South Coast Air Quality Management District Notice of Public Workshop

Proposed Amended Rule 1135 – Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Electricity Generating Facilities Proposed Rule 429.2 – Startup and Shutdown Exemption Provisions for Oxides of Nitrogen from Electricity Generating Facilities

Wednesday, October 27, 2021 1:00 p.m.

Webinar Meeting Link: https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/94648515982
Meeting ID: 946 4851 5982 (applies to all)

To participate by phone, or for audio by phone, dial: +1 669 900 6833

One tap mobile: +16699006833,,93043741522#

(Please note, if the Zoom meeting link provided does not work, copy the link into the web browser, or directly enter the meeting ID into the Zoom web or mobile application.)

To ensure we are practicing safe social distancing, the Public Workshop will only 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 AQMD has scheduled a Public Workshop on Proposed Amended Rule 1135 – Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Electricity Generating Facilities (PAR 1135) and Proposed Rule 429.2 – Startup and Shutdown Exemption Provisions for Oxides of Nitrogen from Electricity Generating Facilities (PR 429.2) to solicit comments from the public. PAR 1135 and PR 429.2 are scheduled to be considered for adoption at a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on January 7, 2022 (subject to change).

Proposed Amended Rule 1135 Background and Objectives

Rule 1135 – Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Electricity Generating Facilities reduces NOx emissions from electric generating units. The objectives of PAR 1135 are to remove ammonia limits for selective catalytic and non-catalytic reduction systems which will be addressed during permitting, revise NOx emission limits and rolling average provisions for diesel internal combustion engines, and update provisions for Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems (CEMS). Other amendments include referencing PR 429.2 for shutdown and startup requirements, and providing other clarifications.

Proposed Rule 429.2 Background and Objectives

PR 429.2 is a companion rule to Rule 1135 and will provide an exemption from Rule 1135 NOx emissions limits during startup and shutdown events. PR 429.2 will establish provisions limiting the duration and frequency of startup and shutdown events, best management practices, and notification and recordkeeping requirements for units subject to Rule 1135.

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(1) and South Coast AQMD Rule 110), the South Coast AQMD, as lead agency, is currently reviewing the proposed project (PAR 1135 and PR 429.2) to determine if it will result in any potential adverse environmental impacts. Appropriate CEQA documentation will be prepared based on the analysis.

1

Questions regarding the CEQA analysis may be directed to:

Ryan Banuelos

Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, CEQA Section

South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Phone: (909) 396-3479 Email: <u>rbanuelos@aqmd.gov</u>

Available Supporting Documents

The following supporting documents will be available on or before October 22, 2021:

- Preliminary Draft of Proposed Amended Rule 1135 Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Electricity Generating Facilities;
- Preliminary Draft of Proposed Rule 429.2 Startup and Shutdown Exemption Provisions for Oxides of Nitrogen from Electricity Generating Facilities; and
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rule 1135 and Proposed Rule 429.2

To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of the preliminary draft staff report and preliminary drafts of Proposed Amended Rule 1135 and Proposed Rule 429.2 will be available no later than October 22, 2021, and may be obtained from:

Derrick Alatorre
Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor
dalatorre@agmd.gov or by calling (909) 396-2432

The documents will be available for download from the South Coast AQMD website at: http://www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/rules/proposed-rules

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 Charlene Nguyen at the contact information listed below.

Charlene Nguyen Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Phone: (909) 396-2648

Phone: (909) 396-2648
Email: <u>cnguyen@aqmd.gov</u>

Written comments should be submitted by November 10, 2021.