

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 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications

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, October 6, 2017 in the Emerald Ballroom at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel Los Angeles, 506 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, CA, 90071, 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 Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications. The proposed amended rule will revise VOC content limits for various adhesive/sealant categories, include reporting and labeling requirements, clarify rule language and applicability, harmonize language and requirements with state and federal regulations affecting the same type of products, add test methods, remove, modify or add certain exemptions, and prohibit Group II exempt compounds as defined in Rule 102 – Definition of Terms. The proposed amendments will reduce volatile organic compound emissions by approximately 1 ton per day by implementing portions of Control Measure CTS-01- Further Emission Reductions from Coatings, Solvents, Adhesives, and Sealants from the 2016 Air Quality Management Plan.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendments to Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications 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 Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications implement Sections 110, 172, and 183(e) of the Clean Air Act.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a written analysis pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 40727.2 has been prepared that identifies all existing federal air pollution control requirements, all SCAQMD existing and proposed rules and regulations, and all pollution control requirements and guidelines that apply to the same equipment or source type as the rule proposed for adoption.

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

Proposed Amended Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications
Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications
Environmental Assessment for Proposed Amended Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications, prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act
Socioeconomic Assessment for Proposed Amended Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications, included in the Staff Report
Findings and Comparative Analysis for Proposed Amended Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications, included in the Staff Report

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the above documents are available on the SCAQMD website at www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/rules/proposed-rules, or 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: Fabian Wesson - Assistant Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2432, PICrequests@aqmd.gov.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the conclusion of the public hearing, the SCAQMD Board may make other modifications to Proposed Amended Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications, which are justified by the evidence presented, or may decline the amendments.

Questions, comments, or requests for clarification regarding Proposed Amended Rule 1168 – Adhesive and Sealant Applications can be directed to Nicole Silva, Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, nsilva@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-3384. All CEQA inquiries can be directed to Diana Thai, CEQA Section, Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, dthai@aqmd.gov or by calling (909) 396-3443. All inquiries regarding the Socioeconomic Assessment can be directed to Shah Dabirian, Socioeconomic Section, Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, sdabirian@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-3076.

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, September 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: August 30, 2017

DENISE GARZARO
Clerk of the Boards