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AGENDA

# HYBRID GOVERNING BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 3, 2023

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, a meeting of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, February 3, 2023 through a hybrid format of in-person attendance in the Dr. William A. Burke Auditorium at the South Coast AQMD Headquarters, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, California, and/or virtual attendance via videoconferencing and by telephone. Please follow the instructions below to join the meeting remotely.

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- The public meeting of the South Coast AQMD Governing Board begins at 9:00 a.m. The Governing Board generally will consider items in the order listed on the agenda. However, <u>any</u> <u>item</u> may be considered in <u>any order</u>.
- After taking action on any agenda item not requiring a public hearing, the Board may reconsider or amend the item at any time during the meeting.

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call

Opening Comments: Ben J. Benoit, Chair

Other Board Members

Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer

Presentation to Outgoing Chair Ben J. Benoit
 Presentation to Outgoing Board Member Janice Rutherford
 Swearing in of Reappointed Board Member Andrew Do
 Swearing in of Reappointed Board Member Gideon Kracov
 Swearing in of Newly Appointed Board Member Holly J. Mitchell
 Benoit

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# **CONSENT AND BOARD CALENDAR (Items 1 through 19)**

Note: Consent and Board Calendar items held for discussion will be moved to Item No. 20

# <u>Items 1 through 3 – Action Items/No Fiscal Impact</u>

 Comply with AB 361 Requirements to Allow South Coast AQMD Board and South Coast AQMD Brown Act Committees to Continue to Meet Remotely Gilchrist/3459

This action is to adopt the attached Resolution finding that the Board: 1) has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency; and 2) State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing. See California Government Code Section 54953(e)(3). (No Committee Review)

2. Approve Minutes of January 6, 2023

Thomas/3268

 Set Public Hearings March 3, 2023 to Consider Adoption of and/or Amendments to South Coast AQMD Rules and Regulations: Nastri/3131

A. Determine that Proposed Amended Rule 219 –
Equipment Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant
to Regulation II, and Proposed Amended Rule 222 –
Filing Requirements for Specific Emission Sources
Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to
Regulation II, Are Exempt from CEQA; and Amend
Rule 219 and Rule 222

Krause/2706

Proposed Amended Rule 219 will add or clarify permit exemption requirements and includes enhanced recordkeeping provisions to address comments by U.S. EPA. Proposed Amended Rule 219 also includes targeted exemptions per the Board's direction to encourage the usage of low-emission technologies.

Proposed amendments to Rule 222 are necessary to align with the proposed revisions in Rule 219 and address certain sources with negligible emissions. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that Proposed Amended Rule 219 – Equipment Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II, and Proposed Amended Rule 222 - Filing Requirements for Specific Emission Sources Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II, are exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and 2) Amending Rule 219 - Equipment Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II, and Rule 222 - Filing Requirements for Specific **Emission Sources Not Requiring a Written Permit** Pursuant to Regulation II. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, January 20, 2023)

B. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1401.1
 Requirements for New and Relocated Facilities
 Near Schools, Is Exempt from CEQA; and
 Amend Rule 1401.1

In March 2015, OEHHA approved revisions to its Risk Assessment Guidelines to include age sensitivity factors for young children. The school definition in recently adopted or amended air toxics rules includes early learning and development programs, such as prekindergarten centers, to expand the protection to younger children. Amendments are proposed to harmonize the definition of school in Rule 1401.1 with other air toxic rules. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that Proposed Amended Rule 1401.1 – Requirements for New and Relocated Facilities Near Schools, is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and 2) Amending Rule 1401.1 – Requirements for New and Relocated Facilities Near Schools. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, January 20, 2023)

### Items 4 and 5 – Budget/Fiscal Impact

 Transfer and Appropriate Funds for Enhancements to Warehouse Actions and Investments to Reduce Emissions Program Online Portal

In May 2021, Rule 2305 – Warehouse Indirect Source Rule and Rule 316 – Fees for Rule 2305 were adopted. Rule 2305 requires warehouse operators to take actions every year to reduce emissions related to their warehousing activities. The development of the Warehouse Indirect Source Rule Program Online Portal (WAIRE POP), which is an online portal to accept reports for the first reporting year, was completed in December 2022. Further development efforts are needed for additional reporting years. This action is to transfer and appropriate funds to enhance WAIRE POP for subsequent reporting years. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, January 13, 2023; Recommended for Approval)

Krause/2706

Moskowitz/3329

# Approve Contract Award and Modification as Approved by MSRC

**McCallon** 

As part of their FYs 2021-24 Work Program, the MSRC approved an award under their Transformative Transportation Strategies & Mobility Solutions Program. Additionally, as part of their FYs 2018-21 Work Program, the MSRC approved a modification to the Southern California Association of Governments' contract to implement the Last Mile Freight Program. Due to the withdrawal of projects, the scope and funding allocation for the Zeem Solutions project would be increased. At this time, the MSRC seeks Board approval of the contract award and modification as part of the FYs 2018-21 and 2021-24 Work Programs. (Reviewed: Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee, January 19, 2023; Recommended for Approval)

# <u>Items 6 through 12 – Information Only/Receive and File</u>

# 6. Legislative, Public Affairs and Media Report

Alatorre/3122

This report highlights the December 2022 outreach activities of the Legislative, Public Affairs and Media Office, which includes: Major Events, Community Events/Public Meetings, Environmental Justice Update, Speakers Bureau/Visitor Services, Communications Center, Public Information Center, Business Assistance, Media Relations and Outreach to Business and Federal, State and Local Government. (No Committee Review)

# 7. Hearing Board Report

Verdugo-Peralta

This reports the actions taken by the Hearing Board during the period of December 1 through December 31, 2022. (No Committee Review)

# 8. Civil Filings and Civil Penalties Report

Gilchrist/3459

This report summarizes monthly penalties and legal actions filed by the General Counsel's Office from December 1 through December 31, 2022. An Index of South Coast AQMD Rules is attached with the penalty report. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, January 20, 2023)

# 9. Lead Agency Projects and Environmental Documents Received

Rees/2856

This report provides a listing of CEQA documents received by South Coast AQMD between December 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022, and those projects for which South Coast AQMD is acting as lead agency pursuant to CEQA. (Reviewed: Mobile Source Committee, January 20, 2023)

### Rule and Control Measure Forecast

Rees/2856

This report highlights South Coast AQMD rulemaking activities and public hearings scheduled for 2023. (No Committee Review)

## Status Report on Regulation XIII – New Source Review

Wong/3176

This report presents the state and federal Preliminary Determination of Equivalency for January 2021 through December 2021. The report provides information regarding the status of Regulation XIII – New Source Review (NSR) in meeting state and federal NSR requirements and shows that South Coast AQMD's NSR program is in preliminary compliance with applicable

state and federal requirements from January 2021 through December 2021. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, January 20, 2023)

# 12. Status Report on Major Ongoing and Upcoming Projects for Information Management

Moskowitz/3329

Information Management is responsible for data systems management services in support of all South Coast AQMD operations. This action is to provide the monthly status report on major automation contracts and planned projects. (Reviewed: Administrative Committee, January 13, 2023)

# Items 13 through 18 -- Reports for Committees and CARB

Note: The January 20, 2023 Technology Committee was cancelled. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Technology Committee is February 17, 2023.

13.	Administrative Committee (Receive & File)	Chair: Benoit	Nastri/3131
14.	Legislative Committee (Receive & File)	Chair: Cacciotti	Alatorre/3122
15.	Mobile Source Committee (Receive & File)	Chair: Kracov	Rees/2856
16.	Stationary Source Committee (Receive & File)	Chair: Benoit	Aspell/2491
17.	Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (Receive & File)	Board Liaison: Benoit	Katzenstein/2219
18.	California Air Resources Board Monthly Report (Receive & File)	Board Rep.: Kracov	Thomas/3268

# Item 19 - Staff Presentation/Board Discussion/Receive and File

19. U.S. EPA's Proposal to Strengthen the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Fine Particulate Matter (*Presentation in Lieu of Board Letter*)

Rees/2856

On January 6, 2023, U.S. EPA announced its proposed decision to revise the annual Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5) standard from its current level of 12.0  $\mu$ g/m3 to the range of 9.0 to 10.0  $\mu$ g/m3. U.S. EPA also proposed to retain the current 24-hour PM2.5 standard. Staff will present a summary of the proposal and discuss the implications for the South Coast Air Basin. The South Coast Air Basin is currently classified as "serious" nonattainment area for the annual and 24-hour PM2.5 standards. Coachella Valley is in attainment for both the annual and 24-hour PM2.5 standards. (No Committee Review)

Items Deferred from Consent and Board Calendar

# **PUBLIC HEARING**

21. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 – Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers, Is Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rule 1148.2

Krause/2706

Rule 1148.2 - Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers is a notification rule for operators that conduct certain well working operations. Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 (PAR 1148.2) will revise notification and reporting requirements of certain well activities and implement actions identified in the Community Emission Reduction Plans of Wilmington, Carson, and West Long Beach and South Los Angeles AB 617 communities. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) Determining that the Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 – Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers, is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, and 2) Amending Rule 1148.2 – Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers. (Reviewed: Stationary Source Committee, September 16, 2022 and January 20, 2023)

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

• Swearing in of Newly Appointed Board Member Curt Hagman

**Benoit** 

# BOARD MEMBER TRAVEL – (No Written Material)

Board member travel reports have been filed with the Clerk of the Boards, and copies are available upon request.

## CLOSED SESSION -- (No Written Material)

Gilchrist/3459

# **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

It is necessary for the Board to recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code sections 54956.9(a) and 54956.9(d)(1) to confer with its counsel regarding pending litigation which has been initiated formally and to which the SCAQMD is a party. The actions are:

- In the Matter of SCAQMD v. Southern California Gas Company, Aliso Canyon Storage Facility, SCAQMD
  Hearing Board Case No. 137-76 (Order for Abatement); People of the State of California, ex rel SCAQMD v.
  Southern California Gas Company, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC608322; Judicial Council
  Coordinated Proceeding No.4861;
- <u>CalPortland Company v. South Coast Air Quality Management District; Governing Board of the South Coast Air Quality Management District; and Wayne Nastri, Executive Officer, and Does 1-100, San Bernardino County Superior Court, Case No. CIV DS 1925894</u>
- <u>SCAQMD, et al. v. EPA, United States Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit, Case No. 19-1241 (consolidated with Union of Concerned Scientists v. NHTSA, No. 19-1230)</u>
- SCAQMD, et al. v. NHTSA, EPA, et al., United States Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit, Filed May 28, 2020
- <u>Natural Resources Defense Council, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, et al.</u>, San Diego Superior Court, Case No. 37-2021-00023385-CU-TT-CTL (China Shipping Case) (transferred from Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. 20STCP02985); Fourth District Court of Appeal, Division One, No. D080902

- California Trucking Association v. South Coast Air Quality Management; the Governing Board of the South Coast Air Quality Management District; and Does 1 through 25, inclusive, Case No.: 2:21-cv-06341
- In the Matter of SCAQMD v. Baker Commodities, SCAQMD Hearing Board Case No. 6223-1 (Order for Abatement); Baker Commodities, Inc. v. South Coast Air Quality Management District Hearing Board; South Coast Air Quality Management District; South Coast Air Quality Management District Hearing Board Members: Cynthia Verdugo-Peralta, Robert Pearman, Micah Ali, and Allan Bernstein, DPM MBA, in their official capacities only: and 100 Does and Roes, Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. 22STCP03597
- <u>East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice v. South Coast Air Quality Management District</u>, (Refinery monitoring lawsuit) Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. 22STCP04398

#### **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - INITIATING LITIGATION**

It is also necessary for the Board to recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(a) and 54956.9(d)(4) to consider initiation of litigation (three cases).

 Center for Biological Diversity and Center for Environmental Health v. Michael S. Regan, in his official capacity as Administrator, United States Environmental Protection Agency, 4:23-cv-00148 (Northern District of California) (PM 2.5)

### **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Also, it is necessary for the Board to recess to closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) to confer with its counsel because there is a significant exposure to litigation against the SCAQMD (two cases).

# <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

### \*\*\*PUBLIC COMMENTS\*\*\*

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Note that on items listed on the Consent Calendar and the balance of the agenda any motion, including action, can be taken (consideration is not limited to listed recommended actions). Additional matters can be added and action taken by two-thirds vote, or in the case of an emergency, by a majority vote. Matters raised under the Public Comment Period may not be acted upon at that meeting other than as provided above.

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#### **ACRONYMS**

AQ-SPEC = Air Quality Sensor Performance

**Evaluation Center** 

AQIP = Air Quality Investment Program

AQMP = Air Quality Management Plan

AVR = Average Vehicle Ridership

BACT = Best Available Control Technology

BARCT = Best Available Retrofit Control Technology

Cal/EPA = California Environmental Protection Agency

CARB = California Air Resources Board

CEMS = Continuous Emissions Monitoring Systems

CEC = California Energy Commission

CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act

CE-CERT =College of Engineering-Center for Environmental

Research and Technology

CNG = Compressed Natural Gas

CO = Carbon Monoxide

DOE = Department of Energy

EV = Electric Vehicle

EV/BEV = Electric Vehicle/Battery Electric Vehicle

FY = Fiscal Year

GHG = Greenhouse Gas

HRA = Health Risk Assessment

LEV = Low Emission Vehicle

LNG = Liquefied Natural Gas

MATES = Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study

MOU = Memorandum of Understanding

MSERCs = Mobile Source Emission Reduction Credits

MSRC = Mobile Source (Air Pollution Reduction) Review

Committee

NATTS =National Air Toxics Trends Station

NESHAPS = National Emission Standards for

Hazardous Air Pollutants

NGV = Natural Gas Vehicle

NOx = Oxides of Nitrogen

NSPS = New Source Performance Standards

NSR = New Source Review

OEHHA = Office of Environmental Health Hazard

Assessment

PAMS = Photochemical Assessment Monitoring

Stations

PEV = Plug-In Electric Vehicle

PHEV = Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle

 $PM10 = Particulate\ Matter \leq 10\ microns$ 

PM2.5 = Particulate Matter ≤ 2.5 microns

RECLAIM=Regional Clean Air Incentives Market

RFP = Request for Proposals

RFQ = Request for Quotations

RFQQ=Request for Qualifications and Quotations

SCAG = Southern California Association of Governments

SIP = State Implementation Plan

SOx = Oxides of Sulfur

SOON = Surplus Off-Road Opt-In for NOx

SULEV = Super Ultra Low Emission Vehicle

TCM = Transportation Control Measure

ULEV = Ultra Low Emission Vehicle

U.S. EPA = United States Environmental Protection

Agency

VOC = Volatile Organic Compound

ZEV = Zero Emission Vehicle

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