

Regulations on Toxic Chemicals Leakage Treatment in Taipei Harbor

Promulgated in accordance with Letter Reference Pei-Kang-Hang-Tzu No. 1266

I These regulations are enacted by Taipei Harbor Branch, Keelung Harbor Bureau (hereinafter called THB) in order to deal with toxic chemical leakage.

II Upon receiving a report of toxic chemicals leakage in this harbor, THB should order the employers or managers to stop the operation, in accordance with Article 10 of the Labor Safety & Health Act, transfer the employees to a safe place, report it to the Taipei Harbor Fire Branch, Keelung Harbor Fire Brigade, and Taipei Police Station, Keelung Harbor Police Office to guard and ask the goods owners to provide Material safety data sheets.

III The enterprise or person causing such a leakage should take effective emergency measures immediately to minimize the disaster and report it to the nearest rescue units and fire brigade for assistance.

IV The THB Signal Station should inform neighboring ships to ensure their own safety and arrange their emergency departure if necessary.

V The accident should then be reported to the Environmental Protection Administration, Executive Yuan, Ministry Of Transportation And Communications, the Environmental Protection Bureau of Taipei Government and Keelung Harbor Bureau

in accordance with the Procedure for a Major Disaster Emergency Report provided in the Annex.

VI An Emergency Response Unit must be organized immediately and undertake an emergency response in accordance with the Regulations on Disaster Prevention and Response and the Procedure for Disasters.

VII Before dealing with the emergency, the Emergency Response Unit should firstly confirm the leakage location, time, type of product, name of goods in English and Chinese, UN NO., CAS NO., leakage property and scale and decide on the affected areas, the possibly extended scope and an evacuation route depending on the wind report released by the Weather Bureau and materials safety data sheet.

VIII A Command Center should be organized on the windward side or another appropriate place when dealing with the disaster at its location. The disaster area should be quarantined. Persons responding, who are not wearing protective clothing, and those who are not members of the disaster response unit, are not allowed to enter into the disaster area and must stay on the leeward. Persons responding must withdraw from the area as soon as the color of the storage tank changes or it sounds, in order to avoid injuries from a possible explosion.

IX Neighboring fire departments must be notified along with appropriate hospitals and hospitals which have the capacity for dealing with toxic chemicals to assist in the

emergency. The accident must also be reported to the Toxic Disaster Emergency Response Center, an affiliated unit of the Department of Toxic Substance Management, Environmental Protection Administration, or other organizations responsible to ask for assistance if necessary.

X Any subjects or matters not provided for in these regulations may be legislated for at any time.

XI These regulations will enter into effect as of the date of promulgation.

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