

BOARD MEETING DATE: September 3, 2021

AGENDA NO. 2

PROPOSAL: Set Public Hearing October 1, 2021 to Consider Adoption of and/or Amendments to South Coast AQMD Rules and Regulations:

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

Over the past several years, utilities have increased implementation of Public Safety Power Shutoff events where power lines are de-energized to reduce potential wildfires. As a result, critical service facilities have increased operation of emergency standby engines during Public Safety Power Shutoff events to provide continuous services to protect public health and safety. Proposed Rule 118.1 includes provisions for critical service facilities that operate an emergency standby engine during a Public Safety Power Shutoff event. Proposed Amended Rule 1470 provides an optional testing and maintenance schedule for water and sewage facilities with an emergency standby engine located in a very high fire hazard severity zone. This action is to adopt the Resolution:

1) 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; and 2) Adopting Proposed Rule 118.1 - Public Safety Provisions for Stationary Emergency Standby Engines and Amending Rule 1470 - Requirements for Stationary Diesel-Fueled Internal Combustion. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, August 20, 2021)

The complete text of the proposed rule, staff report and other supporting documents were made available from the South Coast AQMD's publication request line at (909) 396-2001, or from: Mr. Derrick Alatorre - Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2432, [dalatorre@aqmd.gov](mailto:dalatorre@aqmd.gov) and on the Internet ([www.aqmd.gov](http://www.aqmd.gov)) as of September 1, 2021.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Set public hearing October 1, 2021 to determine that Proposed Rule 118.1 - Public Safety Provisions for Stationary Emergency Standby Engines, and the amendments to 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.

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