

NOTICE OF DECISION

To: Office of the Secretary for Resources
General Counsel's Office
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From: SCAQMD
Planning, Rule Development & Area Sources
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Subject: Filing of Notice of Decision in compliance with Public Resources Code Section 21080.5(d)(2)(E), CEQA Guidelines Sections 15252(b) and 15094(b), and SCAQMD Rule 110(f)

Project Title: Final Environmental Assessment (EA) for Proposed Rule 1118.1 – Control of Emissions from Non-Refinery Flares

Lead Agency: South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD)

SCH Number: 2018101063

Date Certified: January 4, 2019

SCAQMD Number: 10252018LE

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Project Location: The proposed project will affect facilities located within the SCAQMD's boundary. The SCAQMD has jurisdiction over all of Orange County, the urban portions of Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties southwest of the San Bernardino and San Gabriel mountains, and nearly all of Riverside County, with the exception of communities near the state border.

Project Description: Rule 1118.1 was adopted to implement, in part, the 2016 AQMP Control Measure CMB-03 - Emission Reductions from Non-Refinery Flares and facilitate the transition of the NOx RECLAIM program to a command-and-control regulatory structure. Rule 1118.1 is applicable to RECLAIM and non-RECLAIM facilities that operate non-refinery flares located at landfills, wastewater treatment plants, oil and gas production facilities, organic liquid loading stations, and tank farms. Rule 1118.1 establishes emission limits for NOx, VOC, and CO for new flares, and a capacity threshold for existing flares. In addition, some new flares at oil and gas production facilities will have additional limitations. Rule 1118.1 also establishes provisions for source testing, monitoring, reporting, recordkeeping, and provides exemptions for low-use and low-emitting flares.

This is to advise that the SCAQMD has certified the Final EA and approved the above described project, and has made the following determinations:

1. The Final EA was prepared pursuant to SCAQMD's Certified Regulatory Program.
2. The Final EA concluded that the project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
3. Because the Final EA concluded that the project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment, mitigation measures were not made a condition of the approval of this project. Thus, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097, was not required or adopted for this project.
4. Findings pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15091 and a Statement of Overriding Considerations pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15093 were also not required or adopted for this project.

The Final EA, supporting documentation, and record of project approval may be examined at: SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

Date Received for Filing

Signature: _____

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