## 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

Project Title: Emergency Permit for Treatment of Hazardous Waste Amgen SF, LLC., South San Francisco, California

Project Location: 1120 Veterans Boulevard, South San Francisco, California 94080

County: San Mateo

Project Applicant: Simrum Bhullar Senior Associate, Environmental Health and Safety Specialist, Amgen SF, 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 Amgen SF, LLC., (EPA ID# CAR000143750) to treat hazardous waste through a controlled reaction with a chemical solution. Specifically, 100 milliliters of tetrahydrofuran must be stabilized prior to transport to an authorized hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility. No alternative treatment is available.

The hazardous waste items are currently being stored at the Amgen SF facility. DTSC has determined as a safety precaution to prevent an accident or severe injury, an Emergency Permit should be issued to treat the hazardous waste prior to storage and eventual transportation off-site by Clean Harbors Environmental Services (CHES).

**Background**: The container has peroxide formation present on either the threads of the container cap. inside, outside, or the bottom of the chemical's container. The presence of peroxide formation may become explosive, and reactions are easily triggered if shipped untreated prior to disposal. Because of the presence of peroxide formation, DTSC considers the chemical to be an imminent and substantial endangerment to human health and the environment. Therefore, DTSC has determined that the chemical must be treated under an emergency permit prior to being shipped to a fully permitted disposal facility.

Treatment will be performed at Amgen SF, located at 1120 Veterans Boulevard in an outdoor Exclusion Zone. The outdoor Exclusion Zone will be a secured area in the northeast parking lot of the facility.

**Project Activities**: The treatment of the hazardous waste involves the addition of solutions 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 CHES will be allowed in the Exclusion Zone. Movement, preparation, and treatment of the container will be in accordance with established standards.

Within 10 business days of the expiration of this permit, Amgen SF, 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 December 8, 2021 and shall expire on March 8, 2022.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Amgen SF, LLC

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 chemicals 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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