comments received by mail.***

***COMMENT 1 – Cover Page:*** The ZIP code listed for the Southern California Gas Co. under the owner and operator addresses should be 90013-1011 instead of 90051-1011. This change should also be made to the address listed in the second to last paragraph on the page.

***Response to Comment 1***

DTSC concurs. The cover page of the Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Permit) has been changed as requested.

***COMMENT 2 – Page 2 – PART II. DESCRIPTION OF THE FACILITY AND OWNERSHIP, Items 1 & 2.***

The ZIP code listed for the owner and operator addresses should be **90013**-1011 instead of 90051-1011

***Response to Comment 2***

DTSC concurs. The second page of the Permit has been changed as requested.

**COMMENT 3 – Page 2 – PART II. DESCRIPTION OF THE FACILITY AND OWNERSHIP, Item 4.**

There is only one lessee operation on the Base. The first sentence in the first paragraph of this section should read: “The Olympic Base facility is a fourteen acre parcel which contains several owner operations and **one** lessee operations.” The last sentence of this paragraph should read: “The lessee **is** involved in **recycle of demolition and construction debris.**”

**Response to Comment 3**

DTSC concurs. Page 2 of the Permit has been changed as requested.

**COMMENT 4 – PAGE 9 – WASTE TYPES**

In the second sentence of this paragraph, change the word “*gasoline*” to “**hydrocarbons**”. The pipeline condensate is gasoline-like, but is not actually gasoline.

**Response to Comment 4**

DTSC concurs. Page 9 of the Permit has been changed as requested.

**COMMENT 5 - Page 10 - Part IV, RCRA HAZARDOUS WASTE CODES:**

In place of the existing text, insert: “**Condensate-contaminated solids may carry RCRA code D018.**” Unless lab analyses indicate otherwise, solids which are contaminated with pipeline condensate are assumed to contain characteristic levels of benzene since the liquid condensate does.

**Response to Comment 5**

DTSC concurs. Page 10 of the Permit has been changed as requested.

**COMMENT 6 - PAGE 11 - PART IV, RCRA HAZARDOUS WASTE CODES:**

In place of the existing text, insert: “**Condensate-contaminated solids may carry RCRA code D018.**” Unless lab analyses indicate otherwise, solids which are contaminated with pipeline condensate are assumed to contain characteristic levels of benzene since the liquid condensate does.

***Response to Comment 6***

DTSC concurs. Page 11 of the Permit has been changed as requested.

***COMMENT 7 comes from a person who wishes to remain anonymous.***

I definitely agree (that) the Hazardous Waste Facility should be allowed to continue to operate.

***Response to Comment 7***

Comment noted.

***COMMENT 8 comes from Linda C. Barnes, Office Manager for Hint Mint, via email.***

As the neighborhood trend seems to be more and more commercial/residential, it seems that this sort of facility is increasingly out of place. How can we assess the health and safety risks to ourselves and employees? We are located at 2432 E. 8th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90021.

***Response to Comment 8***

DTSC appreciates the concern regarding any potential environmental and/or health risks associated with the proposed renewal of the Olympic Base facility hazardous waste permit. DTSC takes its responsibility to protect human health, safety, and the environment very seriously. DTSC uses statutory (Health & Safety Code provisions) and regulatory criteria (Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Division 4.5) to evaluate each permit renewal application. Among these criteria are: a description of the security procedures and equipment used to secure the facility; a copy of the inspection procedure and schedule of inspections of the facility and its contents; a description of procedures, structures or equipment used to prevent hazards, prevent run-off from the facility, protect releases to the atmosphere, mitigate the effects of equipment or power failure and prevent contamination of water supplies. Additionally, earthquake hazards are evaluated as part of the application review process. A health risk assessment, to which the comment seems to allude, is only undertaken when there is evidence of hazardous waste contamination of the soil or ground water or if there is evidence that the facility operations poses a risk to human health and the environment. To date, no such evidence is present.