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10 BEFORE THE HEARING BOARD OF THE
11 SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE SOUTH
14 COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT
DISTRICT,

15 Petitioner,

16 v.

17 EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES, INC., a Delaware
18 corporation,

19 Respondent.

Case Nos. 3151-29 and 3151-32

**MARCH 2015 STATUS REPORT OF
RESPONDENT EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES
FILED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
STIPULATED ORDERS FOR
ABATEMENT**

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21 Respondent Exide Technologies (“Exide”) files this combined Status Report in accordance
22 with the two stipulated Orders for Abatement issued in Case No. 3151-29 and in Case No. 3151-
23 32 on July 10, 2014 (modified January 13, 2015). This Status Report covers the period from
24 February 14, 2015 to March 13, 2015 (“Update Period”), providing information to the Hearing
25 Board on activities performed during this time period pursuant to the Risk Reduction Plan (subject
26 of the Stipulated Order for Abatement in Case No. 3151-29) and Dust Mitigation Plan (subject of
27 the Stipulated Order for Abatement in Case No. 3151-32).

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I.
STATUS REPORT ON CASE NO. 3151-29

During the Update Period, Exide worked on the following Risk Reduction Projects:

- Exide worked on removing the existing partial blast furnace enclosure and continued installation of the new blast furnace enclosure;
- Exide completed installing the high speed door in the northern portion of the baghouse building;
- Exide worked on the foundations for the blast furnace wet scrubbing system;
- Exide worked on the foundations for the rotary dryer regenerative thermal oxidizer;
- Exide worked on installing the components necessary for the negative pressure monitoring upgrade;
- Exide worked on installing the RTO for the Blast Furnace;

The District and Tetra-Tech (third-party oversight consultant) observed the Risk Reduction Project activities during this Update Period, and additional information regarding such activities can be found in Tetra-Tech’s weekly reports, which are posted on the District’s website.

II.
STATUS REPORT ON CASE NO. 3151-32

Pursuant to the Dust Mitigation Plan and under the oversight of the District and Tetra-Tech, Exide worked on the Risk Reduction Projects described above. Exide also performed maintenance work during this Update Period, including, but not limited to:

- 1 ■ Maintaining, repairing, and/or replacing various tanks, sumps, and pipes;
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- 3 ■ Repairing manholes and working on the wastewater treatment system;
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- 5 ■ Dust removal activities inside of the Reverb Baghouse enclosure and other areas.
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7 One repair activity required dust suppression to control fugitive dust, but Tetra-Tech noted
8 no deviations from the Dust Mitigation Plan. Tetra-Tech submitted three weekly status reports
9 during this Update Period, each confirming that Exide conducted work on the Risk Reduction
10 Projects and maintenance activities in “full compliance with the previously approved mitigation
11 measures under the Mitigation Plan.”

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13 **III.**
Non-Prosecution Agreement

14 Under the terms of a Non-Prosecution Agreement (“NPA”) reached between Exide and the
15 United States Attorney’s Office for the Central District of California, Exide agreed to move for the
16 permanent closure of the Exide Vernon facility. The terms of the NPA are contingent upon
17 bankruptcy court approval and Exide’s emergence from Chapter 11 bankruptcy, however, and
18 therefore those terms are not yet final and binding. This does not act as any type of official notice
19 of closure to the SCAQMD. Exide will keep the SCAQMD advised of developments as Exide
20 moves toward final resolution of the NPA and the removal of the contingencies

21 Dated: March 17, 2015

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