

# ADVISORY NOTICE

**Rule 1113:** Section (d) Paragraph (2) and (3)  
**Original Review:** March 2006  
**Revised Date:** July 2011  
**Subject:** Specification of VOC Limitations for Thinning Practices

**Issue:**

The South Coast Air Quality Management District has been made aware of an uncertainty in the allowable VOC limitations for the thinning of coatings.

**Current Rule Language:**

Rule 1113 section (d)(2) and (d)(3) specifies that coating can only be thinned as recommended by the manufacturer, and if thinned, it does not cause a coating to exceed its applicable VOC limit. The container of any coating subject to Rule 1113 shall display the maximum VOC content of the coating, as supplied, and after any thinning as recommended by the manufacturer.

**Conclusion:**

Once a coating has been thinned, the VOC limit shall not exceed the allowable limit in the [Table of Standards](#) of the rule.

Furthermore, manufacturers shall also refer to the VOC limits and requirements in [Rule 1143 – Consumer Paint Thinners and Multi-Purpose Solvents](#).

Comments or questions regarding Rule 1113 should be directed to [areasources@aqmd.gov](mailto:areasources@aqmd.gov) or to [Heather Farr](#), Air Quality Specialist at (909) 396-3672. Comments or questions regarding Rule 1143 should be directed to [Don Hopps](#), Air Quality Specialist at (909) 396-2334.