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## **DPNR INVESTIGATING FOUL ODOR IN F'STED**

Commissioner Jean-Pierre L. Oriol of the Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR) is advising the community that the department is aware of a foul, gaseous smell permeating through-out the Frederiksted area for the past few days.

DPNR's Air Quality Management Program staff has responded to citizen's complaints and has discovered that the Limetree Bay Refinery is experiencing an exceedance of Hydrogen sulfide.

DPNR is advising the public that persons with respiratory ailments such as allergies, lung disease, and asthma should consider taking protective actions. Protective actions include staying indoors or relocating to areas less affected.

DPNR will continue to monitor this situation and advise the community accordingly. If you have any questions or concerns, please call (340) 773-1082 ext. 2252