

Audit Summary

Dwelley Family Farms

Oakley, California

Accident History:

The facility has not had an incident related to the regulated CalARP materials in the last five years.

Introduction

Contra Costa Health Services Hazardous Materials Programs (CCHSHMP) conducted a comprehensive audit/inspection of the policies, and procedures developed by Dwelley Family Farms located at 515 Delta Road in Oakley. This audit, conducted in the summer of 2019, was performed to assess compliance with the California Accidental Release Prevention (CalARP) Program. The CalARP program requires the development of prevention programs such as maintenance, operating procedures, contractor safety, personnel training, incident investigations, and understanding hazards at the plant. The inspection also examines the management systems in place to implement these programs, and the plant's emergency response program to make sure that the plant is prepared to respond to an emergency involving a hazardous chemical.

During a comprehensive CalARP audit for a facility like Dwelley Family Farms, CCHSHMP reviews individual safety programs through answering up to 105 questions. The CCHSHMP 2019 CalARP audit at Dwelley Family Farms resulted in 5 corrective actions for Dwelley Family Farms to implement, and roughly 9 other items that are not required, but may assist in accident prevention.

Based on our audit/inspection, many of the prevention programs did meet the regulatory requirements. Identified below are some notable issues found, both good and bad.

Notable Items:

- **Management:** A management system has been developed for the CalARP program.
- **Safety Information:** Equipment specifications and maximum intended inventory need to be made consistent throughout the relevant documentation.
- **Training:** Select employees are trained to operate the ammonia process at the beginning of each season. All employees are trained in ammonia awareness and emergency response.
- **Hazard Review:** One overdue recommendation needs to be implemented.
- **Operating Procedures:** Written operating procedures for the refrigeration process need to be modified to clearly refer to the correct equipment and drawings.
- **Maintenance:** The facility has coordinated maintenance activities with the ammonia refrigeration system supplier. The types and frequencies of preventive maintenance activities have been documented and are implemented for the process equipment.



Additional Information

To review the complete safety audit report, visit the Oakley Library at 1050 Neroly Rd, Oakley, CA 94561 or call 925-335-3200 for an appointment to view the report at CCHSHMP's office at 4585 Pacheco Boulevard, Martinez, CA 94553.

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