South Coast Air Quality Management District
Notice of Public Workshop

Proposed Amended Rule 1115 – Motor Vehicle Assembly Line Coating Operations

Thursday, January 6, 2022
1:00 p.m.

Webinar Meeting Link: https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/94805582899
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Purpose of This Meeting
The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) has scheduled a Public Workshop on Proposed Amended Rule 1115 – Motor Vehicle Assembly Line Coating Operations (PAR 1115). PAR 1115 is scheduled to be considered for amendment at a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on March 4, 2022 (subject to change).

Rule Background
Rule 1115 was adopted on March 2, 1979, with the purpose of further reducing emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) that result from coating operations conducted on motor vehicle assembly lines. The U.S. EPA has issued Control Techniques Guidelines (CTG) for Automobile and Light-Duty Truck Assembly Coatings that are more stringent than the VOC emission limits currently contained in Rule 1115. In addition, the VOC emission limits in Rule 1115 for several coating types are less stringent than those in corresponding rules from other regulatory agencies.

Proposed Rule and Objectives
To fulfill Reasonably Achievable Control Technology (RACT) requirements, PAR 1115 will be amended to reduce VOC emission limits for coatings used in operations conducted on motor vehicle assembly lines. In addition, PAR 1115 proposes to include VOC limits for other miscellaneous materials used during such operations. The amendment will also update definitions as well as recordkeeping and testing requirements.

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 reviewing the proposed project (PAR 1115) to determine if it will result in any potential adverse environmental impacts and will prepare the appropriate CEQA documentation for the proposed project in accordance with CEQA requirements.
Available Supporting Documents
The following supporting documents are available:
• Proposed Amended Rule 1115; and
• Preliminary Draft Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rule 1115

To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents
These documents and other materials related to this rulemaking may be accessed from the South Coast AQMD website at: http://www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/rules/proposed-rules or may be obtained from:

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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 in accordance with Government 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 Mr. Michael Morris at mmorris@aqmd.gov or by calling (909) 396-3282 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday.

Key Contact for Submitting Questions and Comments
Attendees are invited to ask questions and make comments during the Public Workshop. Questions, comments, documents, or other relevant information may also be directed to:

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Submission of Documents or Comments
Written comments are requested by January 19, 2022.