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*The Environment Department's mission is to protect and restore the environment and to foster a healthy and prosperous New Mexico for present and future generations.*

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### **State issues administrative compliance order to Brothers Plating Co. for alleged hazardous waste violations**

*Order includes civil penalty of \$250,000*

**LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE** — The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) issued an [administrative compliance order](#) to Brothers Plating Co., Inc. (Brothers Plating), for alleged violations of state and federal hazardous waste laws.

NMED discovered 17 extensive violations at the Brothers Plating facility located at 6817 4<sup>th</sup> Street NW in Los Ranchos de Albuquerque during routine compliance inspections in July, September and November of 2019. The violations include: releases to the environment of cadmium-laden wastes, storing hazardous wastes without a permit, failing to properly identify wastes and/or maintain documentation and failing to train employees.

To date, Brothers Plating has not adequately addressed the violations. The administrative compliance order requires Brothers Plating to correct the violations, including cleaning up the cadmium release, as well as pay a civil penalty of \$250,273.

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