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\$27,000 Settlement Reached with Black Gold Industries

Los Angeles --- The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) today announced it has reached a settlement with Black Gold Industries (BGI) for hazardous waste code violations at its facility located at 527 North Rice Avenue, Oxnard, Ventura County. BGI is a hazardous waste transporter.

Under terms of the Consent Order (Order), signed on March 30, 2005, BGI will pay a total of \$27,000 to DTSC in administrative penalties.

The settlement stems from violations observed by DTSC inspectors during inspections at the facility on June 28 and July 2 of 2004. BGI was cited for the following violations:

- Storing hazardous waste in excess of the time allowed under the transfer facility exemption
- Engaging in truck-to-truck/container transfer of hazardous waste without a permit or other grant of authorization from DTSC
- Failing to maintain and operate its facility in a manner to minimize the possibility of a fire or any unplanned, sudden or non-sudden release of hazardous waste to air or soil

BGI has corrected the violations found during the inspection.

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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.