

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF, OR AMENDMENT TO, THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
OF THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
AND PROPOSED SUBMISSION INTO THE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

**RE: Proposed Amended Rule 2001 – Applicability and
Proposed Amended Rule 2002 – Allocations for NOx and SOx**

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 **January 5, 2018**, in the Auditorium at SCAQMD Headquarters, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, at 9:00 a.m., 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 Rules 2001 and 2002. The proposed amended rules will commence the initial steps to transition facilities in the RECLAIM program to a command and control regulatory structure, as directed by Control Measure CMB-05 of the Final 2016 Air Quality Management Plan. Proposed Amended Rule 2001 will prevent any further inclusions of facilities into NOx and SOx RECLAIM. Proposed Amended Rule 2002 will establish notification procedures for facilities that will be exiting the RECLAIM program and address the RECLAIM Trading Credit holdings for these facilities.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that Proposed Amendments to Rules 2001 – Applicability and 2002 – Allocations for Oxides of Nitrogen (NOx) and Oxides of Sulfur (SOx) will be submitted to the California Air Resources Board and the United States Environmental Protection Agency for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Proposed Amendments to Rules 2001 and 2002 implement Sections 110, 172, 182(e), and 189 of the Clean Air Act.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amended rules do 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 document 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 Rules 2001 and 2002 are exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3) – Activities Covered by General Rule. A Notice of Exemption (NOE) will be prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062 - Notice of Exemption, and if the project is approved, the Notice of Exemption will be filed with the county clerks of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

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

Proposed Amended Rules 2001 and 2002
Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rules 2001 and 2002
Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for Proposed Amended Rules 2001 and 2002
included in the Staff Report

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the above documents may be obtained from the SCAQMD's Public Information Center located in the SCAQMD headquarters lobby, or the SCAQMD's publication request line at (909) 396-2039 or from: Ms. Fabian Wesson – Assistant Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2688, 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 Rules 2001 and 2002, which are justified by the evidence presented, or may decline to adopt the proposed amendments.

Questions, comments or requests for clarification regarding Proposed Amended Rules 2001 and 2002 can be directed to Tracy A. Goss, Planning and Rules Manager, Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, tgoss@aqmd.gov or by calling (909) 396-3106. All CEQA inquiries can be directed to Barbara Radlein, Program Supervisor, CEQA Section, Office of Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, bradlein@aqmd.gov or by calling (909) 396-2716. All inquiries regarding the Socioeconomic Impact Assessment can be directed to Elaine Shen, Program Supervisor, Socioeconomic Section, Office of Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, eshen@aqmd.gov or by calling (909) 396-2715.

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 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: November 29, 2017

DENISE GARZARO
Clerk of the Board