CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

| To: | Office of Planning and Research | From: | Department of Toxic Substances Control |
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<u>Project Title</u>: Emergency Permit for Treatment of Hazardous Waste, University of California-Davis, School of Medicine, Sacramento, California

Project Location: 2315 Stockton Boulevard, Sacramento CA, 95817

County: Sacramento

Project Applicant: Steve Libertini, Safety Officer

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 the University of California-Davis, School of Medicine (UCD SM), (EPA ID# CAD076124981) to treat hazardous waste through a controlled reaction with a chemical solution. Specifically, one (1) 100-milliliter (mL) container of Acetaldehyde, must be stabilized prior to transport to an authorized hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility.

The chemical is currently being stored at UCD SM located at 2315 Stockton Boulevard, Sacramento CA, 95817. 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: The chemical noted above is peroxide forming material. The chemical produces peroxide compounds as it degrades (i.e., after the product's expiration date). The peroxide produced may be unstable at relatively low concentrations, resulting in fire and/or explosion if improperly managed. Static electricity or heating from sunlight may be enough to trigger a reaction, making transport of non-stabilized chemicals hazardous. Chemical stabilization is recommended prior to transport to a permitted treatment, storage, and disposal facility.

<u>Project Activities</u>: 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 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, UCD SM 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 20, 2023, and shall expire on June 20, 2023.

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 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, California 95826

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Approver's Signature:

Hai-Gong Kang

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