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From: Katsumi Keeler
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To: Ben Shaw
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Ben, regarding the Venoco inspection today, Yasmine and I inspected the site and our most significant finding was that the source is venting about 230 mcf/d of off-gases into the atmosphere. The outlet of the vent stack is pretty high, maybe 80 to 100 feet above grade. However, this stack is located adjacent to an athletic field on Beverly Hills High School property. We observed children playing within about 100 feet of the stack.

Yasmine issued NC C-84123 for Rule 206. I highly suspect a violation of Rule 1173 due to a leak in a gas line below grade.

Recommendations:

1. Sample vent line, particularly for BTXs and percent VOC.
2. Perform follow-up Rule 1173 inspection.
3. Coordinate with Rudy Eden and Sam Atwood. This is very important. There was practically no coordination out there today. We don't know why compliance was sent out there (Were there complaints? If so, about what?). Where were the ambient air samples taken? What was the wind direction and speed at the time the samples were taken? Etc.