

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### PROPOSED ADOPTION OF, OR AMENDMENT TO, THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

#### **RE: Proposed Amended Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing on the matter of adoption of rules and regulations for the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), or the amendments thereto, will be held on Friday, January 5, 2018, in the Auditorium at SCAQMD Headquarters, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA at 9:00 a.m., or later, at which time evidence will be taken and all interested persons will be heard by the SCAQMD Board.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the SCAQMD is considering the adoption of Proposed Amended Rule 301. The proposed amended rule will incorporate administrative changes to restore SCAQMD's authority to charge for the preparation of a public notice for a permit for a significant project as defined in Rule 212(c), which was inadvertently deleted in the previous amendments to Rule 301.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the proposed amendments to Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees will not be submitted for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the proposed amended rule does not impose a new emission limit or standard, make an existing emission limit or standard more stringent, or impose new or more stringent monitoring, reporting, or recordkeeping requirements and therefore, a comparative analysis pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 40727.2 is not required.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the SCAQMD staff has reviewed the proposed project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15002(k) – General Concepts, the three-step process for deciding which documents to prepare for a project subject to CEQA and CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 – Review for Exemption, procedures for determining if a project is exempt from CEQA and has determined that the proposed amendments to Rule 301 are exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15273. A Notice of Exemption (NOE) will be prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062 – Notice of Exemption, and if the project is approved, the NOE will be filed with the county clerks of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the SCAQMD has prepared documents for consideration by the SCAQMD Board, including:

Proposed Amended Rule 301 – Permitting and Associated Fees  
Draft Board Letter in lieu of Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rule 301 –  
Permitting and Associated Fees

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the above documents may be obtained from the SCAQMD Public Information Center located in the SCAQMD headquarters lobby, or SCAQMD's publication request line at (909) 396-2039, or from: Ms. Fabian Wesson – Assistant

Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, [PICrequests@aqmd.gov](mailto:PICrequests@aqmd.gov).

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that at the conclusion of the public hearing, consistent with Health and Safety Code Section 40726, the SCAQMD Board may make other modifications to Proposed Amended Rule 301, which are justified by the evidence presented, or may decline to adopt the proposed amendments.

Questions, comments or requests for clarification regarding Proposed Amended Rule 301 should be directed to Elaine Shen, Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, [eshen@aqmd.gov](mailto:eshen@aqmd.gov), (909) 396-2715. All CEQA inquiries should be directed to Barbara Radlein, CEQA Section, Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, [bradlein@aqmd.gov](mailto:bradlein@aqmd.gov), (909) 396-2716.

Interested persons may attend and submit oral or written statements at the Board Hearing. Twenty-five (25) copies of all written materials must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board. Individuals who wish to submit written comments for review prior to the hearing must submit such comments to the Clerk of the Board, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA, 91765-4178, (909) 396-2500, or to [cob@aqmd.gov](mailto:cob@aqmd.gov) on or before Tuesday, December 26, 2017. Electronic submittals will only be accepted if no more than 10 pages including attachments; and in MS Word, plain, or HTML format.

DATED: December 1, 2017

DENISE GARZARO  
Clerk of the Boards