



# South Coast Air Quality Management District

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## **SPECIAL AIR QUALITY ADVISORY**

**Jan. 25, 2019**

On January 25, 2019, SCAQMD responded to a minor leak of modified hydrofluoric acid (MHF) at Torrance Refining Co. Inspectors have determined that the leak lasted approximately four minutes. No injuries were sustained.

At approximately 3:45 p.m., two sensors at Torrance Refining Co. alerted that a minor MHF leak had occurred. SCAQMD inspectors arrived at the facility at approximately 4:55 p.m. Once on site, inspectors visually verified that the leak had been stopped and that maintenance activities believed to have caused the approximately four-minute leak were completed. Refinery personnel had undertaken mitigation efforts using water during the repairs, and there is no indication that any MHF emission went beyond facility boundaries. The Torrance Fire Department also responded to the incident but departed upon confirmation that the leak was stopped.