PR 1410 Working Group Meeting #8

SEPTEMBER 6, 2018 SCAQMD Headquarters Diamond Bar, California

Agenda

Summary of Rulemaking Progress

Mitigation Concepts

Long-Term Phase Out Alternative

Schedule

Summary of Rulemaking Progress

- Hired two consultants who have expertise in HF and risk assessments to assist in mitigation development
 - Quest Consultants
 - □ Hazard Analysis Consulting (Dr. Ronald Koopman)
- Reached out Honeywell/UOP, ExxonMobil and Torrance Refining Company (TORC) on release of confidential MHF information
- Reached out U.S. Geological Survey for seismic analysis information in the South Bay region
 - Consulting with TORC and Valero on their seismic protocols
- Investigating HF use in other industries

Status of Request to Release Information on MHF Technology

May 2, 2018
Staff request to
Honeywell to
disclose
information
relevant to MHF
technology

~June 6, 2018 Honeywell said it needs ExxonMobil permission, who developed the information June 21, 2018
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August 10, 2018
Staff letter to
Honeywell,
ExxonMobil and
TORC for their
decision on
information
release

August 22, 2018
ExxonMobil
formally declines
to consent to
release of
information

August 30, 2018
Staff waiting for
formal written
response from
Honeywell and
TORC re:
information
release

Initial Findings of HF Use in Other Industries

- Queried "hydrofluoric acid" from SCAQMD permit universe 2011– 2017
- Forty-nine active facilities using HF
 - Various types of business
 - Metal plating and metal finishing
 - Manufacturing (aerospace, semiconductor, anodizing, optical components, electric lighting, etc.)
 - Testing facilities
 - HF used alone or mixed with other acids (e.g., nitric acid)
 - □ HF concentrations range from 2% to 49%
 - □ Lower volume usage (e.g., 5 gallons/month)
 - Unheated and air sparged

Summary of Rulemaking Progress (cont'd)

- Exploring two mitigation approaches
 - Regulatory approach; or
 - Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
- MOU mitigation concepts can be designed for each refinery
- Need for public process or CEQA compliance
- Continuing to propose mitigation
- Reviewing proposed safety enhancement mitigation from TORC

Estimated Timeline for PR 1410 and MOU with CEQA

Required Action Items PR 1410	MOU with CEQA Process	Estimated Timeline
Refinery Committee		September 22, 2018
Send Draft Mitigation Measu	res To HF Expert Consultants	Late-September 2018
Release of 1st Draft of PR 1410	ase of 1st Draft of PR 1410 Release of 1st Draft of MOU	
CEQA Notice of Preparation/Initial Study (NOP/IS)		November 2018
CEQA Scoping Meeting		December 2018
Working Group Meeting #9		December 2018
Prepare/Release Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)		January/February 2019
Release 2 nd Draft of PR 1410	Release 2 nd Draft of MOU	March 2019
Working Group Meeting #10		March 2019
Public Workshop		April 2019
Circulate Socioeconomic Impact Assessment		April 2019
Refinery Committee		End of April 2019
30 day Public Hearing Notice	Notification of MOU Signing	End of April 2019
Finalize 30 day package – 3 rd Draft Rule	Release of 3 rd Draft of MOU	May 2019
Set Hearing		May 2019
Public Hearing	Sign Final MOU	June 2019
Total Months		9 Months

Estimated Timeline for PR 1410 and MOU without CEQA

Required Action Items PR 1410	Estimated Timeline	MOU without CEQA or Socioeconomic Analysis	Estimated Timeline
Refinery Committee	September 22, 2018	Refinery Committee	September 22, 2018
Send Preliminary Draft Rule Language To HF Expert Consultants	Late-September 2018	Send Draft Mitigation Measures To HF Expert Consultants	Late-September 2018
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Total Months	9 Months		6 Months

Proposed Mitigation

Guiding Principles for Mitigation Requirements

- Improve early detection of an MHF leak
 - □ Enhancement of existing mitigation
 - Addition to existing mitigation
- Decrease reaction time to activate mitigation measures
 - More automation
- Protect alkylation unit from external impacts
- Multi-faceted approach to address large consequential release of MHF that could lead to off-site impacts
 - Series of water mitigation systems
- Expeditious implementation schedule

Overview of Proposed Mitigation Implementation Schedule

On or before July 1, 2019

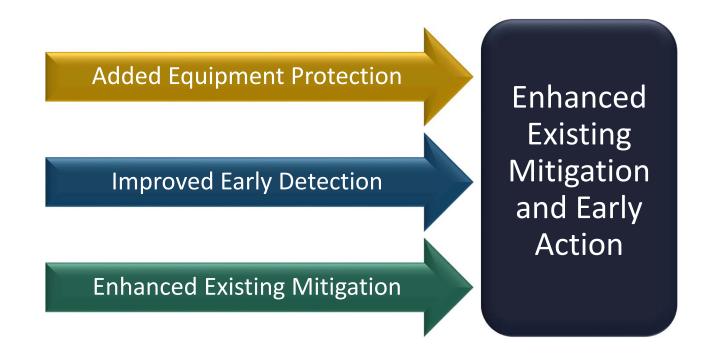
- Physical barriers
 - Enclosed catch basin
 - Protection barrier
- HF point sensors/open-path monitors
- HF paint
- Video surveillance cameras
- Acid evacuation system
- Emergency isolation block valves
- Pressure monitors
- Additive concentrations
- Seismic upgrade

On or before January 1, 2020

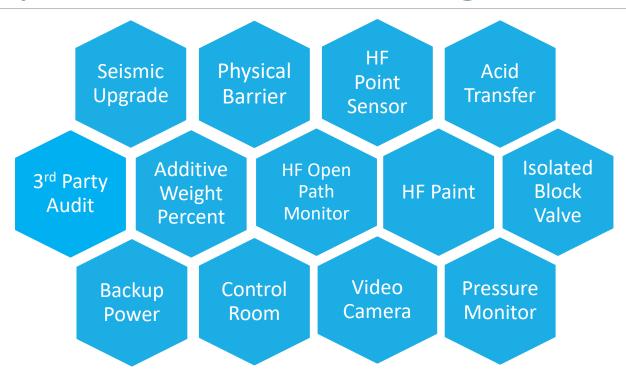
- Water deluge on pumps
 - Automated at 10 ppm leak
- Steel enclosure around acid settler integrated with:
 - Water cannons
 - Water spray curtains
- Acid evacuation simultaneously with water mitigation
- Increase water to HF ratio (60 to 1)

Proposed Mitigation on or before July 1, 2019 (2019 Mitigation)

Key Elements of 2019 Mitigation



Components of 2019 Mitigation



Physical Barrier Requirements



Vapor barriers

- Acid settler belly pan / Acid cooler diffuser
- Acid circulation pump enclosure / Seal-less pump



Enclosed catch basin

• Catch acid drain from acid settler pans and flange shrouds



Protection barrier

 Alkylation unit equipment not visible off-site (e.g., wall, landscape)

HF Point Sensor, Open-Path Monitor and Sensitive Paint Requirements



HF point sensor

- In and outside acid containment system
- Multiple elevations
- At least 3 sensors per equipment (acid settler, storage, etc.)



HF open-path monitor

- In and outside acid containment system
- Multiple elevations
- Link to automatic water mitigation systems



HF sensitive paint

- Reapply every six months
- Inspect weekly
- Reapply in two days upon observation of discoloration

Surveillance Camera and Control Room Requirements



Video camera

- High definition day and night vision video
- Dedicate to equipment (settler, storage) and HF unloading area
- At a distance from alkylation unit in case alkylation unit is compromised



Control room

- Dedicate to equipment (settler, storage) and HF unloading area
- Each screen clearly marked on viewing areas
- No more than 3 camera feeds per screen

Acid Evacuation System, Emergency Isolation Block Valve, and Pressure Monitor Requirements



Acid evacuation system

- De-inventory less than 10 minutes
- Storage must be sufficient to hold all liquids in settler
- Operate simultaneously with water mitigation



Emergency isolation block valve

- Remotely operated
- Effective isolation of inventory with no overpressure



Pressure monitor

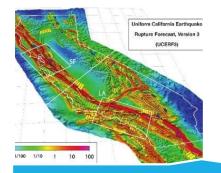
 Monitor pressure levels in acid settler, acid cooler, and fresh HF storage vessel

Alkylation Unit Additive Concentration, Seismic Upgrade, Backup Power Supply Requirements



Additive concentration

- 8.0 wt% in acid settler &
 15.0 wt% in fresh HF
 storage at a given time
- Measure 2 times a day acid, additive and water concentrations



Seismic upgrade

- Facility-specific seismic upgrade of structures in acid service area
- Latest International Building Code

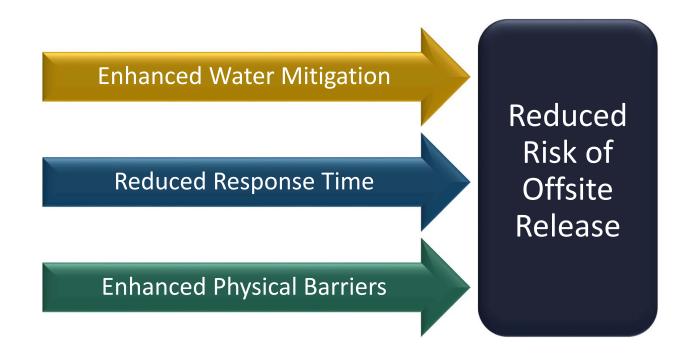


Backup power supply

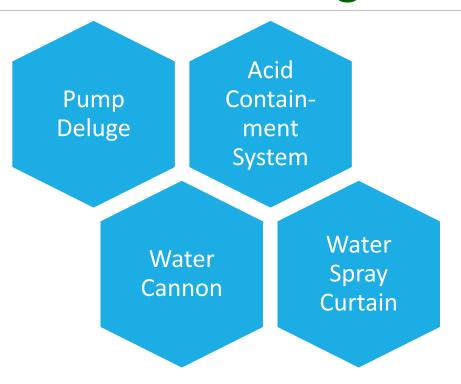
- Redundant backup power supply for all devices requiring power
- Uninterruptible operation in the event of a power disruption

Proposed Mitigation on or before January 1, 2020 (2020 Mitigation)

Key Elements of 2020 Mitigation



Components of 2020 Mitigation



Water Mitigation Requirements



Pump Deluge

- Mitigate any release
- Audible and visual alarm with point sensor detection
- Automated activation at HF level of 10 ppm



Water Cannon

- Break HF release jet momentum
- Provide enough gas to liquid contact area
- In and outside acid containment system



Water Spray Curtain

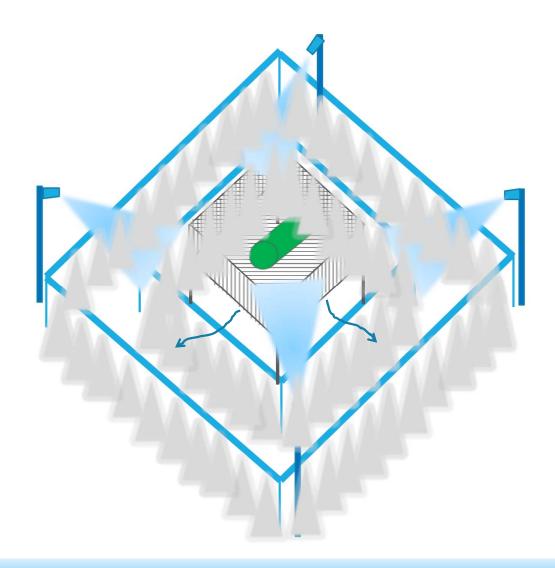
- Series of water spray curtains
- In and outside acid containment system
- Around storage vessel and HF unloading area

Acid Containment System Requirements

- Objective is to reduce release momentum and to increase effectiveness of water mitigation
- Facility-specific steel enclosure around acid settler
- Two possible types:
 - Box type
 - Rooftop and four sides with ground clearance
 - Video cameras, series of water spray curtains and water cannons in and outside the enclosure
 - Wind tunnel type
 - Rooftop and three sides with no ground clearance and one opened side
 - Video cameras, water cannons and series of water spray curtains in and outside the enclosure

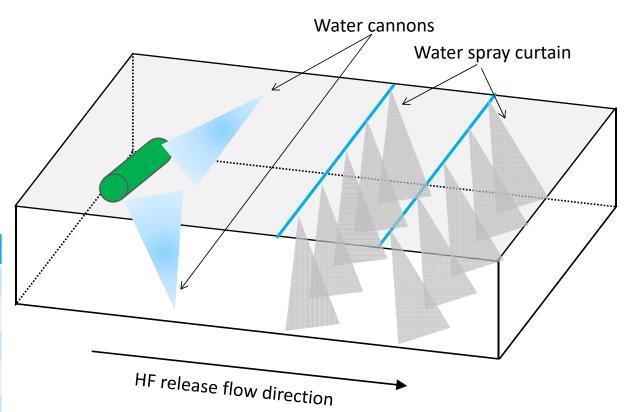
Example 1: Box Type

Mitigation Favings out	Containment System		
Mitigation Equipment	Inside	Outside	
HF Point Sensors	✓	✓	
HF Open-path Monitors	✓	✓	
Water Cannons	✓	✓	
Water Spray Curtains	✓	✓	
Video Cameras	✓	✓	



Example 2: Wind Tunnel Type

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Water Spray Curtains	✓		
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Design Parameters of Water Spray Curtains

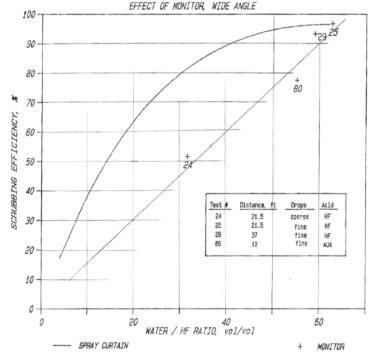
- Spray downward perpendicular to the horizontal flow of the hydrogen fluoride release
- Appropriate height of the curtain to prevent the HF cloud from going over the curtain
- Fine water droplets but large enough to remain stable against winds
- More than one water spray curtains covering a large distance from the high inventory HF acid settler
- Enough water to HF ratio in excess of 60 to 1
- Can design to activate spray nozzles only in the downwind path
- Activate simultaneously with water cannons when acid evacuation system is operated

Design Parameters of Water Cannons

- Enough nozzle pressure to break release momentum
- Enough water to effectively mitigate
- One or more cannons dedicated at each corner
- Located at a higher elevation to capture release and provide no gap in the continuity of water wall
- Fully adjustable to aim and shoot at any potential release path
- Activate simultaneously with water spray curtains when acid evacuation system is operated

Basis for 60 to 1 Water Mitigation Ratio

- HF is 100% water-soluble
- With a water to HF ratio of 60 to 1, water sprays were 95% effective at removing HF
- The 60 to 1 ratio may not be achieved immediately after release due to large initial mass release rate
 - Maintain water mitigation longer than release time



(Source: Schatz and Koopman, 1990 – Hawk Series Test)

How Much of Water Is Needed?

- Example of an HF Release:
 - □ 470 gallons/minute from acid settler and storage (based on Goldfish Test 1)
 - □ 200 gallons/minute from others

HF Release Rate Assumed (GPM)	Water to HF Ratio Needed	Water Release Rate Calculated (GPM)	Mitigation Duration (Minutes)	Total Water Needed (Gallons)
470	60 to 1	28,200	10	282,000
200	60 to 1	12,000	10	120,000

Need water storage, delivery system, and backup power for pumps

Notification Requirements

Guiding Principles for Notification Requirements

- Provide responsible parties advanced warnings
- Ensure necessary action is implemented as soon as possible
- Report HF leak or release to SCAQMD
- Provide a prompt warning to impacted neighborhoods for a potential release of HF
- Synchronize with emergency community alert system

Automatic Notifications to SCAQMD and Community Alert



HF point sensor

- 2 ppm internal
- 6 ppm SCAQMD



HF open-path monitor

- 10 ppm-m internal
- 20 ppm-m SCAQMD
- 30 ppm-m at fence line for alert to community

Emergency Response Requirements

Guiding Principles for Emergency Response Requirements

- Establish an organizational structure and procedures for public response to HF release that may affect community and businesses
- Alert impacted neighborhoods
- Assist neighborhoods to evacuate as quickly as possible and move to shelter in place if needed
- Coordinate with emergency responders and local hospitals to have sufficient supplies of calcium gluconate

Emergency Response Requirements

- Develop an emergency community alert system
 - Short text messaging, e-mail notifications, community radio and television channels
- Establish and maintain temporary, public shelter-in-place within 3 miles in radius
- Develop an evacuation plan for community (incl. shelter-in-place drills)
- Distribute practical instructions for the event of an actual release
 - Flyer, demonstration and training video
 - Available on refinery's website
- Distribute sufficient supplies of calcium gluconate gel and nebulizers in shelter and hospitals near the refinery

Demonstration and Training Video

- Shelter-in-place location; more than one, if needed
- Signals for entering and leaving the shelter
- Steps to secure shelter from HF intrusion
 - ☐ Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) shutdown, positive pressure, sealing of doors and windows
- List of equipment to be maintained on site
 - Communication equipment, materials for securing the shelter
- Process to ensure proper maintenance of the equipment
- Checklist for shelter-in-place drills

Long-Term Phase-Out: Alternative Option

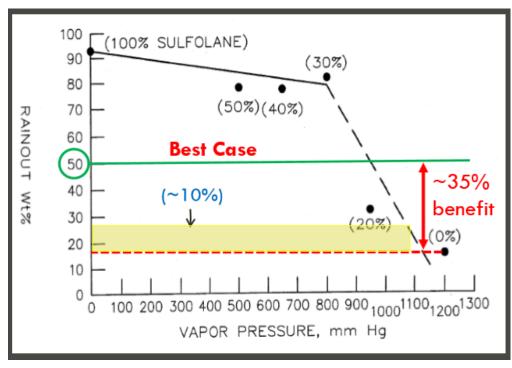
Long-Term Phase-Out Alternative

Refinery Committee directed staff to develop mitigation measures

- Refinery Committee did not dismiss potential phase-out
- Alternative catalyst technology is available

Why Consider Long-Term Phase-Out:

- HF reduction benefits offered by MHF are relatively small
- A large release of MHF from acid settlers could be potentially catastrophic



(Source: January 20, 2018 Refinery Committee staff presentation)

What We Know and Do Not Know about MHF

- Facts
 - No field or laboratory test on similar conditions (temperature, pressure and MHF concentration) at refineries
 - □ API 751 says MHF is one of many mitigation measures for HF
- In the absence of data on actual behavior of MHF, assumed behavior similar to HF
 - □ Responsibility of the refineries to demonstrate behavior of MHF
- Still an extremely hazardous material and need to protect workers from exposure

Why Consider Long-Term Phase-Out: (cont'd)

- Chevron's Salt Lake City Refinery is scheduled to operate a new alkylation unit in 2020 with ionic liquid catalyst
 - If successful, will be achieved in practice
 - Staff could conduct a technology assessment including a site visit



Why Consider Long-Term Phase-Out: (cont'd)

Potential long-term phase-out could be extended to 12 years

	Alternative Catalyst Technology
Start Date	2019
Engineering	12 months
Design & CEQA (concurrent)	18 months
Permitting	12 months
Logistics	12 months
Order/Delivery/Installation	18 months
Testing	72 months*
Full Commissioning	2031

^{*} Consideration of turnaround schedule and process optimization/tune-up period

Next Steps

Schedule

Activity	Current Target Date
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