SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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Air District Settles Air Violations with Kiewit Pacific Company

The Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District announced today it has reached a $208,560 settlement with Kiewit Pacific Company over air quality violations at its Folsom Bridge project.

The Air District cited Kiewit Pacific for several violations including operating two diesel-fueled engines powering stationary tower cranes for nearly a year without a permit. In addition, the engines did not meet the District's Best Available Control Technology requirements for emission limits on internal combustion engines over 50 horsepower.

Notices of Violation were issued by the Air District for Rule 201, *General Permit Requirements,* and for Rule 401, *Ringelmann Chart.*

"Large scale construction projects such as Kiewit Pacific's present several air quality issues when operating without permits" said Program Supervisor Kevin Leonard. "To avoid costly penalties it is important for businesses to obtain proper permits from the Air District before beginning projects of this nature."

Kiewit Pacific specializes in construction, engineering and mining Services.

The penalty was reached through AQMD's Mutual Settlement Program, a voluntary program designed to resolve violations without the time and expense of litigation. Settlement funds are used to help support the District's mission of improving air quality in the Sacramento region.

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