South Coast Air Quality Management District Notice of Public Workshop

Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 – Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers

Date: Thursday, September 1, 2022 Time: 1:00 PM Webinar Meeting Link: <u>https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/93588296076</u> Meeting ID: 93588296076 (applies to all) To participate by phone, or for audio by phone, dial: +1-669-900-6833

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To ensure we are practicing safe social distancing, the Public Workshop will be conducted via video conferencing (Zoom) which can be accessed via your computer or smart phone. Alternatively, stakeholders can phone-in to participate. We understand that this is not the same as a face-to-face public meeting; however, staff will take the time to listen to comments from all stakeholders. You are invited to attend the meeting electronically through Zoom. Instructions on how to participate can be found at the top of this notice

Purpose of This Meeting

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) has scheduled a Public Workshop on Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 – Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers (PAR 1148.2) to solicit information and suggestions from the public. PAR 1148.2 is scheduled to be considered for adoption at a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on November 4, 2022 (subject to change).

Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 Background

Rule 1148.2 was developed to gather air quality information related to oil and gas well drilling, well completion, and well reworks. Over the past several years, South Coast AQMD staff has worked collaboratively with community members to identify air quality issues and develop Community Emission Reduction Plans (CERPs) for certain environmental justice communities. The Wilmington, Carson, West Long Beach CERP and the South Los Angeles draft CERP include a control action to initiate rule amendments to 1148.2 to enhance notifications and reporting. PAR 1148.2 is being amended to implement the control action and proposes measures to require notifications for injection well and workover rig operations, and annual reports of chemicals used at well sites.

Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 Objectives

PAR 1148.2 will implement control actions contained in the Wilmington, Carson, West Long Beach CERP and the South Los Angeles draft CERP. PAR 1148.2 applies to operators of oil and gas wells and chemical suppliers. PAR 1148.2 includes new notification requirements for acidizing of injection wells and workover rig operations, will set notification requirements in relation to distances between a well and sensitive receptor(s), will remove outdated reporting requirements, and will require annual reporting to track chemicals used at well sites.

California Environmental Quality Act

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and South Coast AQMD's certified regulatory program (Public Resources Code Section 21080.5, CEQA Guidelines Section 15251(l) and South Coast AQMD Rule 110), the South Coast AQMD, as lead agency, is currently

reviewing the proposed project (PAR 1148.2) to determine if it will result in any potential adverse environmental impacts. Appropriate CEQA documentation will be prepared based on the analysis.

Available Supporting Documents

The following supporting documents will be available on or before August 19, 2022:

- Preliminary Draft of Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 Notification and Reporting Requirements for Oil and Gas Wells and Chemical Suppliers; and
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2

To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of the preliminary draft staff report and preliminary draft of Proposed Amended Rule 1148.2 will be available no later than August 19, 2022, and may be obtained from:

Derrick Alatorre Public Information Center South Coast AQMD 21865 Copley Dr. Diamond Bar, CA 91765 (909) 396-2432 PublicAdvisor@aqmd.gov

The documents will be available for download from the South Coast AQMD website at: http://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules/rule-1148-2

Americans with Disabilities Act and Language Accessibility

Disability and language-related accommodations can be requested to allow participation in the Public Workshop. The agenda will be made available, upon request, in appropriate alternative formats to assist persons with a disability (Gov't Code Section 54954.2(a)). In addition, other documents may be requested in alternative formats and languages. Any disability or language related accommodation must be requested as soon as practicable. Requests will be accommodated, unless providing the accommodation would result in a fundamental alteration or undue burden to the South Coast AQMD. Please contact Michael Morris at (909) 396-3282 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to mmorris@aqmd.gov.

Submission of Documents or Comments

Please submit any relevant comments, documents, studies, reports, or other relevant information to the contact information listed below.

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Written comments should be submitted by September 15, 2022.