



BAY AREA
AIR QUALITY
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Compliance and Enforcement Division

INCIDENT REPORT

Ashland Chemical Company (Site #A7618)
Fairfield, CA
June 4, 2008

At approximately 6:00 PM on June 4, 2008, a fire broke out in a tanker truck at the Ashland Chemical Company located at 2461 Crocker Circle in Fairfield. This facility receives, blends and distributes chemicals. The facility consists of chemical storage tanks, mixing tanks, a drumming operation and truck and railcar transfer facilities. According to the fire department, the material burning was 5,000 to 6,000 gallons of toluene, ethyl acetate and xylene in truck tanker trailers. The fire was extinguished at approximately 8:15 PM on June 4, 2008. Six truck tank trailers were burned. The cause of the fire is unknown at this time.

District staff responded and assisted the first responders. The nearby industrial park was evacuated and the nearby residents were advised to shelter in place, avoid the smoke, stay indoors and close air intake systems to their homes. No complaints have been received. The smoke from the fire was drifting towards Suisun and the Concord area. Air District ambient air monitors in Suisun indicated the winds were from the north at 10 to 16 miles per hour during the fire. The District collected ambient air samples at scene.

The cause of the fire is under investigation. District staff will continue to investigate if there were any violations of air quality regulations. This report will be updated as new information becomes available.