

December 16, 2004

Ms. Deborah Jordan
Acting Director, Air Management Division
United States Environmental Protection Agency
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

Dear Ms. Jordan:

The requirements for public and EPA review of the following proposed reopening to a Major Facility Review Permit have been completed:

Facility #	Facility Name	Address, City	Type of Operation
B2758	Tesoro Refining and Marketing Company	Avon Refinery 150 Solano Way Martinez, CA 94553	Petroleum Refinery
B2759	Tesoro Refining and Marketing Company	Amorco Terminal 1750 Marina Vista Way Martinez, CA 94553	Petroleum Refinery

The District sent the formal notice of reopening pursuant to BAAQMD Regulation 2-6-415 on December 15, 2003. The District invited public comment on the changes to proposed permit and on changes made to the draft permit published on August 12, 2003, as reflected in the final permit issued on December 1, 2003. The notice was published in the Contra Costa Times on March 1, 2004. The final date for comments was March 31, 2004, but was extended to April 14, 2004. The District amended the permit in response to comments and sent the proposed permit to EPA for review on August 25, 2004. EPA commented on the permit on October 8, 2004.

The District has made some changes in response to the comments received. These changes are discussed in the revised Statement of Basis/Permit Evaluation. Responses to Comments have been prepared for EPA, and all members of the public who commented. A formal response to the facility's comments will be transmitted to you within 30 days of this letter.

EPA in its October 8, 2004, letter identified a number of issues requiring follow-up and, as appropriate, further revision to the permit. The District is committed to addressing these issues through a cooperative effort with EPA. Among the most important issues are those identified in Attachment 1 to the October 8 letter. The District's first step in addressing the Attachment 1 issues will be a proposed determination to be transmitted to EPA on or before January 6, 2005.

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All changes have been listed in the new Revision History, Section X of the permit.

The District has decided to issue the Major Facility Review Permit. Enclosed are copies of the final permit, the final evaluation report/statement of basis, dated December 2004, and all responses to comments prepared to date. If you have any questions regarding this project, please call Steve A Hill, Air Quality Engineering Manager, at (415) 749-4673.

Sincerely yours,

Jack P. Broadbent
Executive Officer / APCO

Enclosures: Final permit

Final statement of basis

Response to EPA letter of April 14, 2004

Response to Golden Gate University letter of April 14, 2004

Response to WSPA letter of April 14, 2004

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