CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse P.O. Box 3044, 1400 Tenth Street, Room 212 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 From: Department of Toxic Substances Control Permitting Division 8800 Cal Center Drive Sacramento, CA 95826

<u>Project Title</u>: EMERGENCY PERMIT FOR TREATMENT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE, AMPAC FINE CHEMICALS LLC, RANCHO CORDOVA, CA

Project Location: 12295 Hartford Street, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

County: Sacramento County

Project Applicant: Tim Kelly, AMPAC Fine Chemicals LLC

Approval Action Under Consideration by DTSC: Emergency Permit

Statutory Authority: California Health and Safety Code, Chapter 6.5

Project Description: The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), pursuant to authority granted under California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 4.5, Chapter 20, Section 66270.61, has issued an Emergency Permit to AMPAC Fine Chemicals LLC (EPA ID# CAR000069153) to treat hazardous waste through a controlled reaction with a chemical solution. The hazardous waste to be treated consists of one 1-liter container of Ethyl Ether, one 4-liter container of Methyl tert Butyl Ether, four 1-liter containers of Methyl tert Butyl Ether, one 4-liter container of Tetrahydrofuran, one 2-liter container of Tetrahydrofuran, two 1-liter containers of Tetrahydrofuran, one 25-gram container of Diazald, one 100-gram container of Diazald, one 1-liter container of Diazald.

The chemicals are expired and currently being stored at AMPAC Fine Chemicals LLC located at 12295 Hartford Street, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. DTSC has determined as a safety precaution to prevent an accident or severe injury, an Emergency Permit should be issued to chemically stabilize the hazardous waste prior to storage and eventual transportation off-site by Clean Harbors Environmental Services (Clean Harbors).

Background: Some of the identified chemicals produce peroxides as they degrade (i.e. after the product's expiration date). The peroxides produced may be unstable at relatively low concentrations, resulting in fire and/or explosion if improperly handled. Chemical stabilization is recommended prior to transport to a permitted storage, treatment, and disposal facility.

Diazald contains temperature sensitive compounds. Instability can be introduced as the chemicals and/or storage containers degrade (i.e. after the product's expiration date). Chemical stabilization is recommended prior to transport to a permitted storage, treatment, and disposal facility.

Project Activities: The treatment of the hazardous waste involves the addition of solution to the container in a controlled manner to reduce the reactive or ignitable characteristics of the chemical. Treatment will take place within a designated exclusion zone. Only technicians from Clean Harbors will be allowed in the exclusion zone. Movement, preparation, and treatment of the containers will be in accordance with established standards.

Within 10 business days of the expiration of this permit, AMPAC Fine Chemicals LLC will submit a final report, signed in accordance with Title 22, California Code of Regulations section 66270.11(d). The report shall include certification that the treatment area has been cleared of all residual hazardous waste generated from this emergency treatment and all generated waste has been properly managed.

The Emergency Permit is effective beginning April 29, 2021 and shall expire on June 29, 2021.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Clean Harbors Environmental Services

Exempt Status: Emergency Project [PRC, Sec. 21080(b)(4); 14 CCR, Sec.15269(c)]

<u>Reasons Why Project is Exempt</u>: This action is necessary to prevent an emergency. Chemical stabilization of the chemical is necessary prior to transportation to an authorized hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility to prevent accidental fire and/or explosion during transport.

The administrative record for this project is available to the public by appointment at the following location:

Department of Toxic Substances Control File Room Permitting Division 8800 Cal Center Drive Sacramento, CA 95826

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