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## **Air District investigating potential sources of rotten-egg odor in SF & Richmond**

**SAN FRANCISCO** – The Bay Area Air Quality Management District is vigorously investigating all potential sources of the rotten-egg odor complaints in San Francisco and Richmond, including two flaring incidents at Chevron as well as other potential sources such as ships, area landfills and wastewater treatment facilities.

“Yesterday the Air District quickly dispatched our air quality investigators to determine the source of the foul odors that impacted so many residents,” said Jack Broadbent, executive officer of the Air District. “Once we determine the source, we will pursue any and all enforcement actions available.”

The Air District has gathered data from Chevron’s fence line ground-level and nearby air quality monitors. Preliminary indications based on data from the Chevron ground-level monitors show a sulfur release during the first flaring incident at Chevron on 12/27. The Air District is continuing to gather data from air quality monitors for the second flaring incident.

The Air District is analyzing available information and gathering additional data such as monitoring and weather data as well as operational conditions at potential sources in San Francisco and Richmond. Air District inspectors are continuing to investigate odor complaints in Richmond and San Francisco.

The Air District is working with the City of San Francisco, the San Francisco Fire Department and PG&E to help determine the source of the odor.

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District ([www.baaqmd.gov](http://www.baaqmd.gov)) is the regional agency responsible for protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area.

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