



Office of Criminal Enforcement, Forensics and Training
September 30, 2006

DEFENDANT: Behzad Kahoolyzadeh
C.D. California CR02-1089-AK

FACTS: AAD was one of the largest handlers of dry cleaning waste in California until it was shut down in January 2001. Kahoolyzadeh was associated with AAD, which is based in Vernon, CA. The company charged dry cleaners to pick up, treat and arrange for the disposal of a hazardous dry cleaning compound known as PERC, a cancer-causing chemical that is the number one contaminant of groundwater in Southern California. In order to hide permit violations from city and state inspectors, Kahoolyzadeh and his partners conspired to load drums filled with PERC waste onto trucks before inspections, ship them off-site and then store them at other facilities that were not permitted to store hazardous wastes. The manifests for these shipments were falsified to conceal these illegal shipments.

DATE: 10/10/2002 The defendant was charged with conspiracy, a violation of 18 U.S.C. 371; and RCRA violations {42 U.S.C. 6928(d)(2)(B) - illegal storage of hazardous waste; 42 U.S.C. 6928(d)(1) - illegal transportation of hazardous waste; 42 U.S.C. 6928(d)(5) - transportation of hazardous waste without a manifest and 42 U.S.C. 6928(d)(2)(A) - storage of hazardous waste without a permit}.

STATUTE: 18 U.S.C. 371, 42 U.S.C. 6928(d)(1), 42 U.S.C. 6928(d)(2)(A), 42 U.S.C. 6928(d)(2)(B), 42 U.S.C. 6928(d)(5)

DATE: 03/04/2004 The defendant pled to the charges against him.

DATE: 01/24/2006 Kahoolyzadeh was sentenced to 37 months incarceration, 36 months probation and ordered to pay \$1.29 million in cleanup costs. This defendant is held jointly and severally liable for the restitution with the defendant in a related case from FY2004.