ADVISORY NOTICE

Rule 1113: Section (b) Paragraph (53)(A); Section (f) Paragraph (4)(D)

Original Review: August 2011
Revised Date: March 2018
Subject: Above 4,000 feet Exemption

Issue:
The South Coast Air Quality Management District has received inquiries regarding what specific locations are applicable to the exemption of architectural coatings applied to structures in elevation of 4,000 feet or greater above sea level.

Current Rule Language:
Rule 1113 section (f)(4)(D) states that “the provisions of this rule shall not apply to: use of stains and lacquers in all areas within the District at an elevation of 4,000 feet or greater above sea level or sale in such areas for such use.”

This exemption is also discussed in section (b)(53)(A), under the definition of reactive penetrating sealers which are described as “clear or pigmented coatings labeled and formulated for application to above-grade concrete and masonry substrates to provide protection from water and waterborne contaminants, including, but not limited to, alkalis, acids, and salts.” It is specified that reactive penetrating sealers must meet the following criteria:

(A) Used only for reinforced concrete bridge structures for transportation projects within 5 miles of the coast or above 4,000 feet elevation or for restoration and/or preservation projects on registered historical buildings that are under the purview of a restoration architect.

Conclusion:
AQMD Staff has developed an online interactive locater to determine addresses within the District that are in elevation of 4,000 feet or greater above sea level which are applicable to this exemption. Please use the following link to find addresses that meet this criterion: High Elevation Area Locater.

Comments or questions regarding Rule 1113 should be directed to areasources@aqmd.gov or call the Area Source team at 909-396-2390.