South Coast Air Quality Management District

Notice of Public Workshop

Proposed Amended Rule 1407 – Control of Emissions of Arsenic, Cadmium, and Nickel from Non-Chromium Metal Melting Operations

Wednesday, June 19, 2019 10:00 a.m. South Coast AQMD Headquarters, Auditorium 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Purpose of This Meeting

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) has scheduled a public workshop to obtain comments on Proposed Amended Rule 1407 – Control of Emissions of Arsenic, Cadmium, and Nickel from Non-Chromium Metal Melting Operations (PAR 1407). PAR 1407 is scheduled to be adopted at a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on September 6, 2019.

Proposed Amended Rule 1407 Background and Objectives

PAR 1407 establishes requirements to reduce arsenic, cadmium, and nickel emissions from metal melting operations. PAR 1407 applies to facilities that are melting metals that contain no more than 0.5% chromium content, including, but not limited to aluminum, brass, bronze, carbon steel, and zinc. Potential metal melting operations include smelting, tinning, galvanizing, and other miscellaneous processes where metals are processed in molten form, since these operations have the potential to emit such metal emissions in the form of toxic air contaminants and particulate matter. PAR 1407 establishes control efficiency, mass emission limits, and emission control device monitoring requirements to control point source emissions, housekeeping and building enclosure provisions to limit fugitive emissions, and source testing and recordkeeping requirements.

California Environmental Quality Act

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and South Coast AQMD's Certified Regulatory Program (Rule 110), the South Coast AQMD, as lead agency for the proposed project, has determined that implementation of PAR 1407 will not be expected to result in any potentially significant adverse environmental impacts. Further, since the proposed project will not be expected to have statewide, regional, or area-wide significance, no CEQA scoping meeting is required pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21083.9(a)(2). As such, South Coast AQMD is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) with less than significant impacts for PAR 1407. The EA will allow public agencies and the public the opportunity to obtain, review and comment on the environmental analysis. The EA will include a project description and analysis of potential adverse environmental impacts that could be generated from the proposed project. Upon its completion, a Draft EA will be released for a 30-day public comment

and review period. If comments are submitted, the letters and responses to comments will be incorporated into the Final EA.

Comments and suggestions regarding the CEQA analysis may be directed to:

Mr. Luke Eisenhardt Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, CEQA Section South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Phone: (909) 396-2324 Fax: (909) 396-3982 Email: <u>leisenhardt@aqmd.gov</u>

Available Supporting Documents

The following supporting documents will be available June 12, 2019:

- Proposed Amended Rule 1407 Control of Emissions of Arsenic, Cadmium, and Nickel, from Non-Chromium Metal Melting Operations; and
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rule 1407

To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of the proposed amended rule and the preliminary draft staff report may be obtained from:

Ms. Fabian Wesson Public Information Center South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Phone: (909) 396-2039 Email: <u>PICrequests@aqmd.gov</u>

The documents are also available for download from the South Coast AQMD website at: <u>http://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules#1407</u>

Submission of Documents or Comments

You are invited to attend the meeting and may also send comments, documents, or other information relevant to the proposed amended rule listed above to:

Mr. Michael Morris Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Phone: (909) 396-3282 Email: <u>mmorris@aqmd.gov</u>

Written comments on this rule should be submitted by July 10, 2019.