

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 1403 - Asbestos Emissions from Demolition/Renovation
Activities**

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 **February 1, 2019** 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 Rule 1403. The proposed amendments to Rule 1403 will further clarify existing rule requirements, enhance enforceability, and align the requirements with the applicable U.S. EPA NESHAP provision and with other state and local agency regulations. The proposed amendments include clarifying who is covered by the rule, standard and emergency notification procedures, specifying information to be included in survey reports, and reinforcing minimum sampling requirements for determining whether materials are asbestos-containing. This action is to adopt the Resolution: 1) determining that the proposed amendments to Rule 1403 - Asbestos Emissions from Renovation/Demolition Activities are exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act; and 2) amending Rule 1403 - Asbestos Emissions from Renovation/Demolition Activities.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendments to Rule 1403 - Asbestos Emissions from Demolition/Renovation Activities 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 §15002 (k) - General Concepts, the three-step process for deciding which document to prepare for a project subject to CEQA and CEQA Guidelines §15061 - Review for Exemption, procedures for determining if a project is exempt from CEQA and has determined that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed project may have a significant adverse effect on the environment such that the proposed amendments to Rule 1403 are exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3) - Activities Covered by General Rule. Furthermore, the proposed amendments are considered categorically exempt because they are considered actions to protect or enhance the environment pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15308 - Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment. A Notice of Exemption (NOE) will be prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §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 staff has prepared the following documents relevant to the proposed amended rule:

- Proposed Amended Rule 1403
- Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rule 1403
- Socioeconomic Assessment for Proposed Amended Rule 1403, included in the Staff Report

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the above documents are available and 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, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2688, fwesson@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 1403, which are justified by the evidence presented, or may decline to adopt some or all of the proposed amendments.

Questions, comments or requests for clarification regarding Proposed Amended Rule 1403 can be directed to Bradley McClung, Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, bmcclung@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-2446. All CEQA inquiries can be directed to Luke Eisenhardt, CEQA Section, Office of Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, leisenhardt@aqmd.gov or by calling (909) 396-2324. All inquiries regarding the Socioeconomic Assessment can be directed to Ryan Finseth, Socioeconomic Section, Office of Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, rfinseth@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-3575.

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, January 22, 2019. Electronic submittals will only be accepted if no more than 10 pages including attachments; and in MS Word, plain or HTML format.

DATED: December 19, 2018

DENISE GARZARO
Clerk of the Boards