South Coast Air Quality Management District

Notice of Public Workshop

Proposed Amended Rule 1426 – Emissions from Metal Finishing Operations

Thursday, January 21, 2021
1:00 p.m.
https://scaqmd.zoom.us/j/98156585480
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To be consistent with Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020) and to ensure safe social distancing is practiced, the Public Workshop will be conducted via video conferencing (Zoom), which can be accessed via your computer or smart phone using the information provided above. Alternatively, participants may phone in using the number provided. 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 the public and all stakeholders.

Purpose of This Meeting
The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) has scheduled a public workshop for the purpose of soliciting information and suggestions from the public on Proposed Amended Rule 1426 – Emissions from Metal Finishing Operations (PAR 1426). PAR 1426 is scheduled to be considered for adoption at a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on April 2, 2021.

Proposed Amended Rule 1426 Background and Objectives
PAR 1426 is designed to reduce fugitive emissions of metal toxic air contaminants (TAC) that include hexavalent chromium, nickel, cadmium, lead, and copper from facilities that conduct metal finishing operations such as passivation, stripping, electroless plating, or other processes where parts or equipment are dipped in tank solutions that contain metal TACs. The proposal adds requirements for building enclosure, housekeeping, and best management practices.

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 for the proposed project, will prepare the appropriate CEQA documentation for the proposed project in accordance with CEQA requirements.

Comments regarding the CEQA analysis may be directed to:
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Available Supporting Documents
The following supporting documents will be made available on or before January 15, 2021:
• Preliminary Draft of Proposed Amended Rule 1426 – Emissions from Metal Finishing Operations
• Preliminary Draft Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rule 1426

The documents and others related to this rule making may be accessed from the South Coast AQMD website at: http://www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/rules/proposed-rules or may be obtained from:
  Derrick Alatorre/Public Advisor
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Submission of Documents or Comments
You are invited to attend the meeting and may also send comments, documents, or other information relevant to PAR 1426 by January 29, 2021 to:
  Min Sue
  South Coast AQMD/Planning
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  Email: msue@aqmd.gov

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 Celia Diamond at (909) 396-3567 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to cdiamond@aqmd.gov.