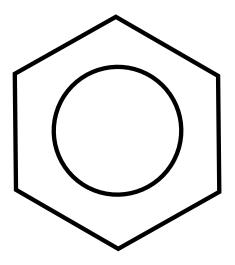
Houston Regional Benzene Air Pollution Reduction:

A Voluntary Plan for Major Sources



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Overview of the Plan

Objective: Benzene is a hazardous air pollutant that causes cancer. In the majority of the Houston region, ambient air concentrations of benzene exceed the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) risk guidelines. In some parts of the region, notably east Houston and east Harris County, benzene concentrations also exceed the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's (TCEQ) guidelines. This plan will improve air quality in the region by reducing the ambient air concentrations of benzene over a five-year period.

Background: Improvement of air quality in our region protects the health of our population and stimulates economic development. Over the last two decades, we have substantially reduced ground level ozone by identifying its causes and implementing strategies to control its precursors. Recently, reports from the TCEQ (1), EPA (2), Houston Mayor Bill White's Health Effects of Air Pollution Task Force (3), and Rice University/Houston Endowment, Inc. (4) indicate that, in the Houston area, ambient air concentrations of benzene are too high and must be reduced. This plan focuses on industrial point sources because they are the largest individual sources of benzene in the Houston area and contribute significantly to the unacceptably high levels of benzene in east Houston and east Harris County.

Mechanism: The City of Houston and other cooperating governmental, business, health, environmental and civic organizations will work with the largest emitters of benzene, who are identified in this plan. These sources will reduce their benzene emissions through enhancements to their facilities and operational practices to be accomplished on an agreed-to schedule over the next five years. Enhanced monitoring and accountability for reductions are components of the plan. To evaluate performance, we will track the concrete action of undertaken by facilities to reduce benzene emissions, the facilities' benzene emissions inventories, fence line monitoring data, and ambient air data.

Rationale: This Regional Benzene Reduction Plan for Major Sources is necessary because there is no legal or regulatory framework in place at the state or federal level to ensure that ambient levels of benzene in the neighborhoods in which we live and work, are maintained at healthful levels. Unlike ozone, fine particulate matter, carbon monoxide, lead, nitrogen dioxide, and sulfur oxides, there is no EPA designated National Ambient Air Quality Standard for benzene. The state of Texas has the authority to set standards for and to regulate ambient levels of benzene, as several other states have done, but the state has not done so to date. A regulatory structure that effectively limited the ambient level of benzene could result in significant consequences for industrial facilities, as have ozone standards. In the absence of a state or federal framework, which could be draconian, and outside of the adversarial context of costly litigation, the voluntary cooperation of the largest emitters of benzene is the most expedient mechanism for obtaining significant reductions in ambient levels of benzene over the next five years.

Note: This plan focuses on the reduction of benzene from major sources. The reduction strategies in this plan will simultaneously reduce emissions and/or ambient air concentrations of six additional air pollutants that pose definite health risks according to the Health Effects of Air Pollution Task Force: ozone, fine particles, diesel particulate matter, 1,3-butadiene, formaldehyde and acrolein.

Benzene Concentrations and Major Source Emissions

Sources, Uses, and Emissions of Benzene: Benzene is an important chemical feedstock and product in today's petrochemical industry. It is used as an industrial solvent and precursor in the production of drugs, plastics, synthetic rubber and dyes. Although benzene is a constituent of naturally occurring petroleum deposits, including crude oil and natural gas, it is typically produced from other compounds present in petroleum through chemical reaction processes such as steam cracking and catalytic reforming. According to the Association of Petrochemicals Producers in Europe (APPE), about 7.647 million tons of benzene were produced in North America in 2005.

In the petrochemical industry, benzene is primarily used as an intermediate product to make other chemicals. Styrene, phenol and cyclohexane, which are benzene derivatives, are used to make polymers, plastics, synthetic rubber, resins, adhesives, and Nylon. Benzene is also used as a solvent in printing and paints and to make certain, dyes, detergents, drugs, and explosives.

Benzene escapes from the petrochemical and refining process and enters the atmosphere through flares, tanks, transport pipes, loading and unloading facilities, cooling towers, wastewater treatment facilities, valves, flanges and other points. Given that benzene is a valuable commodity, its release is not only harmful to the health and the environment but also economically wasteful and unnecessary in the light of viable engineering technologies to recover and reuse hydrocarbons. In many cases, the expense of minimizing air emissions of benzene can be offset by product recovery.

Benzene Concentrations and Cancer Risks: Benzene is well established as a carcinogen. When benzene is present in the ambient air, people who breathe the air are at increased risk for developing cancer. In order to protect public health, the EPA establishes probability risks that describe the number of people per million of population who will develop cancer as a result of exposure to benzene at particular concentrations. The EPA's goal is that benzene should remain at or below the concentration level for which no more than one additional cancer case per 1,000,000 people will result. EPA expresses this probability risk as 1×10^{-6} . The benzene concentration corresponding to 1×10^{-6} is 0.14 ppb or 0.45 µg/m³. The TCEQ has set a less stringent risk threshold level of ten cancer cases per one million people, expressed as 1×10^{-5} , which corresponds to a concentration of 1.4 ppb or 4.5 µg/m³. The maps in Figures 1 and 2 show ambient air

concentrations of benzene and corresponding cancer risks by census tract for the Houston area.

Benzene Emissions from Mobile Sources:

Benzene is emitted from the tailpipes of automobiles, SUVs and light duty trucks. The current gasoline mixture in Houston contains less than 0.95% (according to 40 CFR 80.41) benzene by weight. Benzene is emitted as it evaporates from the fuel system and from incomplete combustion. Since the 2004 model year, automobiles, SUVs and light duty trucks are manufactured with the federal government's Tier 2 emission control system, which reduces benzene and other emissions through a combination of engine technology and cleaner fuels. This system will produce dramatic decreases in both volatile organic compound emissions, including benzene, and nitrogen oxides (NOx), as more older vehicles are retired and replaced with newer models. California requires a more stringent set of emission controls, which would further reduce ambient levels of benzene, other VOCs and NOx. The Texas Legislature is considering adoption of those standards this year and, if adopted, these standards will accelerate the process of reducing benzene emissions from vehicles.

A disproportionate amount of on-road emissions come from high emitting, older vehicles. The emissions testing program helps identify these vehicles at their annual inspections. Vehicles not passing the emissions test require repairs to improve their emissions profile in order to pass inspection. The state of Texas supports the cost of repair or replacement of these vehicles for income-qualified residents through the Low Income Repair Assistance Program (LIRAP). The inspection program, coupled with LIRAP, helps make sure that the current fleet stays as clean as possible. The Texas Legislature is considering enhancing the LIRAP program this year, and this will further help reduce benzene emissions.

Benzene Emissions from Industrial Sources: The largest emitters of benzene, as well as the largest number of benzene monitors, are located in the east Houston/east Harris County ship channel area. The map in Figure 3 shows the location of these emitters. According to the Texas Emissions Inventory, emissions of benzene from industrial sources are comprised as follows: wastewater (10%), cooling tower (6.5%), flares (13.3%), fugitive-not including cooling towers, wastewater or tanks (34%) and miscellaneous-loading, unloading, vents (36.1%) (Figure 4).

The facilities emitting the largest quantities of benzene within our region, as reported by the facilities to the TCEQ, are listed in Table 1. The facilities whose benzene emissions pose the greatest health risk because their concentrations result in exposure to people living in proximity to the facility, according to the EPA RSEI model, are listed in Table 2. The facilities that emit the highest levels of benzene *and* pose the greatest human health risks are listed in Table 3, and are the primary focus of this plan. Table 4 lists the remainder of the facilities from Tables 1 and 2, which will be addressed after those in Table 3.

Emission Reductions: Under this plan, facilities will commit to reduce their annual benzene emissions over a five-year period by undertaking the projects described in this plan, or other projects that yield similar or greater reductions. Benzene reductions by facility will be tracked using thee indicators:

- Emissions inventory: The facility's annual emissions inventory will be compared to the 2004 baseline inventory.
- Fence line monitoring: Facilities will install fence line monitors and will report benzene levels annually.
- Ambient air concentrations: Upwind/downwind intra-monitor concentrations will be tracked annually.

Specific benzene reduction strategies for each facility listed in Table 3 are set forth in proposed individual facility plans. These initial plans will be modified following input from sources and stakeholders and consideration will be given to benzene reduction efforts that are planned or have already been implemented by the identified benzene emitters, if the reduction strategies go above and beyond the existing applicable requirements. The following essential features should be in all plans:

- Improved benzene monitoring around the site. The improved benzene monitoring will be designed so that impact analyses can be conducted that consider the upwind and downwind ambient concentrations of benzene, wind directions, wind speeds and other benzene sources. The goal of the improved monitoring will be to measure a baseline emissions impact from the site and measure subsequent improvements resulting from emissions reduction efforts.
- Enhanced operational strategies to identify and reduce benzene emissions. These strategies and procedures should employ state of the art techniques, like the passive optical gas infrared imaging cameras, to find leaks and other significant benzene emissions sources.
- Upgraded facilities and equipment to reduce the impact of the most significant sources of benzene at the site. The significance of each benzene source will be evaluated using the improved monitoring and implemented operational strategies and procedures.
- Additional verification of reductions through ambient concentration trend tracking specific to a facility. The ambient benzene data from nearby autoGC monitors will be used to track the trend of benzene concentrations. The 2005 benzene data were divided by wind direction (concentrations measured at <2mph wind speed were eliminated). Boxplots indicate the up and down wind benzene profile at each site to establish the baseline. Verification of ambient benzene concentration trends will be statistically determined each quarter by the City of Houston's BAQC using a suite of appropriate statistical techniques (e.g., nonparametric Mann Kendall, Sen Slope estimator, proportion tests and difference between up and down wind profiles).

Rewards for Benzene Reductions: In return for reductions, these facilities will have the benefit of becoming an industrial benzene reduction partner to the community by establishing a *clean air legacy*. In addition, because industrial benzene reduction partners are voluntarily committing to stricter standards than those required by law, often

requiring additional expense, the City of Houston and other sponsoring organizations will:

- Show public appreciation and praise for benzene reduction partners
- Support participants in any enforcement actions brought by others arising out of benzene emissions, if the participant is complying in good faith with their emission reduction plan
- Give credit for participation in developing inspection priorities and advocate for the same with other agencies
- Provide the "Benzene Reduction Partner" award level logo for marketing materials.
- Provide assistance/guidance from BAQC staff in developing benzene reduction strategies.
- Provide New Source Review permit support.

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Regulated Entity		Nearest City,	
Name	SIC Code	County	(Annual TPY)
BP PRODUCTS	2011		
NORTH	2911-		
AMERICA	PETROLEUM	TEXAS CITY,	0.4.4
TEXAS CITY	REFINING	GALVESTON	86.675
EQUISTAR	2869-		
CHEMICALS LP,	INDUSTRIAL		
CHANNELVIEW	ORGANIC	CHANNELVIEW,	
COMPLEX	CHEMICALS	HARRIS	51.5511
EXXON MOBIL			
CHEMICAL	2869-		
BAYTOWN	INDUSTRIAL		
CHEMICAL	ORGANIC	BAYTOWN,	
PLANT	CHEMICALS	HARRIS	49.5266
LYONDELL	2911-		
HOUSTON	PETROLEUM	HOUSTON,	
REFINING LP	REFINING	HARRIS	41.7735
EXXON MOBIL	2869-		
CHEMICAL	INDUSTRIAL		
BAYTOWN	ORGANIC	BAYTOWN,	
OLEFINS PLANT	CHEMICALS	HARRIS	41.5693
	2911-		
SHELL OIL	PETROLEUM	DEER PARK,	
DEER PARK	REFINING	HARRIS	34.2546
	2869-		
DOW TEXAS	INDUSTRIAL		
OPERATIONS	ORGANIC	FREEPORT,	
FREEPORT	CHEMICALS	BRAZORIA	31.8008
EQUISTAR			22.0000
CHEMICALS	2869-		
CHOCOLATE	INDUSTRIAL		
BAYOU	ORGANIC	LIVERPOOL,	
COMPLEX	CHEMICALS	BRAZORIA	29.0378
	2869-		27.0010
LYONDELL	INDUSTRIAL		
CHEMICAL	ORGANIC	CHANNELVIEW,	
CHANNELVIEW	CHEMICALS	HARRIS	28.947
EXXON MOBIL	2911-		20.J+/
BAYTOWN	PETROLEUM	BAYTOWN,	
FACILITY	REFINING	HARRIS	26.105
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Table 1: This table lists the facilities, which emit the largest quantities of benzene in the 10 county region (reference: Texas Emission Inventory, 2004).

Regulated Entity		Nearest City,	2111, 10221, 2000).
Name	SIC Code	County	Risk Rank
LYONDELL	2911-	County	
HOUSTON	PETROLEUM	HOUSTON,	
REFINING LP	REFINING	HARRIS	1
EXXON MOBIL			-
CHEMICAL	2869-		
BAYTOWN	INDUSTRIAL		
CHEMICAL	ORGANIC	BAYTOWN,	
PLANT	CHEMICALS	HARRIS	2
EQUISTAR	2869-		
CHEMICALS LP,	INDUSTRIAL		
CHANNELVIEW	ORGANIC	CHANNELVIEW,	
COMPLEX	CHEMICALS	HARRIS	3
DOW			
CHEMICAL			
FORMERLY	2869-		
UNION	INDUSTRIAL		
CARBIDE	ORGANIC	TEXAS CITY,	
TEXAS CITY	CHEMICALS	GALVESTON	4
	2911-		
SHELL OIL	PETROLEUM	DEER PARK,	
DEER PARK	REFINING	HARRIS	5
MARATHON			
PETROLEUM-	2911-		
TEXAS CITY	PETROLEUM	TEXAS CITY,	
REFINERY	REFINING	GALVESTON	6
BP PRODUCTS			
NORTH	2911-		
AMERICA	PETROLEUM	TEXAS CITY,	
TEXAS CITY	REFINING	GALVESTON	7
	2865-CYCLIC		
GEORGIA GULF	ORGANIC		
CHEMICALS &	CRUDES AND	PASADENA,	
VINYLS LLC	INTERMEDIATES	HARRIS	8
EXXON MOBIL	2911-		
BAYTOWN	PETROLEUM	BAYTOWN,	
FACILITY	REFINING	HARRIS	9
	2869-		
LYONDELL	INDUSTRIAL		
CHEMICAL	ORGANIC	CHANNELVIEW,	
CHANNELVIEW	CHEMICALS	HARRIS	10

Table 2: This table lists the facilities, which pose the greatest human health risk from benzene air pollution exposure in the 10 county region (reference: EPA, RSEI, 2003).

Table 3: This table lists the facilities, which emit the largest quantities of benzene *and* pose the greatest human health risk from benzene air pollution exposure in the 10 county region (reference: EPA, RSEI, 2003).

			Total Benzene Emissions	Benzene
Regulated Entity		Nearest City,	(ANNUAL	Risk
Name	SIC Code	County	TPY)	Rank
BP PRODUCTS				
NORTH	2911-			
AMERICA	PETROLEUM	TEXAS CITY,		
TEXAS CITY	REFINING	GALVESTON	86.7	7
EQUISTAR	2869-			
CHEMICALS LP,	INDUSTRIAL			
CHANNELVIEW	ORGANIC	CHANNELVIEW,		
COMPLEX	CHEMICALS	HARRIS	51.6	3
EXXON MOBIL				
CHEMICAL	2869-			
BAYTOWN	INDUSTRIAL			
CHEMICAL	ORGANIC	BAYTOWN,		
PLANT	CHEMICALS	HARRIS	49.5	2
LYONDELL	2911-			
HOUSTON	PETROLEUM	HOUSTON,		
REFINING LP	REFINING	HARRIS	41.8	1
	2911-			
SHELL OIL	PETROLEUM	DEER PARK,		
DEER PARK	REFINING	HARRIS	34.3	5
	2869-			
LYONDELL	INDUSTRIAL			
CHEMICAL	ORGANIC	CHANNELVIEW,		
CHANNELVIEW	CHEMICALS	HARRIS	28.9	10
EXXON MOBIL	2911-			
BAYTOWN	PETROLEUM	BAYTOWN,		
FACILITY	REFINING	HARRIS	26.1	9

Table 4: This table lists the second tier of facilities that emit the largest quantities of benzene *and* pose the greatest human health risk from benzene air pollution exposure in the 10 county region (reference: EPA, RSEI, 2003).

			Total Benzene Emissions	Benzene
Regulated Entity			(ANNUAL	Risk
Name	SIC Code	County	TPY)	Rank
DOW CHEMICAL				
CO, PLANT B	2869	BRAZORIA	31.80	14
EQUISTAR,				
CHOCOLATE				
BAYOU CHEMICAL	2869	BRAZORIA	29.04	17
GEORGIA GULF				
CHEM & VINYLS				
LLC, PASADENA				
PLANT	2865	HARRIS	21.07	8
ROHM & HAAS				
TEXAS, DEER PARK				
PLANT	2869	HARRIS	18.69	11
STERLING				
CHEMICALS INC,				
TEXAS CITY PLANT	2869	GALVESTON	17.88	13
GOODYEAR TIRE				
AND RUBBER	2869	HARRIS	16.80	15
MARATHON				
PETROLEUM				
COMPANY LLC				
TEXAS CITY				
REFINERY	2911	GALVESTON	15.61	6

Figure 1: Benzene concentrations exceed the level corresponding to the acceptable cancer risk limit of 1 case in 1 million people (reference: EPA, National Air Toxic Assessment, 2006).

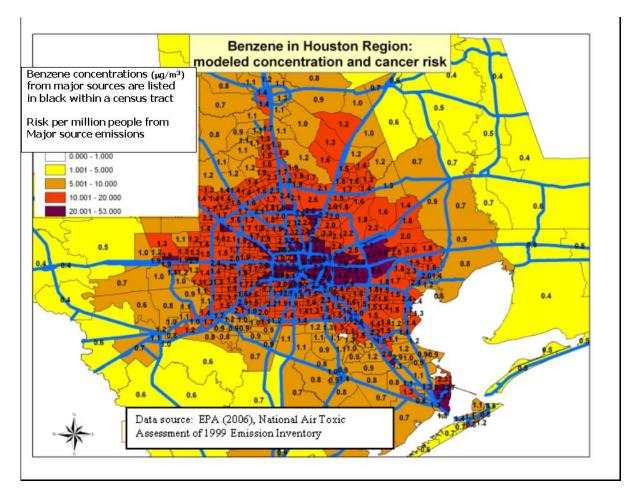


Figure 2: In a magnification of east Houston, the benzene risk, concentrations and general locations that exceed the TCEQ's benzene ESL are shown (reference: 2005 monitor data (TCEQ), National Air Toxic Assessment, EPA (2006)).

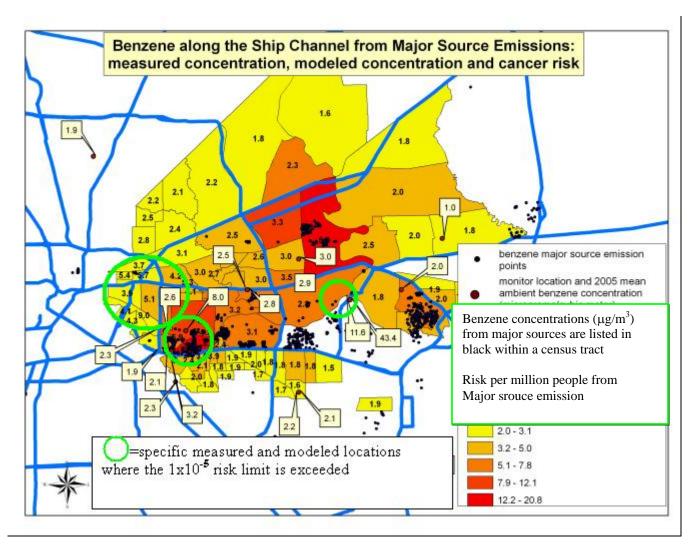
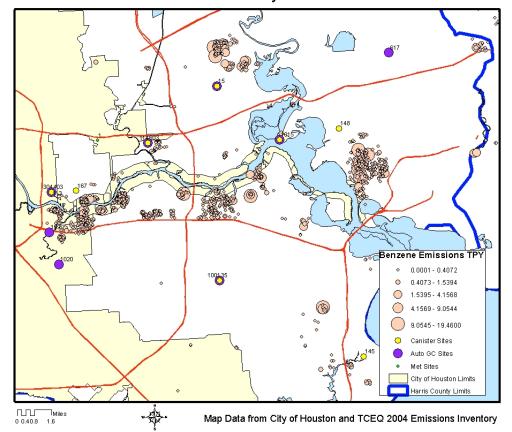
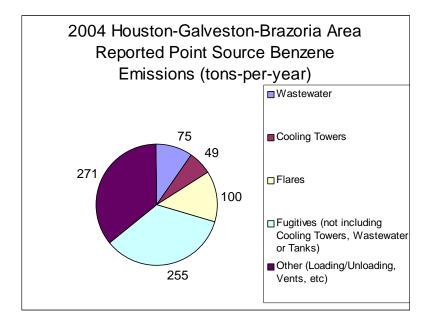


Figure 3: Benzene emission points and benzene air monitor locations in East Houston/East Harris County are shown.



East Houston/East Harris County-Benzene Emissions Points

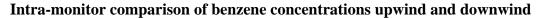
Figure 4: This pie chart shows the types and amounts of point source emissions in our area (reference: Texas Emission Inventory, 2004).

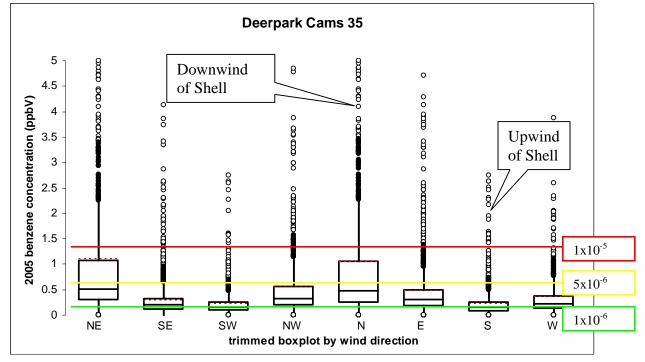


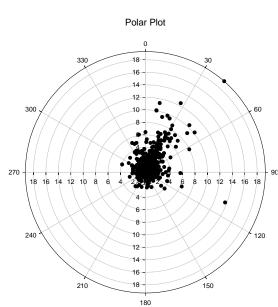
SHELL OIL DEER PARK

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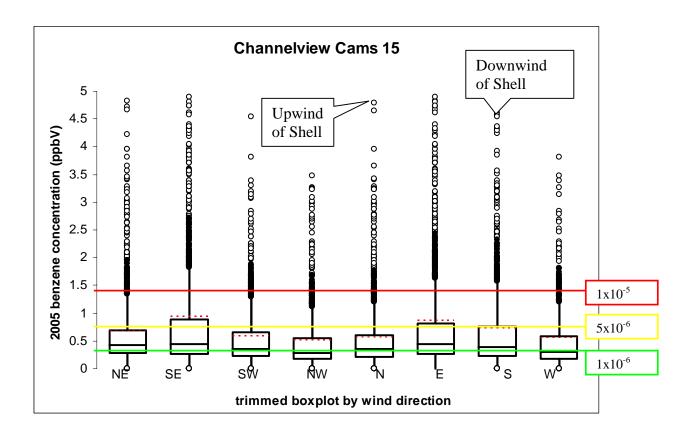
SIC Code: 2911-Petroleum Refining Nearest City, County: Deer Park, Harris Total Benzene Emission (TPY)= 34.3 Benzene Risk Rank in Region= 5

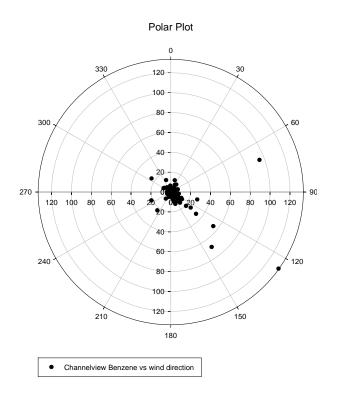






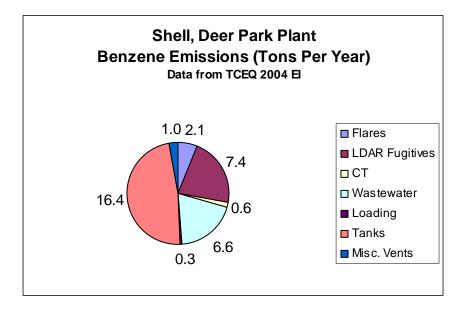
Deer Park Benzene vs wind direction





Site-specific Reduction Control Strategy:

The pie chart below indicates the benzene emission sources (tons/yr) as reported at this facility in the TCEQ 2004 Emission Inventory. The corresponding emission reduction plans for these sources are provided in the table.



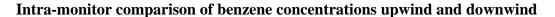
Year	Site-specific Plan: SHELL OIL DEER PARK		
	Flares		
2006	Develop a Flare Minimization Plan (FMP) to prevent flaring of gases containing benzene during normal operations and non-routine events. The FMP will include a schedule to implement flare gas recovery to prevent routine flaring, and a flaring reduction management system to address non-routine flaring events and to minimize routine flaring prior to implementation of the flare gas recovery system (see Appendix C).		
2011	Implement flare gas recovery systems to reduce flare emissions by 60-90%.		
	Tanks		
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on tanks, selecting the facilities for control based on measured benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the controls.		
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on tanks with benzene emissions.		
	Wastewater Collection and Treatment		
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on wastewater collection and treatment facilities, selecting the facilities for control based on measured benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the controls.		

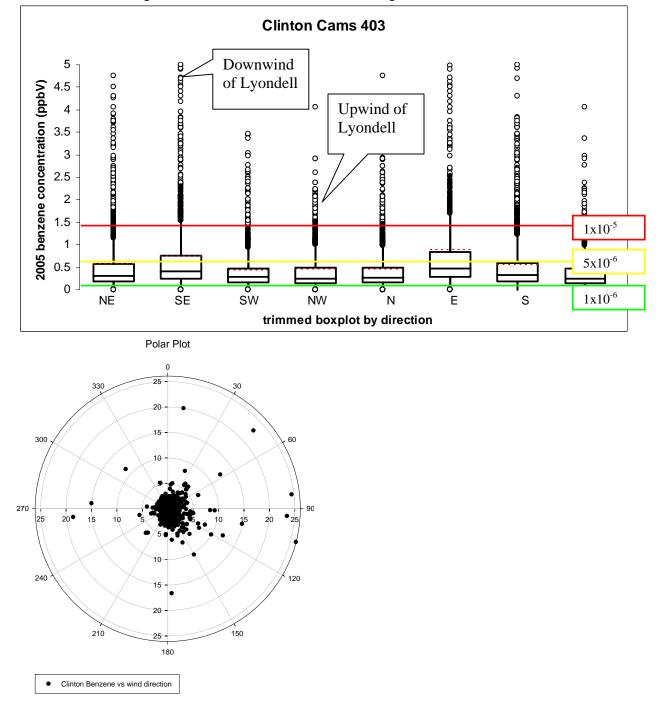
Year	Site-specific Plan: SHELL OIL DEER PARK
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on wastewater collection and treatment facilities.
	LDAR Fugitives
2007	Accept a 100-ppm leak threshold definition for monitored fugitive components that contain benzene, which are part of an existing leak detection and repair program and make first repair attempts within one day of leak detection for leaks from monitored fugitive components that contain benzene.
2007	Initiate an investigation to find and correct contributing conditions within four hours of measuring a significant net impact from the site. The significance threshold will depend on the baseline ambient monitoring data, and will be reduced over the five-year period as monitoring verifies reductions over time.
2008	Utilize a passive optical gas imaging instrument to perform startup and quarterly site-wide surveys of leak detection and repair program components, tanks, vents, wastewater collection and treatment facilities and loading and unloading operations. Leaks detected with the passive optical gas-imaging instrument must be confirmed with tradition leak detection methods (Method 21) and/or seal inspections, and the leaks must be corrected according to applicable leak repair time frames. If there is not an applicable leak repair time frame, a leak repair plan must be developed and implemented so that the leak will be repaired within a reasonable amount of time.
	Quantifiable and Verifiable Reductions: Monitoring
2008	Initiate monitoring at locations along or adjacent to the north and south or northwest and southeast property lines to verify emissions reductions and measure impacts.
2008	Make benzene monitoring data available through a web-based application (such as the TCEQ's monitoring data internal web page) and provide an automated email notification to the City of Houston when the hourly average net benzene impact from the site exceeds the current significance threshold.
2008	Submit an annual report to the City of Houston, within 60 days after the end of each calendar year in the five-year period. The annual report must include the estimated amount of benzene emissions that were reduced during the year compared to a designated baseline year as a result of participation, the estimated net annual average benzene impact from the site in ppb (through modeling and using the fence line monitoring data once fence line monitoring has been implemented), a description of projects implemented during the year, dates that each project was implemented and a schedule for each project that has not yet been implemented. If all required reductions have not been implemented by the end of the fourth year of the agreement, a final report will be due after one complete calendar year where no emissions reduction projects were implemented.

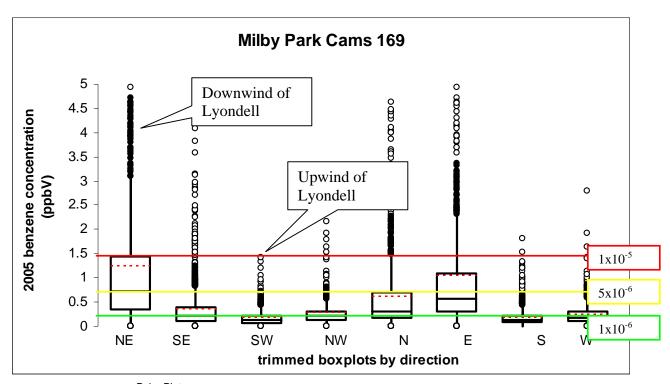
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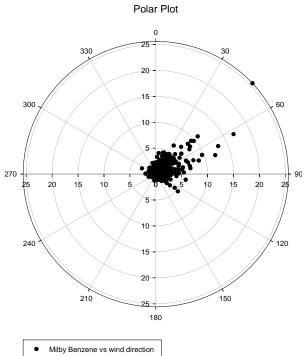
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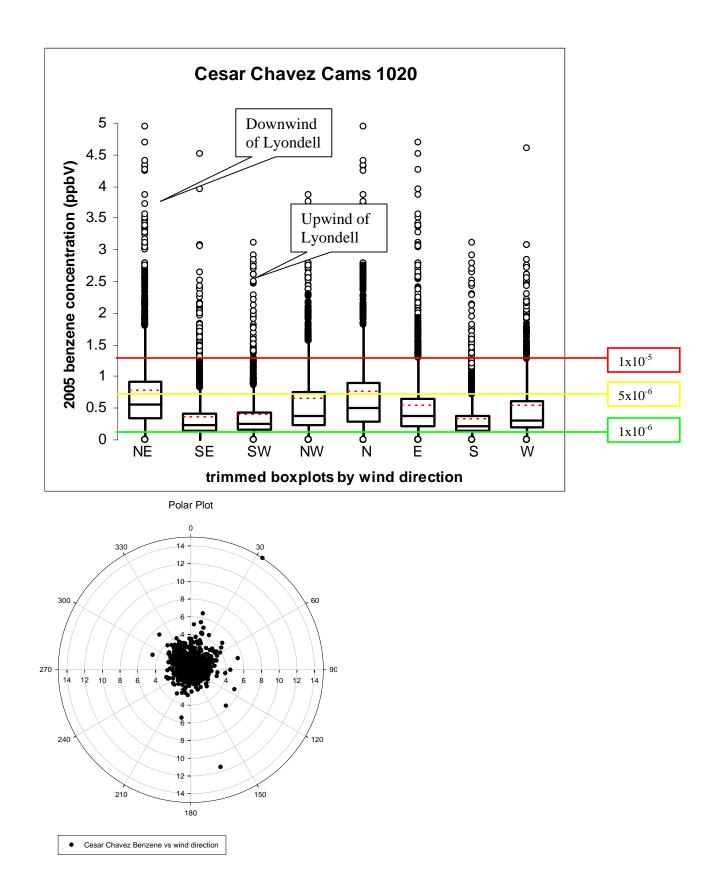
SIC Code: 2911-Petroleum Refining Nearest City, County: Houston, Harris Total Benzene Emission (TPY)= 41.8 Benzene Risk Rank in Region= 1





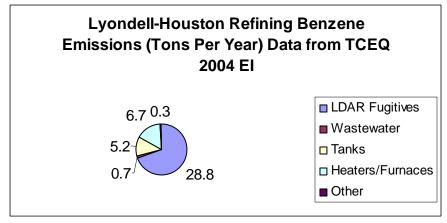






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Year	Site-specific Plan: LYONDELL HOUSTON REFINING LP		
	Heaters and Furnaces		
2006	Develop a Benzene Combustion Minimization Plan (BCMP) to prevent combustion of gases containing benzene during normal operations, by recovering benzene from fuel gas systems. The BCMP will include a schedule to implement the plan.		
2011	Implement BCMP to reduce benzene emissions from heaters and furnaces.		
	Tanks		
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on tanks, selecting the facilities for control based on measured benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the controls.		
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on tanks with benzene emissions.		
	LDAR Fugitive		
2007	Accept a 100-ppm leak threshold definition for monitored fugitive components that contain benzene, which are part of an existing leak detection and repair program and make first repair attempts within one day of leak detection for leaks from monitored fugitive components that contain benzene.		
2007	Initiate an investigation to find and correct contributing conditions within four hours of measuring a significant net impact from the site. The significance threshold will depend on the baseline ambient monitoring data, and will be reduced over the five year period as monitoring verifies reductions over time.		

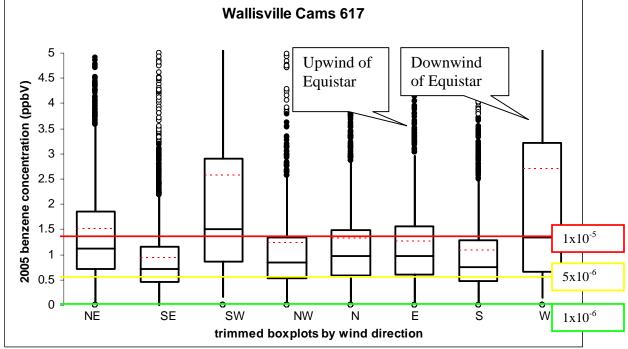
Year	Site-specific Plan: LYONDELL HOUSTON REFINING LP
2008	Utilize a passive optical gas imaging instrument to perform startup and
	quarterly site-wide surveys of leak detection and repair program components,
	tanks, vents, wastewater collection and treatment facilities and loading and
	unloading operations. Leaks detected with the passive optical gas-imaging
	instrument must be confirmed with tradition leak detection methods (Method
	21) and/or seal inspections, and the leaks must be corrected according to
	applicable leak repair time frames. If there is not an applicable leak repair time
	frame, a leak repair plan must be developed and implemented so that the leak
	will be repaired within a reasonable amount of time.
	Quantifiable and Verifiable Reductions: Monitoring
2008	Initiate monitoring at locations along or adjacent to the north and south or
	northwest and southeast property lines to verify emissions reductions and
	measure impacts.
2008	Make benzene monitoring data available through a web-based application (such
	as the TCEQ's monitoring data internal web page) and provide an automated
	email notification to the City of Houston when the hourly average net benzene
	impact from the site exceeds the current significance threshold.
2008	Submit an annual report to the City of Houston, within 60 days after the end of
	each calendar year in the five-year period. The annual report must include the
	estimated amount of benzene emissions that were reduced during the year
	compared to a designated baseline year as a result of participation, the estimated
	net annual average benzene impact from the site in ppb (through modeling and
	using the fence line monitoring data once fence line monitoring has been
	implemented), a description of projects implemented during the year, dates that
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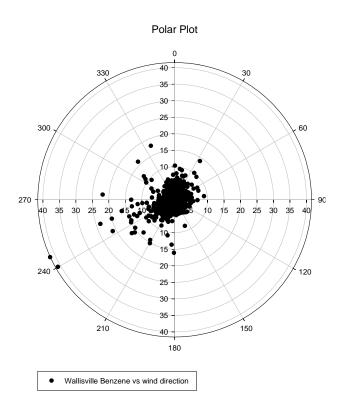
EQUISTAR CHEMICALS LP, CHANNELVIEW COMPLEX

EQUISTAR CHEMICALS LP, CHANNELVIEW COMPLEX

SIC Code: 2869-Indusrtial Organic Chemicals Nearest City, County: Channelview, Harris Total Benzene Emission (TPY)= 51.6 Benzene Risk Rank in Region= 3

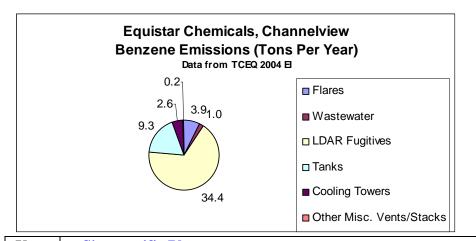






Site-specific Reduction Control Strategy:

The pie chart below indicates the benzene emission sources (tons/yr) as reported at this facility in the TCEQ 2004 Emission Inventory. The corresponding emission reduction plans for these sources are provided in the table.



Year	Site-specific Plan: EQUISTAR CHEMICALS LP, CHANNELVIEW COMPLEX			
Flares				
2006	Develop a Flare Minimization Plan (FMP) to prevent flaring of gases			
	containing benzene during normal operations and non-routine events. The FMP			
	will include a schedule to implement flare gas recovery to prevent routine			
	flaring, and a flaring reduction management system to address non-routine			
	flaring events and to minimize routine flaring prior to implementation of the			
	flare gas recovery system (see Appendix C).			
2011	Implement flare gas recovery systems to reduce flare emissions by 60-90%.			
	Cooling Towers			
2007	Utilize cooling tower monitoring equipment similar to the monitoring			
	equipment required by the HRVOC rules (30 TAC 115.764), to monitor for			
	benzene in the cooling water. Initiate efforts to find leaking heat exchangers			
	within 24 hours of discovering emissions of benzene from site cooling towers,			
	when monitoring indicates significant benzene emissions from the cooling			
	tower. Correct leaks found within 48 hours of discovery, unless leak repairs will			
	cause more emissions than waiting until the next scheduled shutdown.			
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	LDAR Fugitives			
2007	Accept a 100-ppm leak threshold definition for monitored fugitive components			
	that contain benzene, which are part of an existing leak detection and repair			
	program and make first repair attempts within one day of leak detection for			
	leaks from monitored fugitive components that contain benzene.			
2007	Initiate an investigation to find and correct contributing conditions within four			
	hours of measuring a significant net impact from the site. The significance			
	threshold will depend on the baseline ambient monitoring data, and will be			
	reduced over the five year period as monitoring verifies reductions over time.			

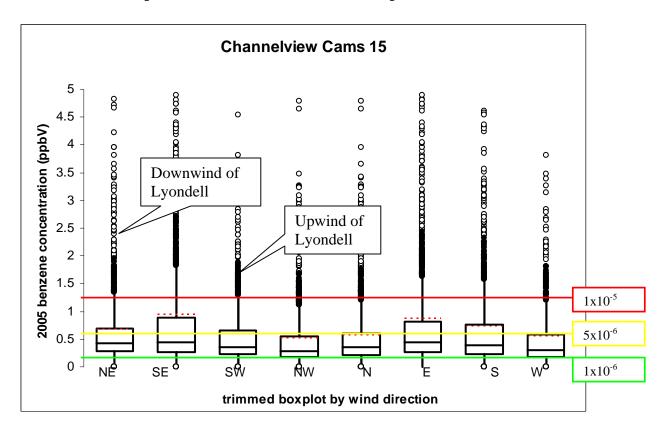
Year	Site-specific Plan: EQUISTAR CHEMICALS LP, CHANNELVIEW COMPLEX
2008	Utilize a passive optical gas imaging instrument to perform startup and
	quarterly site-wide surveys of leak detection and repair program components,
	tanks, vents, wastewater collection and treatment facilities and loading and
	unloading operations. Leaks detected with the passive optical gas-imaging
	instrument must be confirmed with tradition leak detection methods (Method
	21) and/or seal inspections, and the leaks must be corrected according to
	applicable leak repair time frames. If there is not an applicable leak repair time
	frame, a leak repair plan must be developed and implemented so that the leak
	will be repaired within a reasonable amount of time.
	Quantifiable and Verifiable Reductions: Monitoring
2008	Initiate monitoring at locations along or adjacent to the north and south or
	northwest and southeast property lines to verify emissions reductions and
	measure impacts.
2008	Make benzene monitoring data available through a web-based application (such
	as the TCEQ's monitoring data internal web page) and provide an automated
	email notification to the City of Houston when the hourly average net benzene
	impact from the site exceeds the current significance threshold.
2008	Submit an annual report to the City of Houston, within 60 days after the end of
	each calendar year in the five-year period. The annual report must include the
	estimated amount of benzene emissions that were reduced during the year
	compared to a designated baseline year as a result of participation, the estimated
	net annual average benzene impact from the site in ppb (through modeling and
	using the fence line monitoring data once fence line monitoring has been
	implemented), a description of projects implemented during the year, dates that
	each project was implemented and a schedule for each project that has not yet
	been implemented. If all required reductions have not been implemented by the
	end of the fourth year of the agreement, a final report will be due after one
	complete calendar year where no emissions reduction projects were
	implemented.
200-	Tanks
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on tanks, selecting the facilities for
	control based on measured benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the
	controls.
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on tanks with benzene emissions.
	Wastewater Collection and Treatment
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on wastewater collection and
	treatment facilities, selecting the facilities for control based on measured
	benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the controls.
2010	
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on wastewater collection and treatment facilities.

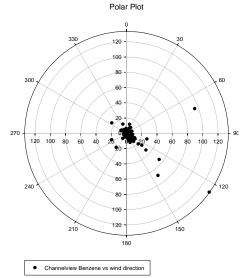
LYONDELL CHEMICAL CHANNELVIEW

LYONDELL CHEMICAL CHANNELVIEW

SIC Code: 2869-Industrial Organic Chemicals Nearest City, County: Channelview, Harris Total Benzene Emission (TPY)= 28.9 Benzene Risk Rank in Region= 10

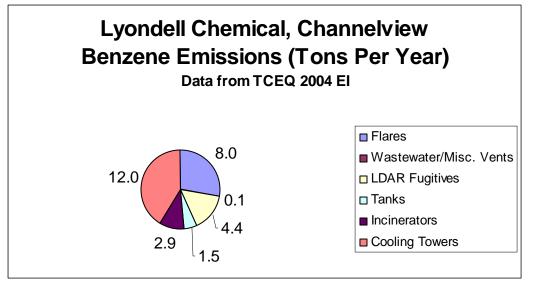
Intra-monitor comparison of benzene concentrations upwind and downwind





Site-specific Reduction Control Strategy:

The pie chart below indicates the benzene emission sources (tons/yr) as reported at this facility in the TCEQ 2004 Emission Inventory. The corresponding emission reduction plans for these sources are provided in the table.



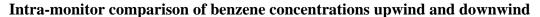
Year	Site-specific Plan: LYONDELL CHEMICAL CHANNELVIEW		
	Flares/Incinerators		
2006	Develop a Flare Minimization Plan (FMP) to prevent flaring and incineration of		
	gases containing benzene during normal operations and non-routine events. The		
	FMP will include a schedule to implement flare gas recovery to prevent routine		
	flaring, and a flaring reduction management system to address non-routine		
	flaring events and to minimize routine flaring prior to implementation of the		
	flare gas recovery system (see Appendix C).		
2011	Implement flare gas recovery systems to reduce flare and incinerator emissions		
	by 60-90%.		
	Cooling Towers		
2007	Utilize cooling tower monitoring equipment similar to the monitoring		
	equipment required by the HRVOC rules (30 TAC 115.764), to monitor for		
	benzene in the cooling water. Initiate efforts to find leaking heat exchangers		
	within 24 hours of discovering emissions of benzene from site cooling towers,		
	when monitoring indicates significant benzene emissions from the cooling		
	tower. Correct leaks found within 48 hours of discovery, unless leak repairs will		
	cause more emissions than waiting until the next scheduled shutdown.		
	LDAR Fugitive		
2007	Accept a 100-ppm leak threshold definition for monitored fugitive components		
	that contain benzene, which are part of an existing leak detection and repair		
	program and make first repair attempts within one day of leak detection for		
	leaks from monitored fugitive components that contain benzene.		

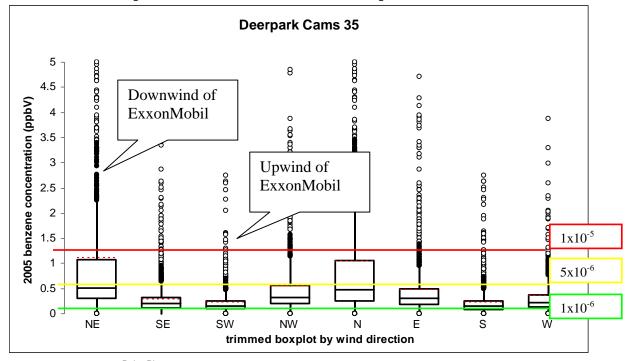
Year	Site-specific Plan: LYONDELL CHEMICAL CHANNELVIEW		
2007	Initiate an investigation to find and correct contributing conditions within four		
	hours of measuring a significant net impact from the site. The significance		
	threshold will depend on the baseline ambient monitoring data, and will be		
• • • • •	reduced over the five year period as monitoring verifies reductions over time.		
2008	Utilize a passive optical gas imaging instrument to perform startup and		
	quarterly site-wide surveys of leak detection and repair program components,		
	tanks, vents, wastewater collection and treatment facilities and loading and		
	unloading operations. Leaks detected with the passive optical gas-imaging		
	instrument must be confirmed with tradition leak detection methods (Method 21) and/or seal inspections, and the leaks must be corrected according to		
	applicable leak repair time frames. If there is not an applicable leak repair time		
	frame, a leak repair plan must be developed and implemented so that the leak		
	will be repaired within a reasonable amount of time.		
	Quantifiable and Verifiable Reductions: Monitoring		
2008	Initiate monitoring at locations along or adjacent to the north and south or		
	northwest and southeast property lines to verify emissions reductions and		
	measure impacts.		
2008	Make benzene monitoring data available through a web-based application (such		
	as the TCEQ's monitoring data internal web page) and provide an automated		
	email notification to the City of Houston when the hourly average net benzene		
	impact from the site exceeds the current significance threshold.		
2008	Submit an annual report to the City of Houston, within 60 days after the end of		
	each calendar year in the five-year period. The annual report must include the		
	estimated amount of benzene emissions that were reduced during the year		
	compared to a designated baseline year as a result of participation, the estimated		
	net annual average benzene impact from the site in ppb (through modeling and		
	using the fence line monitoring data once fence line monitoring has been		
	implemented), a description of projects implemented during the year, dates that		
	each project was implemented and a schedule for each project that has not yet		
	been implemented. If all required reductions have not been implemented by the and of the fourth war of the agreement a final report will be due after one		
	end of the fourth year of the agreement, a final report will be due after one complete calendar year where no emissions reduction projects were		
	implemented.		
	Tanks		
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on tanks, selecting the facilities for		
	control based on measured benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the		
	controls.		
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on tanks with benzene emissions.		
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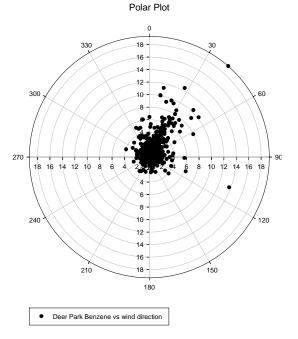
EXXON MOBIL CHEMICAL BAYTOWN CHEMICAL PLANT

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SIC Code: 2869-Industrial Organic Chemicals Nearest City, County: Baytown, Harris Total Benzene Emission (TPY)= 49.5 Benzene Risk Rank in Region= 2

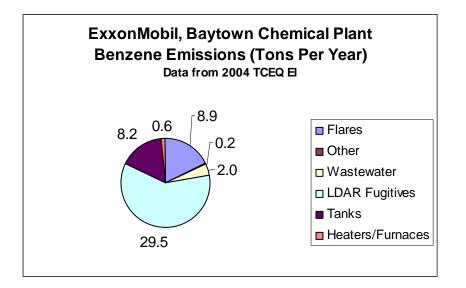






Site-specific Reduction Control Strategy:

The pie chart below indicates the benzene emission sources (tons/yr) as reported at this facility in the TCEQ 2004 Emission Inventory. The corresponding emission reduction plans for these sources are provided in the table.



Year	Site-specific Plan: EXXON MOBIL CHEMICAL BAYTOWN CHEMICAL PLANT	
Flares		
2006	Develop a Flare Minimization Plan (FMP) to prevent flaring of gases	
	containing benzene during normal operations and non-routine events. The FMP	
	will include a schedule to implement flare gas recovery to prevent routine	
	flaring, and a flaring reduction management system to address non-routine	
	flaring events and to minimize routine flaring prior to implementation of the	
	flare gas recovery system (see Appendix C).	
2011	Implement flare gas recovery systems to reduce flare emissions by 60-90%.	
	Wastewater Collection and Treatment	
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on wastewater collection and	
	treatment facilities, selecting the facilities for control based on measured	
	benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the controls.	
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on wastewater collection and	
	treatment facilities.	
	LDAR Fugitives	
2007		
2007	Accept a 100-ppm leak threshold definition for monitored fugitive components	
	that contain benzene, which are part of an existing leak detection and repair	
	program and make first repair attempts within one day of leak detection for	
	leaks from monitored fugitive components that contain benzene.	

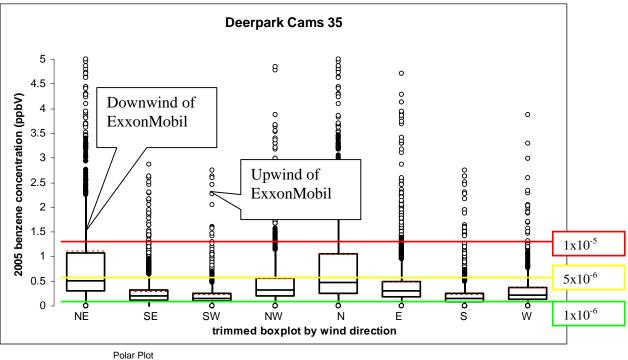
Year	Site-specific Plan: EXXON MOBIL CHEMICAL BAYTOWN CHEMICAL PLANT		
2007	Initiate an investigation to find and correct contributing conditions within four hours of measuring a significant net impact from the site. The significance		
	threshold will depend on the baseline ambient monitoring data, and will be		
	reduced over the five year period as monitoring verifies reductions over time.		
2008	Utilize a passive optical gas imaging instrument to perform startup and		
	quarterly site-wide surveys of leak detection and repair program components,		
	tanks, vents, wastewater collection and treatment facilities and loading and		
	unloading operations. Leaks detected with the passive optical gas-imaging		
	instrument must be confirmed with tradition leak detection methods (Method		
	21) and/or seal inspections, and the leaks must be corrected according to		
	applicable leak repair time frames. If there is not an applicable leak repair time		
	frame, a leak repair plan must be developed and implemented so that the leak		
	will be repaired within a reasonable amount of time.		
	Quantifiable and Verifiable Reductions: Monitoring		
2008	Initiate monitoring at locations along or adjacent to the north and south or		
	northwest and southeast property lines to verify emissions reductions and		
2000	measure impacts.		
2008	Make benzene monitoring data available through a web-based application (such		
	as the TCEQ's monitoring data internal web page) and provide an automated email notification to the City of Houston when the hourly average net benzene		
	impact from the site exceeds the current significance threshold.		
2008	Submit an annual report to the City of Houston, within 60 days after the end of		
	each calendar year in the five-year period. The annual report must include the		
	estimated amount of benzene emissions that were reduced during the year		
	compared to a designated baseline year as a result of participation, the estimated		
	net annual average benzene impact from the site in ppb (through modeling and		
	using the fence line monitoring data once fence line monitoring has been		
	implemented), a description of projects implemented during the year, dates that		
	each project was implemented and a schedule for each project that has not yet		
	been implemented. If all required reductions have not been implemented by the		
	end of the fourth year of the agreement, a final report will be due after one		
	complete calendar year where no emissions reduction projects were implemented.		
	Tanks		
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on tanks, selecting the facilities for		
	control based on measured benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the		
	controls.		
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on tanks with benzene emissions.		

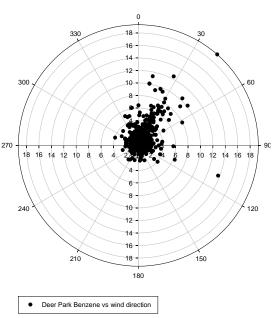
EXXON MOBIL BAYTOWN FACILITY

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SIC Code: 2911-Petroleum Refining Nearest City, County: Baytown, Harris Total Benzene Emission (TPY)= 26.1 Benzene Risk Rank in Region= 9

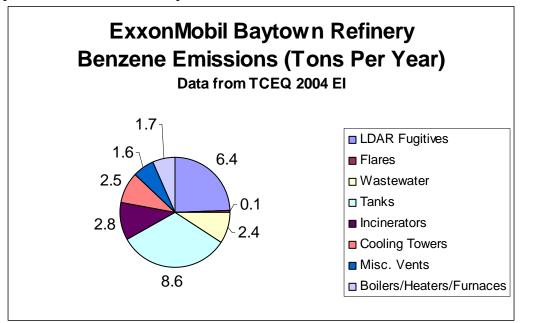
Intra-monitor comparison of benzene concentrations upwind and downwind





Site-specific Reduction Control Strategy:

The pie chart below indicates the benzene emission sources (tons/yr) as reported at this facility in the TCEQ 2004 Emission Inventory. The corresponding emission reduction plans for these sources are provided in the table.



Year	Site-specific Plan: EXXON MOBIL BAYTOWN FACILITY		
	Incinerators/Boilers and Heaters		
2006	Develop a Benzene Combustion Minimization Plan (BCMP) to prevent		
	combustion of gases containing benzene during normal operations, by		
	recovering benzene from fuel gas systems. The BCMP will include a schedule		
	to implement the plan.		
2011	Implement BCMP to reduce benzene emissions from incinerators, heaters and		
	boilers.		
	Cooling Towers		
2007	Utilize cooling tower monitoring equipment similar to the monitoring		
	equipment required by the HRVOC rules (30 TAC 115.764), to monitor for		
	benzene in the cooling water. Initiate efforts to find leaking heat exchangers		
	within 24 hours of discovering emissions of benzene from site cooling towers,		
	when monitoring indicates significant benzene emissions from the cooling		
	tower. Correct leaks found within 48 hours of discovery, unless leak repairs will		
	cause more emissions than waiting until the next scheduled shutdown.		
LDAR Fugitives			

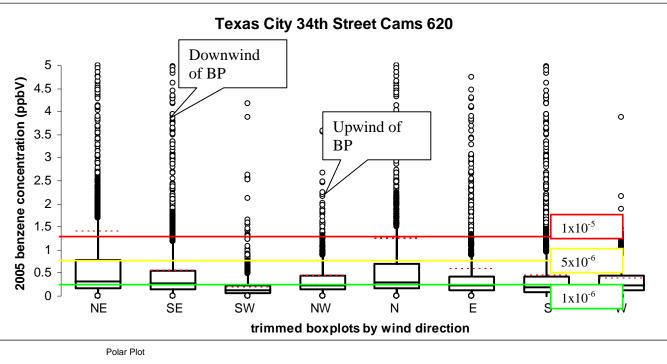
Year	Site-specific Plan: EXXON MOBIL BAYTOWN FACILITY	
2007	Accept a 100-ppm leak threshold definition for monitored fugitive components that contain benzene, which are part of an existing leak detection and repair program and make first repair attempts within one day of leak detection for	
	leaks from monitored fugitive components that contain benzene.	
2007	Initiate an investigation to find and correct contributing conditions within four hours of measuring a significant net impact from the site. The significance threshold will depend on the baseline ambient monitoring data, and will be reduced over the five year period as monitoring verifies reductions over time.	
2008	Utilize a passive optical gas imaging instrument to perform startup and quarterly site-wide surveys of leak detection and repair program components, tanks, vents, wastewater collection and treatment facilities and loading and unloading operations. Leaks detected with the passive optical gas-imaging instrument must be confirmed with tradition leak detection methods (Method 21) and/or seal inspections, and the leaks must be corrected according to applicable leak repair time frames. If there is not an applicable leak repair time frame, a leak repair plan must be developed and implemented so that the leak will be repaired within a reasonable amount of time.	
	Quantifiable and Verifiable Reductions: Monitoring	
2008	Initiate monitoring at locations along or adjacent to the north and south or northwest and southeast property lines to verify emissions reductions and measure impacts.	
2008	Make benzene monitoring data available through a web-based application (such as the TCEQ's monitoring data internal web page) and provide an automated email notification to the City of Houston when the hourly average net benzene impact from the site exceeds the current significance threshold.	
2008	Submit an annual report to the City of Houston, within 60 days after the end of each calendar year in the five-year period. The annual report must include the estimated amount of benzene emissions that were reduced during the year compared to a designated baseline year as a result of participation, the estimated net annual average benzene impact from the site in ppb (through modeling and using the fence line monitoring data once fence line monitoring has been implemented), a description of projects implemented during the year, dates that each project was implemented and a schedule for each project that has not yet been implemented. If all required reductions have not been implemented by the end of the fourth year of the agreement, a final report will be due after one complete calendar year where no emissions reduction projects were implemented.	
	Tanks	
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on tanks, selecting the facilities for control based on measured benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the controls.	
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on tanks with benzene emissions.	
Misc. Vents		
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on miscellaneous vents, selecting	

Year	Site-specific Plan: EXXON MOBIL BAYTOWN FACILITY	
	the vents for control based on measured benzene emissions impacts and the	
	feasibility of the controls.	
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on vents with benzene emissions.	
	Wastewater Collection and Treatment	
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on wastewater collection and treatment facilities, selecting the facilities for control based on measured benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the controls.	
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on wastewater collection and treatment facilities.	

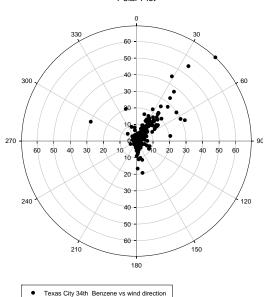
BP PRODUCTS NORTH AMERICA TEXAS CITY

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SIC Code: 2911-Petroleum Refining Nearest City, County: Texas City, Galveston Total Benzene Emission (TPY)= 86.7 Benzene Risk Rank in Region= 7

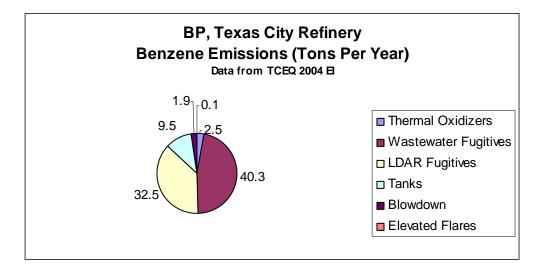


Intra-monitor comparison of benzene concentrations upwind and downwind



Site-specific Reduction Control Strategy:

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Year	Site-specific Plan: BP PRODUCTS NORTH AMERICA TEXAS CITY
Flares	
2007	Develop a Flare Minimization Plan (FMP) to prevent thermal oxidizer
	combustion of gases containing benzene during normal operations and non-
	routine events. The FMP will include a schedule to implement flare gas
	recovery to prevent routine flaring, and a flaring reduction management system
	to address non-routine flaring events and to minimize routine flaring prior to
	implementation of the flare gas recovery system (see Appendix C).
2011	Implement flare gas recovery systems to reduce flare emissions by 60-90%.
	Wastewater Collection and Treatment
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on wastewater collection and
	treatment facilities, selecting the facilities for control based on measured
	benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the controls.
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on wastewater collection and
	treatment facilities.
	LDAR Fugitives
2007	Accept a 100-ppm leak threshold definition for monitored fugitive components
	that contain benzene, which are part of an existing leak detection and repair
	program and make first repair attempts within one day of leak detection for
	leaks from monitored fugitive components that contain benzene.

Year	Site-specific Plan: BP PRODUCTS NORTH AMERICA TEXAS CITY
2007	Initiate an investigation to find and correct contributing conditions within four hours of measuring a significant net impact from the site. The significance threshold will depend on the baseline ambient monitoring data, and will be
	reduced over the five year period as monitoring verifies reductions over time.
2008	Utilize a passive optical gas imaging instrument to perform startup and quarterly site-wide surveys of leak detection and repair program components, tanks, vents, wastewater collection and treatment facilities and loading and
	unloading operations. Leaks detected with the passive optical gas-imaging instrument must be confirmed with tradition leak detection methods (Method 21) and (an application of the backs are stated as a stated a
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2008	Initiate monitoring at locations along or adjacent to the north and south or
2000	northwest and southeast property lines to verify emissions reductions and measure impacts.
2008	Make benzene monitoring data available through a web-based application (such as the TCEQ's monitoring data internal web page) and provide an automated email notification to the City of Houston when the hourly average net benzene impact from the site exceeds the current significance threshold.
2008	Submit an annual report to the City of Houston, within 60 days after the end of each calendar year in the five-year period. The annual report must include the estimated amount of benzene emissions that were reduced during the year compared to a designated baseline year as a result of participation, the estimated net annual average benzene impact from the site in ppb (through modeling and using the fence line monitoring data once fence line monitoring has been implemented), a description of projects implemented during the year, dates that each project was implemented and a schedule for each project that has not yet been implemented. If all required reductions have not been implemented by the end of the fourth year of the agreement, a final report will be due after one complete calendar year where no emissions reduction projects were implemented.
2007	Tanks
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on tanks, selecting the facilities for control based on measured benzene emissions impacts and the feasibility of the controls.
2010	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on tanks with benzene emissions.
	Blowdown Maintenance Vent Emissions
2007	Develop a plan to upgrade or install controls on blowdown vents with benzene emissions.
2009	Implement plans to upgrade or install controls on blowdown vents with benzene emissions.