

BOARD MEETING DATE: October 7, 2016

AGENDA NO. 27

REPORT: Mobile Source Committee

SYNOPSIS: The Mobile Source Committee met on Friday, September 16, 2016. Following is a summary of that meeting. The next Mobile Source Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 21, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:  
Receive and file.

Dr. Clark E. Parker, Sr., Chair  
Mobile Source Committee

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### **Attendance**

Committee Chair Dr. Clark E. Parker, Sr., and Committee Member Shawn Nelson attended via videoconference. Committee Members Larry McCallon and Judith Mitchell attended at SCAQMD headquarters. Dr. Parker appointed Dr. William Burke, who participated via videoconference, as a one-time Committee Member for this meeting. Committee Member Dr. Joseph Lyou was absent. Dr. Parker called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEM:**

#### **1) Update on Release of Draft 2016 AQMP**

Dr. Philip Fine, Deputy Executive Officer in Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, provided a status update on the ongoing development of the Draft 2016 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP or Plan) and supporting documents. The Preliminary Draft Socioeconomic Report and remaining technical appendices were released for public review and the Revised Draft Plan is currently being prepared based on over 64 comment letters received. Dr. Fine discussed the recent Advisory

Group meetings and noted presentations at over 25 stakeholder meetings since the release of the Draft Plan.

Dr. Fine outlined key comments received on the Draft Plan. There has been strong support for incentives considered necessary for early deployment of cleaner technologies, but also opposition to incentive approaches seen as being weighted more than regulatory measures, because regulatory measures are viewed as more reliable, useful and enforceable. There is high interest in the development of a funding action plan that discusses the sources of funding, and a backup plan in case of a shortfall in funding and/or emission reductions.

Dr. Parker wanted assurance that funds potentially received from the Volkswagen (VW) settlement could legally be used to support the incentive programs. Staff explained that the proposed settlement is a nationwide fund to be distributed amongst the states, which would be required to submit a plan as to how the money would be spent (e.g., type of project(s), cost for project(s), etc.). CARB recognizes the resource needs of South Coast and San Joaquin regions in meeting the ozone standards.

Dr. Burke raised concerns regarding the potential success of these incentive programs, especially if dependent on the timing of court decisions for the settlement. The initial VW settlement (regarding 2-liter engines) is already proposed and going to court next month. The schedule for the subsequent VW settlement (regarding 3-liter engines), however, is unknown at this time. Acting Executive Officer Wayne Nastri suggested presenting an incentive funding action plan to the Mobile Source Committee at their next meeting.

Councilmember Mitchell reminded the committee that as a state agency under the administration, CARB cannot advocate for additional incentive funding from the state legislature, but the SCAQMD does have that opportunity. Mr. Nastri added that U.S. EPA is in a similar position, and cannot lobby Congress, but other agencies can lobby and U.S. EPA can respond to congressional inquiries. Staff believes CARB would support more federal incentive funding as it would assist in implementing the State SIP strategy locally. Councilmember Mitchell mentioned that achieving the designated emission reductions from federal sources is a real challenge.

The 2016 AQMP considers and must include all feasible measures, and Mr. Nastri expressed the need for a balanced approach of strong regulatory proposals along with incentives for early deployment of cleaner technologies. A similar approach is also being considered by CARB in their mobile source strategy. Some AQMP comment letters have suggested returning to a more regulatory approach.

Dr. Parker encouraged incentives for solar water heating in new construction, which is already proposed in the stationary source strategy. However, staff is considering potential opportunities for future regulatory action in response to some comments. Staff is also proposing a collaborative effort with builders in the EGM-01 measure. Mayor Larry McCallon opposes requiring new equipment at a building's "point of sale."

Dr. Fine continued discussing the comments received, including support for a focus on more state and federal source reductions since stationary sources have already achieved substantial reductions. Others requested continued efforts to reduce stationary source emissions and address impacts to low-income communities. There is an ongoing debate between technology/fuel neutrality and emission-based standards vs. supporting only zero-emission technologies. Similarly, some commenters are opposed to all facility-based measures while others support a regulatory approach making full use of SCAQMD's indirect source authority. The Plan does include measures with no quantified emission reductions, which elicited comments on the need and purpose for including such measures. Staff has prepared the Plan with all feasible measures, including some measures that require more technical assessment to quantify reductions, but has done so because such reductions could be available if there is an emission reduction shortfall from other measures.

Dr. Fine and Mr. Nastri highlighted the upcoming release of the Revised Draft AQMP along with remaining chapters in the Preliminary Draft Socioeconomic Report and the concern that appropriate public review and time to respond to comments is constricted. Considering the upcoming holiday season, a possible delay in seeking Board approval of the Plan and supporting documents may warrant an additional 60 days, to February 2017. Councilmember Mitchell suggested alerting the CARB staff who have already scheduled the South Coast SIP for consideration at their January 2017 Board meeting.

Two public comments were offered on this item. On behalf of the "Clean Air Advocates" comprised of multiple environmental organizations, Jim Stewart from the Sierra Club expressed concern that the Draft Plan was eliminating the Port "backstop" measure that was included in previous AQMPs. Staff explained that previous emission reductions and proposed actions (except for vessel speed reduction) at the Ports have already been achieved and are required by regulation, so there is no longer a need to "backstop" these reductions. In the 2016 AQMP, the proposed Port measures seek additional reductions. U.S. EPA took no action on the previous "backstop" measure in the 2012 AQMP. Mr. Stewart also encouraged making full use of the SCAQMD authority for fleet rules and indirect sources such as warehouses.

William LaMarr of the California Small Business Alliance requested that all the comment letters submitted be posted online. Staff noted that comment letters received since the release of the Draft 2016 AQMP are available online, but the comment letters specifically on Appendix I (Health Effects) are currently being uploaded and should be online today. The delay was due to the legal handling of potential copyrighted material submitted with some of those letters. Comment letters received before the release of the Draft Plan are currently not posted.

**WRITTEN REPORTS:**

**2) Rule 2202 Activity Report**

The report was received as submitted.

**3) Monthly Report on Environmental Justice Initiatives – CEQA Document Commenting Update**

The report was received as submitted.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:14 a.m.

**Attachment**

Attendance Roster

**SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
MOBILE SOURCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Attendance Roster – September 16, 2016**

Dr. Clark E. Parker (videoconference) .....	SCAQMD Governing Board
Dr. William Burke (videoconference) .....	SCAQMD Governing Board
Mayor Larry McCallon .....	SCAQMD Governing Board
Councilmember Judith Mitchell .....	SCAQMD Governing Board
Supervisor Shawn Nelson (videoconference).....	SCAQMD Governing Board
Board Consultant Mark Abramowitz.....	SCAQMD Governing Board (Lyou)
Board Consultant Ron Ketcham .....	SCAQMD Governing Board (McCallon)
Curtis Coleman .....	Southern California Air Quality Alliance
Sue Gornick .....	Western States Petroleum Association
Peter Herzog .....	NAIOP SoCal and Inland Empire
William LaMarr .....	California Small Business Alliance
Noel Muyco .....	SoCalGas
David Rothbart.....	L.A. Sanitation Districts
Erin Sheehy .....	Environmental Compliance Solutions
Susan Stark .....	Tesoro
Wayne Nastri .....	SCAQMD Staff
Jill Whynot.....	SCAQMD Staff
Philip Fine.....	SCAQMD Staff
Barbara Baird .....	SCAQMD Staff
Matt Miyasato .....	SCAQMD Staff
Henry Hogo.....	SCAQMD Staff
Derrick Alatorre .....	SCAQMD Staff
Leah Alfaro .....	SCAQMD Staff
Sam Atwood .....	SCAQMD Staff
Naveen Berry .....	SCAQMD Staff
Arlene Farol .....	SCAQMD Staff
Carol Gomez .....	SCAQMD Staff
Aaron Katzenstein.....	SCAQMD Staff
Michael Krause .....	SCAQMD Staff
Michael O' Kelly .....	SCAQMD Staff
Laki Tisopulos .....	SCAQMD Staff
Kim White.....	SCAQMD Staff
Jillian Wong.....	SCAQMD Staff