



BAY AREA  
AIR QUALITY  
MANAGEMENT  
DISTRICT

# PUBLIC NOTICE

February 2, 2005

TO: Parents or guardians of children enrolled at the following school(s):  
**St. Barnabas Elementary School, Alameda**

All residential and business neighbors located within 1,000 feet of the proposed new or modified source(s) of air pollution listed below.

FROM: Bay Area Air Quality Management District

RE: Permit Application for the following source(s) of air pollution:  
Emergency Diesel Engine  
U.S. Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service  
620 Central Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501

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The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (the "District") is a local agency that regulates stationary sources of air pollution such as factories, industrial sites, and gasoline stations.

Whenever we receive a permit application for a new or modified source(s) of toxic air contaminants located within 1,000 feet of a school site, State law requires that we notify the public. To comply with this requirement, we distribute or mail a Public Notice to the parents or guardians of students enrolled at schools located within ¼ mile, and all residents and businesses located within 1,000 feet, of the proposed source(s).

You are receiving this Public Notice because a permit application has been filed with the District for the above referenced source(s) of air pollution. A description of the proposed project follows:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Food Safety Inspection Service is applying for an Authority to Construct and Permit to Operate for a Standby Diesel Engine. It will be used to generate power during emergency conditions.

**The District has determined that the increase in health risks resulting from toxic air contaminant emissions from the proposed source(s) are within acceptable levels, and that the project will comply with all other applicable air pollution control requirements. Accordingly, the District plans to issue a Permit to Operate for the proposed project.**

If you are interested in getting more information on the District's evaluation of this proposed project, you may request copies of the applicable staff report(s) by calling the District at the telephone number listed at the end of this notice. This information also can be viewed or downloaded from the District website at:

[http://www.baaqmd.gov/pmt/public\\_notices/2005/index.asp](http://www.baaqmd.gov/pmt/public_notices/2005/index.asp)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

**There is a 30-day period for public response to this proposal. If you wish to comment on the proposed project, you may do so in writing or by e-mail. Alternatively, you may call and leave a telephone message up to one minute in length. Please leave your name and telephone number so that a District staff member may respond to your message.**

Please use the following contact information if you would like to comment on the proposed project:

Mailing address:       USDA FSIS Public Notice Response  
                              BAAQMD  
                              Engineering Division  
                              939 Ellis Street  
                              San Francisco, CA 94109  
                              Attn: Fred Tanaka

E-mail address:       [ftanaka@baaqmd.gov](mailto:ftanaka@baaqmd.gov)

Telephone Number:   (415) 749-5076

The public comment period for this project ends on March 4, 2005.