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Exide's Vernon battery recycling facility is one of only two recycling facilities west of the Rocky Mountains recycling transportation and industrial batteries. When fully operational, the facility employs more than 130 people from in and around the Vernon area and recycles as many as 25,000 batteries per day.

The Vernon facility is not currently operating while Exide installs additional technology to comply with strict new California regulations. The Company remains committed to providing the public information and engaging the community during the enhancement process and beyond. The Vernon monthly update is meant to provide community members and other involved or interested parties with current information on planned and ongoing facility activities. The update will be published on a monthly basis.

August Vernon Facility Update

- The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) hired an independent, third party monitor to oversee and report on enhancement activities at Exide's Vernon facility.
- As part of the thorough process required to gain permits for facility enhancement construction, Exide developed and submitted extensive information, analysis, and potential environmental impacts to SCAQMD.
- After submittal of the information analyzing potential environmental impacts, Exide received, reviewed, and responded to draft permits from SCAQMD for facility enhancement construction.
- Exide submitted application documentation for a permanent permit to the Department of Toxic Substances Control for consideration.
- Exide completed clean-up of soil in the yards of two homes north of its Vernon facility.
- Exide began expanded sampling of soil in additional areas North and South of its Vernon facility.
- Exide continued its work with and support for community non-profits.
- Exide launched an extensive community engagement program, hosting more than 15 open houses, including tours of the facility.
- Exide met with and briefed the Vernon Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors at its Vernon facility.
- Exide led a comprehensive environmental health and safety training course for its workforce.