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Air District settles case with Air Liquide

Company to pay \$159,000 for air quality violations

SAN FRANCISCO – The Bay Area Air Quality Management District announced today that Air Liquide Large Industries, US LP, has agreed to pay \$159,000 to settle violations that occurred at its hydrogen plant at the San Francisco Oil Refinery in Rodeo.

This settlement covers seven Notices of Violation issued to the company for non-compliance with air quality regulations at its operations that occurred between 2016 and 2021.

“Protecting air quality for all Bay Area residents is our top priority,” said Jack Broadbent, executive officer of the Air District. “This settlement is a tool to ensure that Air Liquide takes responsibility to comply with air quality regulations and does not jeopardize public health through its operations.”

The various types of violations addressed in this settlement include:

- Isolated and relatively minor emission-related violations
- An emission excess that persisted after initial efforts to repair it
- Use of a continuous emission monitoring system that was not properly certified
- Minor administrative violations

All the violations that led to this settlement have been corrected.

The Air District issues Notices of Violation when facilities violate a specific air quality regulation or rule. Violators are generally required to respond to the notice within 10 days and submit a description of the actions they will take to correct the problem. These actions can include shutting down certain operations immediately or changing operations or equipment to come into compliance.

All settlement funds will be used to fund Air District activities such as the inspection and enforcement activities that led to this settlement.

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