



# San Diego County Air Pollution Control District

December 13, 2024

Dear Employee:

This letter is to let you know that you work in an area that has potentially elevated health risks created by air toxic emissions from the following facility. The attached map shows the area of elevated health risks around this facility.

Facility Name: Freeberg Industrial Fabrication Corp  
Address: 2874 Progress Pl, Escondido, CA 92029  
Type of Business: Metal Fabrication

State law<sup>1</sup> protects your right to know about possible health risks from stationary sources<sup>2</sup> of air pollution in your neighborhood by requiring the facilities which create elevated health risks to notify you. The San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (SDAPCD) is responsible for requiring public notifications and risk reduction from such facilities per District Rule 1210<sup>3</sup>.

SDAPCD required a health risk assessment from Freeberg Industrial Fabrication based on their air toxic emissions from 2021. That health risk assessment shows that, in 2021, Freeberg Industrial Fabrication released air toxic emissions, primarily nickel from laser cutting, welding, and abrasive blasting, that could create health effects. Specifically, the Health Risk Assessment shows the *Maximum Occupational Acute Health Hazard Index* for their 2021 emissions was 4.53. A hazard index below one means that there are no negative health effects expected from the facility's air toxic emissions<sup>4</sup>.

SDAPCD Rule 1210 requires this facility to submit a risk reduction audit and plan to APCD by March 17, 2025. You can stay updated about their plan by subscribing to APCD GovDelivery through the following link: <https://bit.ly/SDAPCD-Updates> and clicking on the Air Pollution Control District News list.

Please join us at a public meeting on Zoom on January 29, 2025, at 5:00 PM by registering at <https://bit.ly/Freeberg2021> to address questions regarding this facility. You can also reach out to the facility by contacting Steve Olejnik with Freeberg

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<sup>1</sup> Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Information and Assessment Act of 1987, Health and Safety Code sections 44360, et seq.

<sup>2</sup> Stationary sources include factories or manufacturing plants, power plants, shipyards, landfills, rock or asphalt plants, and other industrial, commercial and governmental operations that can emit air pollution

<sup>3</sup><https://bit.ly/Rule1210>

<sup>4</sup> The noncancer health hazard index is calculated by dividing the estimated amount of emissions in the air emitted from a facility by the amount that is not expected to cause any health issues

Industrial Fabrication Corp at [Steve.Olejnik@freeberg.com](mailto:Steve.Olejnik@freeberg.com). The attached fact sheet has additional information. If you have any questions, please send us the attached survey or contact us at [APCDEngineering@sdapcd.org](mailto:APCDEngineering@sdapcd.org) or at (858) 586-2600.

Sincerely,

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SDAPCD Deputy Director