

**South Coast Air Quality Management District**  
**Executive Order 07-01**  
**Mobile Refuelers for Firefighting**

**WHEREAS**, The Governor of the State of California has proclaimed a State of Emergency resulting from widespread fires and high winds commencing on or about October 21, 2007, such proclamation occurring on October 21, 2007, for areas including Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, The Governor's proclamation declared that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property exist within these Counties caused by the wildfires and high winds; and

**WHEREAS**, combating the wild fires has necessitated the use of mobile refuelers which do not comply with South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 461(c)(2) (Phase II Vapor Recovery) to provide fuel to emergency vehicles and equipment immediately needed to fight fires within the area covered by the Proclamation of a State of Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, under the provisions of South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 118(d)(1) I hereby determine and declare that requiring strict compliance with Rule 461(c)(2) as applicable to the refueling of vehicles and equipment necessary to fight fires would delay critical actions necessary for the protection of public health and safety;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, pursuant to the authority vested in me pursuant to Rule 118(d)(1), I hereby suspend the application of Rule 461(c)(2) as applicable to the refueling of vehicles and equipment necessary to fight fires, to the extent using a refueling method that complies with all South Coast Air Quality Management District Rules would delay actions necessary to fight a fire or perform emergency rescue operations.

This Order and suspension shall be on condition that the operator of the mobile refueler shall record, and submit a report to the South Coast Air Quality Management District within seven days of the expiration of the Governor-declared State of Emergency containing, all of the following for each day of operation under this Order:

- (1) the license plate number of the refueler
- (2) the name and address of the operator
- (3) the location (city or area) where the fuel was dispensed.

This Order and suspension shall be in effect for a period concluding at 5:00 p.m. on November 3, 2007, or upon the termination of the State of Emergency declared by the Governor, whichever is earlier.

Dated: October 24, 2007

  
Barry R. Wallerstein, D. Env.  
Executive Officer