

# Audit Summary

## Safeway Beverage Plant Richmond, California

### Accident History:

The facility has not had an incident related to the regulated CalARP materials in the last five years.

## Introduction

Contra Costa Hazardous Materials Programs (CCHMP) conducted a comprehensive audit/inspection of the policies, and procedures developed by Safeway Beverage Plant (Safeway) located at 1921 San Joaquin St. in Richmond. This audit, conducted in the fall of 2021, was performed to assess compliance with the California Accidental Release Prevention (CalARP) Program. The CalARP program requires the development of prevention programs such as maintenance, operating procedures, contractor safety, personnel training, incident investigations, and understanding hazards at the plant. The inspection also examines the management systems in place to implement these programs and the plant's emergency response program to make sure that the plant is prepared to respond to an emergency involving a hazardous chemical.

During a comprehensive CalARP audit for a facility like Safeway CCHMP reviews individual safety programs through answering up to 105 questions. The CCHMP 2021 CalARP audit at Safeway resulted in 3 corrective actions for Safeway to implement, and roughly 10 other items that are not required, but may assist in accident prevention.

*Based on our audit/inspection, many of the prevention programs meet the regulatory requirements. Identified below are some notable issues found, both good and bad.*

## Notable Items:

- **Safety Information:** The Technical Operating Specification needs to be updated to reflect the correct number of ammonia detectors and their setpoints.
- **Maintenance:** Improvement is needed in the tracking of pressure relief valve replacement dates. Frequent equipment inspections were found to take place although it was recommended that additional inspection and testing activities common in the industry be evaluated for incorporation.
- **Operating Procedures:** Recent changes to automate the refrigeration process need to be incorporated into the facility's operating procedures.
- **Incident Investigation:** Incident Investigations need to occur for all qualifying ammonia incidents. The results of investigations need to be compiled in a report and action items tracked to completion.
- **Compliance Audit:** A compliance audit needs to be completed for the facility.



## Additional Information

To review the complete safety audit report, visit the Richmond Library at 325 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA 94804 or call 925-655-3200 for an appointment to view the report at CCHMP's offices

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