

June 28, 2023

Dear Community Member:

This letter is to let you know that you live in an area that has potentially elevated health risks created by air toxic emissions from the following facility. The attached map shows the area of elevated health risks around this facility.

Facility Name: National Steel and Shipbuilding Company (NASSCO)

Facility Address: 28th and Harbor Drive, San Diego CA 92113

Type of Business: Ship Repair and Fabrication Facility

State law¹ protects your right to know about possible health risks from stationary sources² of air pollution in your neighborhood by requiring the facilities which create elevated health risks to notify you. The San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) is responsible for requiring annual public notifications and risk reduction from such facilities per District Rule 1210³.

The most recent health risk assessment conducted by NASSCO and approved by the District shows that NASSCO released air toxic emissions (primarily Diesel Particulate Matter from diesel engines and Hexavalent Chromium from welding operations) that could increase the chances of getting cancer for people who live in the area by 53 in one million. This represents the highest chance of getting cancer if a person is living at the same property and exposed to the highest concentrations of air toxic emissions for 30 years. The results of this health risk assessment are representative for emissions that occurred in 2017.

Per state law APCD quantifies air toxic emissions and determines if a subsequent health risk assessment is required once every four years. The District is requiring NASSCO to submit another health risk assessment based on their air toxic emissions that occurred in 2021 no later than October 23, 2023.

Please join us at a public meeting on Zoom scheduled for Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at 5:00 pm if you would like to know more about this notice or have any questions or concerns. To join the meeting please use the following meeting link: https://bit.ly/NASSCO-HRA. You can also reach out to the facility by contacting Ms. Sara Giobbi with NASSCO at EnvironmentalInfo@nassco.com or by phone at 619-544-8764. The attached fact sheet has additional information. If you have any questions, please send us the attached survey or contact us at APCDEngineering@sdapcd.org or at (858) 586-2600.

Sincerely,

Paula Forbis (Jun 28, 2023 12:28 PDT)

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Air Pollution Control Officer

¹ Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Information and Assessment Act of 1987, Health and Safety Code sections 44360, et seq.

² Stationary sources include factories or manufacturing plants, power plants, shipyards, landfills, rock or asphalt plants, and other industrial, commercial and governmental operations that can emit air pollution.

³https://bit.ly/Rule1210