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**Subject:** comments for AQMD Rule 1410 - Ban MHF ASAP

Dear Heather,

Below is a letter to add to the comment page for 1410.

I will be forwarding you some additional scanned postcards that may or may not have been put on the 1410 comment page.

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**Subject:** AQMD Rule 1410 - Ban MHF ASAP

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Dear Board Members,

A few days ago (again) there was a news report about a fiery crash on the 105 freeway involving a tanker truck and another car. The entire freeway was closed for hours! But my first thoughts were about the tanker's cargo. This is the route used to deliver MHF to the Torrance Refinery. What if the tanker contained tens of thousands of gallons of MHF? A rupture of that tank could cause thousands of deaths and injuries, and not only to the motorists in the area. When the explosion happened in April of this year at the Husky Refinery in Wisconsin they had to evacuate a 30 square mile area due to the danger of an MHF release. Could they even try to do such a thing here?

This is not even about the local refineries themselves or their mitigation efforts. It is about the hazards of using such large quantities of a very dangerous chemical in such a densely-populated area. If a release were to happen, we could not evacuate in time to avoid being killed (our roads are already clogged). And we know that we can't safely shelter in place for the required time duration for the vapor hazard to dissipate. So we are sitting ducks. And of course there is no mitigation in place for a truck accident (or even sabotage or terrorism).

Why is there even a discussion of continuing to use this deadly and threatening chemical when safer alternatives exist? Isn't it your first responsibility to protect our lives? And our environment? You MUST do all you can to remove this threat from our area. Ban MHF within four years! Nothing else will do!

Sincerely,

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