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COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT FOR THE SUNFLOWER PROPERTY, INC. FACILITY

Dear Community Member:

We invite you to complete and return a community survey assessing public interest in a proposed cleanup for the Sunflower Properties, Inc. facility at 9755 Distribution Avenue in San Diego, California. Our agency, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is overseeing past and future activities at the site. This survey will inform us of your questions and concerns so we can take them into account throughout the preparation of a future cleanup document and will also be used to identify future community outreach activities. Please return the community survey by February 14, 2003.

The facility, developed in 1974, used the site as a distribution center for perchloroethylene (PCE), a solvent typically used in dry cleaning operations. Operations ceased about 1990. Based upon soil and groundwater samples from the site, elevated levels of PCE and other volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are present. To begin removing these chemicals from the soil, the site owners installed a pilot study involving a soil vapor extraction system to remove and treat VOCs (including PCE) from areas near the front and rear loading docks. The site owners want to continue operation of the soil vapor extraction system to complete the cleanup of VOCs in soil. The groundwater is still being investigated.

Our agency is preparing a draft Remedial Action Plan (RAP) for the site that presents proposed cleanup alternative(s) for the contaminated soil. Once the draft RAP is complete, it is sent to the public for review and comment. Thank you in advance for completing and returning the enclosed questionnaire. If you have any questions please contact either the Project Manager Al Shami at (714) 484-5472 (e-mail ashami@dtsc.ca.gov) or myself at (714) 484-5488 (e-mail lhernand@dtsc.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: [Community Survey Questionnaire](#)