South Coast Air Quality Management District Notice of Public Workshop

Proposed Rule 1147.2 – NOx Reductions from Metal Melting and Heating Furnaces

Thursday, January 20, 2022 10:00 a.m. Webinar Meeting Link: <u>https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/91810732436</u> Meeting ID: 918 1073 2436 (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 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 remotely 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 Rule 1147.2 – NOx Reductions from Metal Melting and Heating Furnaces (PR 1147.2) for the purpose of soliciting information and suggestions from the public. PR 1147.2 is scheduled to be considered for adoption at a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on April 1, 2022 (subject to change).

Rule Background

PR 1147.2 establishes Best Available Retrofit Control Technology (BARCT) NOx emission limits for metal melting and heating furnaces at facilities under the Regional Clean Air Incentives Market (RECLAIM) and non-RECLAIM facilities. PR 1147.2 will partially implement Control Measure CMB-05 in the 2016 Air Quality Management Plan and is designed to comply with Assembly Bill 617 BARCT requirements.

Proposed Rule and Objectives

PR 1147.2 applies to RECLAIM and non-RECLAIM facilities that operate metal melting furnaces, metal heat treating furnaces, metal heating furnaces, and metal forging furnaces. The proposed rule establishes NOx and CO limits for these equipment categories to reflect current BARCT emission limits, implements interim emission limits, and provides implementation schedules. PR 1147.2 also includes provisions for monitoring, reporting, recordkeeping, and exemptions from specific provisions.

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 (PR 1147.2) 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.

Questions regarding the CEQA analysis may be directed to:

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Available Supporting Documents

The following supporting documents will be available on or before January 14, 2022:

- Preliminary Draft of Proposed Rule 1147.2 NOx Reductions from Metal Melting and Heating Furnaces;
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for Proposed Rule 1147.2; and
- Other materials relevant to Proposed Rule 1147.2 that are available.

To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of the preliminary draft staff report and preliminary drafts of Proposed Rule 1147.2 will be available no later than January 14, 2022, and may be obtained from:

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

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

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 send requests to Michael Morris at (909) 396-3282 or <u>mmorris@aqmd.gov</u>.

Submission of Documents or Comments

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

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Written comments are requested by February 3, 2022.