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**\$5,000 Settlement Reached with C&L Richardson Transport**

Los Angeles --- The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) announced it has reached a settlement with C&L Richardson Transport (C&L) of 1521 Leanne Terrace in the city of Walnut (Los Angeles County) for hazardous waste violations.

Under terms of the Stipulation and Order (Order), signed on April 29, 2004, C&L and its owner Charles E. Richardson will pay \$5,000 as an administrative penalty to DTSC. This Order settles an Enforcement Order issued in May 2002 against C&L and Mr. Richardson. A copy of the Order finalizing this settlement will be available within 30 days on the DTSC website [www.dtsc.ca.gov](http://www.dtsc.ca.gov).

The settlement stems from violations involving hazardous waste from two authorized facilities, Denova Environmental and A-American Environmental, in addition to two transportation companies, BADJR Transportation and Sina Environmental as well as a truck yard, D&M Enterprises. Mr. Richardson and C&L were part of a larger case against these companies that DTSC's Task Force Support and Special Investigations Branch investigated in 2001.

Mr. Richardson falsified information on several manifests representing thousands of gallons of hazardous waste that was stored illegally at unauthorized locations.

As part of the settlement, Mr. Richardson has agreed to hold no positions in any business entity which manages hazardous waste or to make decisions about the management of any hazardous waste for the next five years. Also, for the next 10 years, C&L and Mr. Richardson shall not apply for registration to transport hazardous waste in California.

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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.**