

The Honorable Dr. William Burke and Dr. Clark Parker South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Subject: 2,000+ letters opposing any ban or phase-out of Modified Hydrofluoric Acid (MHF)

Dear Chairman Burke and Refinery Committee Chairman Parker:

On behalf of the Californians for a Sustainable Economy (CaSE) coalition, I am submitting 2,000+ letters that express opposition to any ban or phase-out of Modified Hydrofluoric Acid (MHF). I ask that these letters be included as part of the record for the February 1, 2019 South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Governing Board meeting (Item 25 – Proposed Approach to Address Hydrogen Fluoride Storage and Use at Petroleum Refineries).

Additionally, I would like to direct your attention to Slide 7 of the SCAQMD Staff presentation regarding Item 25. On that slide, Staff shows that 1,300+ comment letters and emails have been received by SCAQMD about an MHF phase-out and that of these 1,300+ letters, 500+ oppose a phase-out and 800+ support a phase-out. This is a misrepresentation of the facts. The CaSE coalition submitted for the record 1,500+ letters opposing a phase-out at the September 22, 2018 SCAQMD Refinery Committee meeting. I ask that the information on slide 7 be revised to show the correct number of letters that have been received by the SCAQMD that oppose an MHF phase-out.

Thank you.

Respectfully.

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