BOARD MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 5, 2021 AGENDA NO. 1

MINUTES: Governing Board Monthly Meeting

SYNOPSIS: Attached are the Minutes of the October 1, 2021 meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Minutes of the October 1, 2021 Board Meeting.

Faye Thomas Clerk of the Boards

FT:cmw

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2021

Notice having been duly given, the regular meeting of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board was conducted remotely via video conferencing and telephone. Members present:

Mayor Pro Tem Ben J. Benoit, Chair Cities of Riverside County

Senator Vanessa Delgado (Ret.), Vice Chair Senate Rules Committee Appointee

Supervisor Lisa A. Bartlett County of Orange

Council Member Joe Buscaino City of Los Angeles

Mayor Pro Tem Michael A. Cacciotti Cities of Los Angeles County – Eastern Region

Gideon Kracov Governor's Appointee

Supervisor Sheila Kuehl County of Los Angeles

Mayor Pro Tem Larry McCallon Cities of San Bernardino County

Veronica Padilla-Campos Speaker of the Assembly Appointee

Supervisor V. Manuel Perez County of Riverside

Vice Mayor Rex Richardson Cities of Los Angeles County – Western Region

Mayor Pro Tem Carlos Rodriguez Cities of Orange County

Supervisor Janice Rutherford County of San Bernardino

Members absent: None

## **CALL TO ORDER**: Chair Benoit called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

- Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Board Member Kracov
- Roll Call
- Election of Chair for Term January 2022 January 2024
- Election of Vice Chair for Term January 2022 January 2024

The nominations for Chair and Vice Chair for the term January 2022 – January 2024 were opened. Board Member Kracov nominated Council Member Benoit as Chair and Senator Vanessa Delgado as Vice Chair; Council Member Buscaino seconded the nominations and the motion passed unanimously. Several Board members expressed congratulations and support for the nominations.

Chair Benoit thanked Board Members for their confidence and support and commented on the difficult air pollution challenges facing the South Coast AQMD in the coming years.

Senator Delgado thanked Board Members for their support and encouraged Board Members to take the Clean Air Pledge sponsored by the Coalition for Clean Air and spread the word within their jurisdictions about Clean Air Day on October 6, 2021. She noted that South Coast AQMD is a bronze level sponsor of the event.

Chair Benoit noted that he has reached out to jurisdictions in the Inland Empire and across the South Coast air basin.

## Opening Comments

Mayor Pro Tem McCallon congratulated DEO/Chief Information Officer Ron Moskowitz on receiving the Chief Information Officer Hall of Fame award.

Mayor Pro Tem Cacciotti shared photos and a video of long lines at hydrogen fueling stations and commented on the frustrations shared by owners of hydrogen vehicles. He also showed photos from an event highlighting Volvo's electric construction equipment, a residential electric lawn care equipment trailer, an electric autonomous commercial mower demonstration, and the joint South Coast AQMD/CARB retreat on September 16-17, 2021.

Dr. Matt Miyasato, DEO/Chief Technologist/Science and Technology Advancement, commented that the current limited supply of hydrogen fuel is attributed to a disruption in the supply chain due to a hydrogen plant in Northern California that was offline for some time and the hurricane that struck Louisiana. He added that hydrogen suppliers distribute to industrial sites before fueling

stations, and that demand is greater than supply. He noted that a new plant is coming online in the first quarter of 2022, which will help alleviate the situation.

Chair Benoit noted that the limited availability of hydrogen fuel continues to be an issue in the Inland Empire and owners of hydrogen fuel-cell vehicles are frustrated because they cannot reliably fuel their vehicles. He emphasized the importance of working with CARB and other agencies to address this issue.

Vice Mayor Richardson reported on the groundbreaking of the DeForest Park Environmental Education Center in North Long Beach on September 28, 2021 and expressed appreciation to Danielle Soto, Senior Public Affairs Specialist, for participating in a panel discussion following the groundbreaking to highlight the role of the South Coast AQMD in maintaining the environmental integrity of our communities. He also reported that an update on the MOU negotiations with the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles was presented at the Marine Port Committee meeting on September 28, 2021. He announced that some public comments will be moved to the beginning of the agenda at future meetings and that the next meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2021.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez commented on the importance of the MOU negotiations with both Ports and noted that he looks forward to future updates.

Supervisor Perez commented on the years he served with Supervisor John J. Benoit and stated that he looks forward to working with Chair Benoit and Senator Delgado, noting their leadership qualities and passion for serving the public.

Chair Benoit announced that the November 5, 2021 Board meeting will be held in a hybrid format, allowing for both in-person and remote participation.

# <u>PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD</u> – (Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3)

Jan Victor Andasan, Carson resident/East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice, commented on the September 17, 2021 earthquake that was centered near Carson. He expressed concern that refineries conducted emergency flaring that created visible flames and release of toxic emissions; however, the community did not receive alerts or advisories. He emphasized the need to provide public notification to affected communities, and the transition from fossil fuels.

Dr. Jason Low, Assistant DEO/Science & Technology Advancement, reported that when staff heard about the earthquake, they began reviewing the continuous fenceline and community air monitoring system that measures multiple air toxic pollutants at and near the refineries. The community monitors showed no elevated levels of toxic compounds; and the fenceline monitors showed slightly elevated levels of hydrogen sulfide but they were not above the health-based threshold.

Executive Officer Wayne Nastri added that if levels had exceeded health-based standards, the community would have been notified through the Nixle public alert system, or other software application.

Terrence Mann, DEO/Compliance & Enforcement, stated that inspectors were immediately dispatched to multiple refineries following the earthquake to monitor the flares, interview staff at the refineries, and respond to complaints. Information was also provided via South Coast AQMD's social media platforms.

Chris Chavez, Coalition for Clean Air, congratulated Chair Benoit and Vice Chair Delgado for their reappointment. He thanked the South Coast AQMD for promoting California Clean Air Day, noting that participation in the event has grown continuously over the past four years and has been successful in highlighting the need for everyone to do their part to clean the air.

Jessica Craven, Los Angeles County Democratic Party elected member/California Democratic Party Environmental Caucus, congratulated the Chair and Vice Chair on their reappointment, expressed concern with the air that children are breathing and emphasized the need for leadership and more action to ensure a livable future for all children.

Al Sattler, expressed concern that an earthquake could cause a catastrophic release of hydrofluoric acid (HF) at the Torrance Refining Company and Valero Refinery and inquired whether there is a public notification system to alert and instruct residents of fenceline communities during a crisis. He questioned how pollutants emitted from flaring at heights that are well above ground-level fenceline monitors can be adequately measured.

Ranji George, a member of the public, congratulated the Chair and Vice Chair on their reappointment and expressed concern that the worldwide introduction of more electric vehicles will create a battery recycling dilemma. He urged the Board to consider this issue as a high priority.

Board Member Kracov inquired about the status reports for the implementation of safety measures at the Torrance Refining Company and Valero Refinery.

Mr. Nastri responded that both refineries submit quarterly reports on the progress of the implementation of new safety enhancements and control measures. The quarterly reports are available on the South Coast AQMD website.

Harvey Eder, Public Solar Power Coalition, commented on his work promoting solar energy and expressed concerns about climate change.

#### CONSENT AND BOARD CALENDAR

- 1. Approve Minutes of September 3, 2021 Board Meeting
- 2. Set Public Hearing November 5, 2021 to Consider Adoption of and/or Amendments to South Coast AQMD Rules and Regulations
  - A. Determine That 2021 Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for 2006 and 1997 24-Hour PM2.5 Standards for South Coast Air Basin Is Exempt from CEQA and Approve 2021 Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan for 2006 and 1997 24-Hour PM2.5 Standards for South Coast Air Basin
  - B. Certify Final Subsequent Environmental Assessment for Proposed Rule 1109.1 – Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen From Petroleum Refineries and Related Operations, Proposed Rule 429.1 – Startup and Shutdown Provisions at Petroleum Refineries and Related Operations, Proposed Amended Rule 1304 – Exemptions, Proposed Amended Rule 2005 - New Source Review for RECLAIM, and Proposed Rescinded Rule 1109 -Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Boilers and Process Heaters in Petroleum Refineries; and Adopt Rules 1109.1 and 429.1, Amend Rules 1304 and 2005, and Rescind Rule 1109

#### Submitted Written Comments: Earthjustice

#### Items 3 through 8 -- Budget/Fiscal Impact

- Recognize Revenue, Transfer and Appropriate Funds, Amend Contract, Issue Purchase Orders, and Authorize Payment to Extend and Improve Rule 1180 Fenceline and Community Monitoring Program
- 4. Recognize Revenue, Appropriate Funds, and Execute Contracts to Implement Air Quality Community Training in Eastern Coachella Valley
- 5. Execute Contract to Provide Recordkeeping and Administration Services for South Coast AQMD's 457 Deferred Compensation Plan
- 6. Appropriate Funds and Amend or Execute Contracts with Outside Counsel and Specialized Legal Counsel and Services
- Amend Section 60 (Harassment) of South Coast AQMD's Administrative Code

8. Issue Purchase Order for Ingres Relational Database Management System Software Support

#### Items 9 through 16 – Information Only/Receive and File

- 9. Legislative, Public Affairs and Media Report
- 10. Hearing Board Report

  The report for this item was not available; therefore, this item was pulled from consideration.
- 11. Civil Filings and Civil Penalties Report
- 12. Lead Agency Projects and Environmental Documents Received
- 13. Rule and Control Measure Forecast
- 14. Report of RFPs/RFQs Scheduled for Release in October
- 15. Status Report on Major Ongoing and Upcoming Projects for Information Management
- 16. Annual Progress Report for AB 617 Community Emissions Reduction Plans

#### Item 17 -- Staff Presentation/Board Discussion/Receive and File

17. Budget and Economic Outlook Update (Presentation in Lieu of Board Letter)

No Action Required

## Items 18 through 21 -- Reports for Committees and CARB

- 18. Administrative Committee
- 19. Stationary Source Committee
- 20. Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee

21. California Air Resources Board Monthly Report

MOVED BY KUEHL, SECONDED BY CACCIOTTI, AGENDA ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9, 11 THROUGH 16 AND 18 THROUGH 21, APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED, TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE COMMITTEE AND CARB REPORTS, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Bartlett, Benoit, Buscaino,

Cacciotti, Delgado, Kracov, Kuehl, McCallon, Padilla-Campos, Perez, Richardson, Rodriguez,

and Rutherford

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

22. <u>Items Deferred from Consent and Board Calendar</u>

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

23. Determine That Proposed Amendments to Rule 1111 – Reduction of NOx Emissions from Natural-Gas-Fired, Fan-Type Central Furnaces, Are Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rule 1111 (Continued from September 3, 2021 Board meeting)

Board Member Kracov recused himself from Item No. 23 due to a potential conflict of interest. He left the meeting during the discussion of this item.

Michael Krause, Planning and Rules Manager, gave the staff presentation on Item No. 23.

Supervisor Kuehl expressed concern about attempts to permanently exempt or delay other units.

Susan Nakamura, Assistant DEO/Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, confirmed that 14 ng/J condensing and non-condensing furnaces have been implemented, with the exception of furnaces for high-altitude areas, Staff will closely monitor the progress of manufacturers on development of compliant mobile home furnaces.

The public hearing was opened, and the following individuals addressed the Board on Item 23.

Thomas Greene inquired about the NOx limit for furnaces and the level of elevation being discussed.

Mr. Krause stated that the NOx emission limit is 14 ng/J, lowered from 40 ng/J in 2009, and high-altitude is defined as ≥4,200 feet above sea level.

Al Sattler expressed concern with extending the compliance date by six months for furnaces installed in high-altitude areas. He emphasized the need to encourage the use of electric heat pump systems instead of supporting the continued use of natural gas furnaces, which contribute to global warming.

Mr. Krause stated that full electric heat pumps can be used as a viable alternative, but it takes time for people to understand new technology. Electric heat pumps are eligible for a rebate under South Coast AQMD's CLEANair Furnace Rebate Program to encourage consumers to purchase cleaner heating products.

Fernando Gaytan of Earthjustice and on behalf of a coalition of environmental groups (Active SGV, Rocky Mountain Institute, Sierra Club, Sunrise Movement Los Angeles), expressed opposition to the permanent exemption for downflow heaters and large furnaces rated at and above 100,000 btu/hr above installed in high-altitude areas. Emissions from heating buildings are contributing to an increasing share of NOx pollution. South Coast AQMD needs to achieve emission reductions to meet the fast-approaching attainment deadlines, and must make every effort to require the use of best available control technology. He urged the Board to reject the permanent exemption and allow staff more time to continue working with manufacturers to seek cleaner alternatives.

Mike Marcotte, M&M Mechanical Services, expressed concern that exempting downflow heaters as well as heaters rated 100,000 btu/hr and above will result in a cost disparity with homeowners that require a downflow heater paying significantly less than those paying for an upflow heater. The exemption will also create a financial burden for homeowners of modest income due to the substantial cost increase for ultra-low NOx heaters.

Resa Barillas, California Environmental Voters, opposed a permanent exemption for furnaces installed in high-altitude areas. Since technology is rapidly advancing and could change in the next five years, she suggested allowing time for the technology to be developed rather than a permanent exemption.

Supervisor Rutherford commended staff for working with the community and thanked constituents for providing valuable input through the rule development process. She referenced a 2019 letter from the San Bernardino County Public Health Officer declaring that the lack of heat in high-elevation areas is a public health risk. Extending the temporary high-altitude exemption for six months allows manufacturers additional time to compensate for delays/disruptions to the supply

chain due to the COVID-19 pandemic, while ensuring that residents have heat during the cold months. Staff has committed to monitoring enforcement concerns regarding the use of noncompliant furnaces, and the progress of the availability of 14 ng/J furnace for high-altitude areas. She expressed her continued concern about regulating this type of equipment in high altitude areas, given the small amount of emission reductions, limited product availability, and potential for noncompliant units to be sold in the District.

SUPERVISOR RUTHERFORD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION WITH AN AMENDMENT TO DIRECT STAFF TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN ONE YEAR ON THE AVAILABILITY OF 14 NG/J FURNACES FOR HIGH-ALTITUDE AREAS. MAYOR PRO TEM MCCALLON SECONDED THE MOTION.

There being no further testimony on this item, the public hearing was closed.

MOVED BY RUTHERFORD, SECONDED BY MCCALLON. AGENDA ITEM NO. APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-19 DETERMINING THAT PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 1111 -REDUCTION OF NOx EMISSIONS FROM NATURAL-GAS-FIRED, FAN-TYPE CENTRAL **EXEMPT** FURNACES. IS FROM REQUIREMENTS OF THE **CALIFORNIA** ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) AND AMENDING RULE 1111 - REDUCTION OF NOx EMISSIONS FROM NATURAL-GAS-FIRED, FAN-TYPE CENTRAL FURNACES, AND DIRECTING STAFF TO REPORT BACK TO THE STATIONARY SOURCE COMMITTEE IN OCTOBER 2022 ON THE AVAILABILITY OF COMPLIANT **FURNACES** FOR HIGH ALTITUDE AREAS, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Bartlett, Benoit, Buscaino,

Cacciotti, Delgado, Kuehl, McCallon, Padilla-Campos, Perez, Richardson, Rodriguez,

and Rutherford

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Kracov

ABSENT: None

### The Resolution was modified to add the following paragraph:

"WHEREAS, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board directs staff to report back to the Stationary Source Committee in October 2022 on the availability of 14 ng/J furnaces for sale and installation in high altitude areas;"

24. Determine That Proposed Rule 118.1 – Public Safety Provisions for Stationary Emergency Standby Engines and Proposed Amended Rule 1470 – Requirements for Stationary Diesel-Fueled Internal Combustion and Other Compression Ignition Engines, Are Exempt from CEQA, and Adopt Proposed Rule 118.1 and Amend Rule 1470

Susan Nakamura, Assistant DEO/Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, gave the staff presentation on Item No. 24.

The public hearing was opened, and the following individuals addressed the Board on Item 24.

Joe McDermott, Las Virgenes Municipal Water District Peter Whittingham on behalf of Buried Utilities Coalition

Spoke in support of the proposal and thanked staff for working with essential public service facilities through the rule development process. They emphasized the need for essential public service agencies to have greater flexibility for the essential operation, maintenance, and testing of emergency backup generators for public safety.

Yassi Kavezade, Sierra Club, expressed concern about the CEQA exemption and operators keeping diesel generators operating for longer periods that will pollute communities located near critical services facilities. She suggested that staff work with critical service facilities and utilities to seek cleaner alternatives.

Thomas Greene, Rancho California Water District, expressed concern that the high severity fire zone map classifies five percent of their district as a high fire hazard severity zone when about 50 percent should be considered in that category. There are pumping stations located in areas not designated in the high fire severity zone and the engines also require maintenance to ensure they work in the event of an emergency or Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) event.

Ms. Nakamura clarified that the high fire hazard severity zone only applies to the alternative testing schedule option under Rule 1470. There is no limitation in regard to geographic location of the engine for the Rule 118.1 provisions for the PSPS provisions.

Fernando Gaytan, Earthjustice, expressed concern regarding adverse impacts to communities from use of emergency standby generators that studies have shown to produce intense localized pollution that harms public health. There is also concern that current enforcement is not adequate and that backup diesel generators are being operated without real monitoring. He emphasized the need to explore improved storage capacity and using clean renewables that provide safer and cleaner ways to keep critical infrastructure running during emergencies. He urged the Board to not adopt the proposal and instead direct staff to look for clean, renewable microgrid solutions that can deliver energy to critical facilities during emergencies.

Al Sattler, San Pedro resident, highlighted the opposition of public utilities to the deployment of microgrids, which could provide a viable solution to help critical facilities meet their needs during PSPS events. He asked whether diesel emergency standby generators are required to meet strong emissions standards.

Jessie Parks, Riverside resident, urged the Board to not adopt the current proposal. Diesel-fueled generator emissions are toxic and detrimental to public health, but the proposed rules make it easier for critical service facilities to rely on them rather than seek cleaner alternatives that are available on the market.

Mark Abramowitz, Community Environmental Services, opposed increasing the usage of diesel generators when there are zero-emission technologies that can be used. He expressed concern that what is being proposed is bypassing the South Coast AQMD Hearing Board, which is a public process that allows the Hearing Board to evaluate the need for a facility to violate a rule, ask for mitigation measures and determine whether an exemption is appropriate.

Matthew Watson, Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts, urged the Board to adopt the proposed changes that allows for critical service facilities to ensure continued sewage service and prevent possible release of sewage during PSPS events. He also stated that there is no zero-emission technology that has been tested to meet the reliability needs of sewage pumping plants and treatment facilities.

Chair Benoit asked staff to clarify whether the CEQA exemption is appropriate.

Barbara Baird, Chief Deputy Counsel, confirmed that an exemption from CEQA was proposed pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(c) – Emergency Projects, because the proposed project is comprised of specific actions to prevent or mitigate an emergency. She also noted that the proposed maintenance schedule does not raise any significant new environmental impacts.

Ms. Nakamura commented on efforts to encourage cleaner alternatives for emergency backup engines, noting that staff is developing a control measure for

the 2022 AQMP for zero and near-zero equipment. The challenge is that many of the affected facilities have large engines and the cost to replace older engines is significant.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez expressed support for the proposal and thanked staff for working collaboratively with affected facilities and other agencies. He commented on the increase of wildfires in California and emphasized the need to ensure that there is ample water supply during PSPS events. He played a clip from an NBC News report about the October 2020 Blue Ridge Fire in Yorba Linda to highlight the importance of Heli-Hydrants and its water-dropping capabilities in fighting fires. The Yorba Linda Water District invested in natural gas generators to provide immediate backup if power is interrupted during a PSPS event to move water throughout their service area to combat fires and keep reservoirs full. He made a motion to adopt the staff recommendation.

Supervisor Bartlett noted that she serves on the Orange County Fire Authority and emphasized the importance of Heli-Hydrants as effective tools in fighting fires that do not produce particulates.

Supervisor Kuehl expressed concern that the proposal increases emissions from diesel emergency backup generators and stressed the need to move toward cleaner technologies. She inquired about the availability and cost for zero-emission alternatives, and how South Coast AQMD can help support the development of cleaner technologies for these equipment.

Ms. Nakamura clarified that staff has been looking at battery storage and fuel cell technology as an alternative to diesel, and that natural gas is another alternative that results in fewer emissions.

Supervisor Kuehl inquired about how recordkeeping requirements for generator use during PSPS events will be enforced.

Terrence Mann stated that regular inspections that include evaluating records are conducted at many of the large facilities. Facilities are also required to notify the South Coast AQMD if use of the emergency engine exceeds the permit operating limit for the calendar year.

Supervisor Kuehl acknowledged the urgent need for emergency standby generators during emergencies but stressed the need to look for cleaner alternatives.

Chair Benoit emphasized the importance to support and incentivize other alternatives such as microgrids and solar battery backup storage.

Mayor Pro Tem Cacciotti expressed support for the proposed rules and recommended working with CARB on potential demonstration projects.

Board Member Padilla-Campos expressed concern for allowing exemptions for diesel generators and emphasized the need to look at cleaner alternatives as part of the 2022 AQMP development process.

Board Member Kracov noted the challenges faced by South Coast AQMD and CARB in moving towards zero-emission technologies. He expressed concern that the Board had not received any written comments objecting to the proposal. He emphasized the need for comments to be submitted before public hearings so that the Board has a complete perspective of comments and concerns.

There being no further testimony on this item, the public hearing was closed.

#### **Submitted Written Comments:**

Yorba Linda Water District

MOVED BY RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED BY BARTLETT, AGENDA ITEM NO. APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-20 DETERMINING THAT PROPOSED RULE 118.1 – PUBLIC SAFETY PROVISIONS FOR STATIONARY **EMERGENCY** STANDBY ENGINES AND PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 1470 REQUIREMENTS FOR STATIONARY DIESEL-FUELED INTERNAL COMBUSTION AND OTHER COMPRESSION **IGNITION** ENGINES. ARE **EXEMPT** FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) AND ADOPTING RULE 118.1 - PUBLIC SAFETY PROVISIONS FOR STATIONARY EMERGENCY STANDBY ENGINES AMENDING RULE 1470 - REQUIREMENTS **FOR** STATIONARY DIESEL-FUELED **INTERNAL** COMBUSTION AND OTHER COMPRESSION IGNITION ENGINES. BY THE **FOLLOWING VOTE:** 

AYES: Bartlett, Benoit, Buscaino,

Cacciotti, Delgado, Kracov, Kuehl, McCallon, Padilla-Campos, Perez, Richardson, Rodriguez,

and Rutherford

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

## (Supervisor Perez left the meeting)

25. Approve Terms & Conditions of Employment for South Coast AQMD Professional Unit Employees to Implement Management's Last, Best and Final Offer

John Olvera, DEO/Administrative and Human Resources, gave the staff presentation on Item No. 25.

The public hearing was opened, and there being no requests to speak, the public hearing was closed.

#### Submitted Written Comments:

South Coast Professional Employees Association (SC-PEA)

MOVED BY KUEHL, SECONDED BY BENOIT, AGENDA ITEM NO. 25 APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED, IMPLEMENTING MANAGEMENT'S LAST, BEST AND FINAL OFFER AND APPROVING TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR SOUTH COAST AQMD PROFESSIONAL UNIT EMPLOYEES, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Bartlett, Benoit, Buscaino,

Cacciotti, Delgado, Kracov, Kuehl, McCallon, Padilla-Campos, Richardson, Rodriguez,

and Rutherford

NOES: None

ABSENT: Perez

## **CLOSED SESSION**

There was no closed session.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Gilchrist at 11:15 a.m.

The foregoing is a true statement of the proceedings held by the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board on October 1, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,

Faye Thomas Clerk of the Boards

Date Minutes Approved:

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Ben J. Benoit, Chair

**ACRONYMS** 

CARB = California Air Resources Board

CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act

FY = Fiscal Year

NOx = Oxides of Nitrogen

PM2.5 = Particulate Matter < 2.5 microns

RFP = Request for Proposals

RFQ = Request for Quotations

U.S. EPA = United States Environmental Protection Agency