

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**  
**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION**

To: Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
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From: Department of Toxic Substances Control  
Permitting Division  
8800 Cal Center Drive  
Sacramento, CA 95826

**Subject:** Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with Section 21108 of the Public Resources Code

**Project Title:** USS-UPI, LLC., formerly USS-Posco Industries, Post Closure Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Renewal

**State Clearinghouse Number:** 2002062026

**Project Location:** 900 Loveridge Road, Pittsburg, CA 94565

**County:** Contra Costa

**Project Applicant:** USS-UPI, LLC., formerly USS-Posco Industries

**Project Description:** The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), pursuant to authority granted under California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 4.5, Chapter 20 is approving an addendum to a previously adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration for the renewal of a Post Closure Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Permit) for USS-UPI, LLC (Facility), formerly USS-Posco Industries, for ten years. This Permit will allow continued post closure maintenance of the hazardous waste landfill, Unit 1 Corrective Action Management Unit (CAMU). This Permit Renewal does not include any changes in operations or construction, and there are no proposed ground disturbing activities.

**Background:** The USS-UPI, LLC is an approximately 483-acre steel production facility located in Contra Costa County at 900 Loveridge Road in Pittsburg, California. The Facility processes semi-finished hot band coils obtained from off-site steel producers and converts them into finished steel products through methods known as cold reduction, annealing, and finishing. The Unit 1 Corrective Action Management Unit (CAMU) is an approximately 10-acre post-closure hazardous waste landfill. Between 1971 and 1989, Site L-B included five unlined sludge-thickening impoundments and a dried sludge disposal area. These impoundments accepted Class I waste sludge for de-watering and drying. The dried sludge was then placed on the unlined ground surface for disposal. The five impoundments were closed in 1989 although the dried sludge disposal area continued to accept dried sludge and became known as Unit 1.

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Currently, post closure maintenance activities of the Unit 1 CAMU include routine inspections of the conditions of the engineered cap cover and monitoring of the surface water and groundwater. Other post closure maintenance activities include vegetation and rodent control, ensuring survey monuments are intact, clearing debris, and ensuring fencing and warning signs are repaired, as necessary.

The Unit 1 CAMU was closed in September 1995 and post-closure monitoring began in January 1996. A Post Closure Hazardous Waste Facility Permit was issued by DTSC on September 26, 2002, and a Post Closure Permit Renewal was issued by DTSC on March 21, 2014. A Class 1\* Permit Modification to the 2014 permit renewal was issued by DTSC on December 9, 2022, acknowledging the name change to USS-UPI and approving changes to the statistical analysis method used to evaluate groundwater monitoring data. The renewed Permit will allow the Facility to continue post closure maintenance activities. This renewal extends the current Permit for ten additional years with no proposed physical changes, construction, or proposed ground disturbing activities to the Unit 1 CAMU.

As Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC approved the above-described project on June 26, 2025, and has made the following determinations:

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were not made a condition of project approval by DTSC.
4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project by DTSC.
5. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA by DTSC.

The administrative record for this project is available to the public by appointment at the following location:

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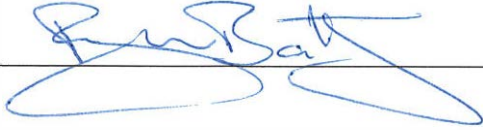
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Approver's Signature:

Date:



September 8, 2025

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