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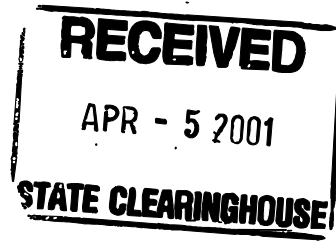


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To Whom it May Concern:

East Los Angeles Area has reviewed the study document, SCH #2001031061, regarding the decommissioning and sale of Southern California Gas Company's Montebello Gas Storage Facility in Montebello, CA. The facility in question is located at the central northern section of the city, bordering the south city limits of Monterey Park. It is approximately 1/4 mile south of State Route (SR) 60, the only roadway within the jurisdiction for the California Highway Patrol (CHP) that is within the facility's sphere of concern.

The facility is situated on the southern slope of a hill and is not in view of traffic on SR 60. Therefore, none of the decommissioning activity at the facility will be seen by motorists on the freeway. Consequently, the decommissioning of the facility will not visually impact traffic flow on SR 60.

Hazardous Material 1 Fire Concerns

The decommissioning of the gas storage facility creates the potential for the release of hazardous materials into the atmosphere or an accidental **fire** that could spread to the surrounding brush. In either event, **traffic** on SR 60 may be impacted. However, it is anticipated that the environmental concerns will not be significant, due to mitigation measures in place. Montebello Fire Department holds the permits for the facility and the decommissioning operation.

Area management will contact the Fire Departments for the Cities of Montebello and Monterey Park to ensure that the appropriate protocols and procedures are in effect to facilitate the CIT's response, if necessary, in the event of a release of hazardous materials into the atmosphere or a **fire**.

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