February 11, 2021

Dear Community Member:

State law (Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Information and Assessment Act of 1987) ensures your right to know about possible health risks from toxic air contaminants emitted by sources of air pollution in your neighborhood. The San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (APCD) is the local government agency responsible for implementing this requirement in state law.

The following facility is required to notify all community members in the area where there is a potential health risk above thresholds established by APCD Rule 1210.

Facility Name: Escondido Materials  
Address: 500 North Tulip Street, Escondido, CA 92025  
Type of Business: Asphalt Manufacturing

Based on air emission data from 2014, the APCD requested a health risk assessment from Escondido Materials. The health risk assessment, approved by the APCD in December of 2020, shows that the level of exposure to nickel may result in greater potential for adverse health impacts.

Specifically, the Health Risk Assessment shows the Maximum Occupational Acute Non-Cancer Health Hazard Index is 1.45. The noncancer health hazard index is calculated by dividing the estimated level of exposure to chemicals emitted from a facility to the level of exposure that is not expected to cause any adverse health effects. If the hazard index is less than or equal to one, then the estimated level of exposure is not likely to result in adverse health effects for anyone, including sensitive individuals such as children and the elderly. A hazard index above one indicates that there may be greater potential for adverse health impacts from exposure to the toxic air contaminants of concern. A hazard index is calculated for acute short-term (one hour) exposure.

APCD Rule 1210 requires public notification when any of the non-cancer health hazard indexes or cancer burden is greater than 1.

The APCD has prepared the enclosed “Program Fact Sheet” regarding its Air Toxie Hot Spots Program and a survey card to obtain your questions and comments regarding the information provided in this notice. If you would like more information, please complete and return the enclosed survey card to the APCD via mail, 10124 Old Grove Road, San Diego, 92131, or e-mail at apcdengineering@sdcounty.ca.gov.
For more information regarding the APCD’s Air Toxics Hot Spots program, please contact the APCD at 858-586-2600 or via email at apcdengineering@sdcounty.ca.gov. For more information regarding the facility please contact Arnold Veldkamp at 760-745-0556 and aveldkamp@superiorrm.com.

Sincerely,

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