



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

PROJECT TITLE: PROPOSED AMENDED RULES 301 – PERMITTING AND ASSOCIATED FEES, 303 – HEARING BOARD FEES, 304 – EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS AND AMBIENT AIR ANALYSES, 304.1 – ANALYSES FEES, 306 – PLAN FEES, 307.1 – ALTERNATIVE FEES FOR AIR TOXICS EMISSIONS INVENTORY, 308 – ON-ROAD MOTOR VEHICLE MITIGATION OPTIONS FEES, 309 – FEES FOR REGULATION XVI, 311 – AIR QUALITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM (AQIP) FEES, AND RULE 313 – AUTHORITY TO ADJUST FEES AND DUE DATES

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is the Lead Agency and will prepare a Notice of Exemption for the project identified above.

Pursuant to CEQA, the SCAQMD is the Lead Agency and has reviewed the proposed amendments to Regulation III pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §§15002 (k)(1) and 15061. Because the proposed project involves the modification and structuring of charges by public agencies for the purpose of meeting operating expenses and financial reserve requirements, it is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15273 - Rates, Tolls, Fares and Charges. A Notice of Exemption has been prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15062 - Notice of Exemption. The Notice of Exemption will be filed with the county clerks of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties immediately following the adoption of the proposed project.

Any questions regarding this Notice of Exemption should be sent to Michael Krause (c/o Planning, Rule Development & Area Sources) at the above address. Mr. Krause can also be reached at (909) 396-2706.

Date: May 2, 2008

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