## 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, Haas Group International, Rancho Cordova, California

Project Location: 4901 Delaware Street, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

County: Sacramento

Project Applicant: Kacey Grijalva, DC Manager, Haas Group International

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 Haas Group International, (EPA ID# CAR000237859) to treat hazardous waste through a controlled reaction with a chemical solution. Specifically, 4 liters (4x1 liter containers) of Tetrahydrofuran must be stabilized prior to transport to an authorized hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility.

This chemical is currently being stored at Haas Group International located at 4901 Delaware 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 (CHES).

**Background**: Peroxide formation may be present anywhere in the container, including the side of the container, the bottom of the container, the threaded cap, or even outside the container. Peroxide formation in parts per million (ppm) concentrations may not be visually observable and must be identified through appropriate testing procedures. Peroxides are less volatile than solvent and tend to concentrate in solution or in the container threads. Peroxides are sensitive to heat, friction and shock. Some peroxides may explode without being concentrated. Static electricity or heating from sunlight may be enough to trigger some reaction, making transport of non-stabilized chemicals hazardous. Chemical stabilization is recommended prior to transport to a permitted treatment, storage, and disposal facility.

**Project Activities**: The treatment of the hazardous waste involves the addition of solution to the containers 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 this item will be in accordance with established standards.

Within 10 business days of the expiration of this permit, Haas Group International, 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 June 27, 2022 and shall expire on August 26, 2022.

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(b)(c)]

**<u>Reasons Why Project is Exempt</u>**: This action is necessary to prevent an emergency. Chemical stabilization of this 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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Approver's Signature:

Matthew Mullinax

Date:

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