

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT  
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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From: Department of Toxic Substances Control  
Office of Permitting  
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Project Title: Southern California Gas Company, Pico Rivera Base Facility  
Hazardous Waste Management Facility, Permit Renewal

Project Applicant: Daniel Kissane, Southern California Gas Company

Project Location: 8101 South Rosemead Boulevard, Pico Rivera, CA, 90660

County: Los Angeles

Project Description:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) pursuant to authority granted under California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 4:5, Chapter 14 considered the renewal of the Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Permit) for Southern California Gas Company (SCGC), Pico Rivera Base Facility (Facility). The Facility consists of an approximately 5,000-square-foot area within the thirty-one-acre SCGC parcel at 8101 Rosemead Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California. The Facility is used to store containers of hazardous wastes generated both onsite and offsite by SCGC activities. The permit renewal (the project) does not include any changes to the existing use or physical constructive changes, only the extension of the permit period for an additional ten years and administrative updates.

Background:

The Facility is a base of operations for SCGC, a large natural gas utility company. SCGC's 31-acre parcel includes a central warehouse and outside storage, a gas meter repair operation, a machine shop, a tool and instrument repair shop, a craft shop, a training facility for field operations, a laboratory, and a field operation and maintenance operation for SCGC vehicles in addition to the 5,000-square-foot Facility.

The Facility was issued an Interim Status Document (ISD) on March 16, 1983 by the Department of Health Services (DHS), the predecessor of DTSC. DHS issued SCGC a Hazardous Waste Facility Permit in 1986. DTSC approved the renewal of the permit on September 16, 1996 and filed a Negative Declaration (SCH#1995111067) and Notice of Determination (SCH#1996104952) with the State Clearinghouse. DTSC renewed the permit on July 31, 2007 and issued a Notice of Exemption for the renewal (SCH#2007078234), which expired on July 31, 2017. SCGC submitted a permit renewal application to DTSC on October 31, 2016 and revised applications on February 22, 2019 and April 26, 2019.

Project Activities:

The Facility includes five hazardous waste management units (HWMU) used for storage, bulking, and transfer of containers of waste acids, waste caustics, waste paints, antifreeze, used oil and used oil contaminated solids, lead contaminated soils and solids, and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) containing hazardous waste from onsite and offsite SCGC activities. The entire Facility is covered by a rain awning. Each of the five HWMU's have curbing and floor coatings to provide secondary containment. The Facility has a total maximum permitted capacity of 61,710 gallons: 715 gallons for Area 1, 715 gallons for Area 2, 35,750 gallons for Area 3, 16,500 gallons for Area 4, and 8,030 gallons for Area 5.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Toxic Substances Control

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Southern California Gas Company

Exemption Status: (check one)


- Ministerial [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(1); CCR, Sec. 15268]  
 Declared Emergency [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(3); CCR, Sec. 15269(a)]  
 Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); CCR, Sec. 15269(b)(c)]  
 Categorical Exemption: [CCR, Sec. 15301]  
 Statutory Exemptions: [State code section number]  
 General Rule [CCR, Sec. 15061(b)(3)]

Exemption Title: Existing Facilities.

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The project is an existing facility and renewal of the Permit allows the continued operations for the next 10-year term of the Permit with no expansion of use or physical alteration nor would the Permit create any need for operational or physical changes outside the Facility boundaries. DTSC has evaluated whether any of the exceptions to the categorical exemptions apply to this project, as described in Public Resources Code Section 21084(c), (d), and (e), and CEQA guidelines Section 15300.2. DTSC has determined that no exceptions to the categorical exemption apply to this project. Because no physical or operational changes are part of the project, no new effects are likely to occur that may create a significant effect upon the environment including the potential for creating a substantial adverse change upon a historical resource, if one were present.

The administrative record for this project is available for inspection at:

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