

BOARD MEETING DATE: January 9, 2026

AGENDA NO. 1

MINUTES: Governing Board Monthly Meeting

SYNOPSIS: Attached are the Minutes of the December 5, 2025
Board Meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the December 5, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes.

Faye Thomas
Clerk of the Boards

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2025

Notice having been duly given, the meeting of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board was conducted in a hybrid format of in-person attendance in the Dr. William A. Burke Auditorium at the South Coast AQMD Headquarters, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, California 91765, and remotely via videoconferencing and telephone.

Members Present:

Senator Vanessa Delgado (Ret.), Chair
Senate Rules Committee Appointee

Councilmember Michael A. Cacciotti, Vice Chair
Cities of Los Angeles County – Eastern Region

Mayor Patricia Lock Dawson
Cities of Riverside County

Supervisor Curt Hagman
County of San Bernardino

Mayor Pro Tem Larry McCallon
Cities of San Bernardino County

Supervisor Janet Nguyen
County of Orange

Vice Mayor Brenda Olmos
Cities of Los Angeles County – Western Region

Board Member Veronica Padilla-Campos (Arrived at 9:15 a.m.)
Speaker of the Assembly Appointee

Mayor Carlos Rodriguez
Cities of Orange County

Absent: Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell
County of Los Angeles

Supervisor V. Manuel Perez
County of Riverside

Councilmember Nithya Raman
City of Los Angeles

Vacant: Governor's Appointee

For additional details of the Governing Board Meeting, please refer to the recording of the Webcast at: Live Webcast (aqmd.gov)

CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Cacciotti called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

- Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Supervisor Nguyen
- Roll Call

Chair Delgado joined the meeting at 9:05 a.m. and Board Member Padilla-Campos at 9:15 a.m., after roll call.

- Opening Comments

Mayor Rodriguez expressed appreciation to his Board Consultant Debra Mendelsohn for her dedicated service and valuable contributions and extended best wishes to Ms. Mendelsohn and her family. Mayor Pro Tem McCallon also offered his gratitude to Ms. Mendelsohn, acknowledging the valuable counsel and dedicated service she provided in her role as his Board Consultant.

Mayor Lock Dawson thanked colleagues for covering during her absence last month while she attended the UN Climate Change Conference (COP30) in Brazil. She shared encouraging insights from the conference about the impactful work being done by cities and subnational governments to advance climate action. She extended holiday greetings to everyone.

Supervisor Nguyen expressed appreciation to Ms. Mendelsohn for her in-depth knowledge of South Coast AQMD issues and for helping her staff better understand matters that were brought before the Board this year. She wished Ms. Mendelsohn and her husband a happy retirement and thanked Mr. Mendelsohn for his military service to the nation.

Vice Chair Cacciotti provided an update on his recent outreach to faith-based communities and leaders in the San Gabriel Valley. He shared photos from the visits, which included an overview of air quality issues and information on South Coast AQMD programs and laboratory equipment.

Chair Delgado and Vice Chair Cacciotti recognized and honored the life and legacy of community leader and advocate Jesse Marquez, who passed away on November 3, 2025. They recounted his lifelong commitment to environmental justice, as well as his key role in advancing stronger air quality standards. Condolences were extended to the family of Mr. Marquez and a moment of silence was observed in his memory.

Executive Officer Wayne Nastri announced that Governor Newsom has appointed Dr. Cedric Jamie Rutland, a pulmonary and critical care physician from Orange County to the Governing Board. Due to prior travel commitments, Dr. Rutland was unable to attend this month's meeting but is expected to begin participating in January. Executive Officer Nastri also announced that the Mobile Source, Stationary Source, and Technology Committees will not convene in December, with meetings resuming in January; and the

January 2026 Governing Board meeting will be held on the second Friday of the month, January 9, instead of the first Friday. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 23:40.

- Recognize Employees with 20, 25, and 35 Years of Service

John Olvera, Deputy Executive Officer/Administrative & Human Resources introduced a video presentation recognizing the following employees who have reached significant milestones in their years of service to South Coast AQMD:

20 years: Cirila Enriques, Jeremy Graham, Sinde Hooten, Marvin Ignacio, Angela Kim, Michael Koch, Rhonda Laugeson, Vardan Mkrtchyan, Tracy Nguyen, Ashkaan Nikravan, Marcel Saulis, and Sandys Thomas

25 years: Cuong (Kevin) Cao, Bullington Pham, and Richard Rodgers

35 years: William Brill Jr, Eddie Kwan, Maura Matute-Bustamante, Susan Nakamura, Barbara Radlein, Pierre Sycip, and Faye Thomas,

Chair Delgado expressed appreciation to the employees for their many years of dedication and service to the South Coast AQMD.

Board Member Padilla-Campos arrived at 9:15 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – (Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3)

The Public Comment Period on Non-Agenda Items was opened. The following individuals addressed the Board.

Teresa Chen, Industrious Lab on behalf of Southern California Clean Manufacturing Coalition

Tomas Castro, Climate Action Campaign Orange County

Richard Parks, Redeemer Community Partnership

Joaquin Castillejos, Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice
(CCAEJ and Bloomington resident)

Mandeera Wijetunga, Sierra Club and San Fernando Valley resident

David Marrett, Environmental Scientist

Jessie Parks, University of Southern California Master's student

Manuel Maldonado, Otedeges [?] Institute/a grassroots organization

Ken Tran, Sunrise Movement Orange County

Samuel Santiago Herrera, California State University, Long Beach Graduate student

Alex Benach, Pomona College student

Nysa Jain, Undergraduate student

Clarissa Aquino, Pitzer College student and Riverside resident

Mariel Shuler, Scripps College student

Miranda Elder, Pomona College student

Leah Glasser, Pitzer College student
Estephanie Garcia, Physicians for Social Responsibility Los Angeles (PRSLA)
Margee Hills, Sierra Club
Tatiana Flores, CCAEJ and Moreno Valley resident
Heavan Denham, University of California, Riverside PhD student and South Coast AQMD Young Leaders Advisory Council member
Anthony Agama, Climate Action Campaign Orange County
Ebony Guerrero, College student
Obed Leon, Fullerton College student
Sapna Peruvemba, PhD student in San Bernardino County
Ayn Craciun, Climate Action Campaign, Orange County
Ashley Jackson, California Environmental Voters
Nancy Lam, Redeemer Community Partnership
Marven Norman, CCAEJ and San Bernardino resident
Whitney Amaya, East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice (EYCEJ) and Trade, Health, and Environment (T.H.E.) Impact Project,
Vanessa Rivas Villanueva, Earthjustice and SoCal Clean Manufacturing Coalition
Luis Carretero, CCAEJ and San Bernardino resident
Danielle Marie Miller, University of California, Irvine student
Emily Zhu, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) student
Luz Johanna Perez, CCAEJ and Fontana resident
Lizbeth Abeln, Inland Coalition for Immigrant Justice and San Bernardino resident
Claudia Cuevas, San Bernardino community member (via Spanish interpreter)
Alexis DeJesus, CCAEJ
Nicole Mervis, Women for American Values and Ethics (WAVE) member and Orange County resident
Emily Escobar, Planned Parenthood of Orange and San Bernardino Counties
Kayla Lam, UCLA student

Comments from the above speakers included the following:

- Urged the Board to prioritize adoption of zero-emission boiler standards for Rules 1146 and 1146.1;
- Commented on the health risks and premature mortality associated with NOx emissions from industrial boilers, particularly in disproportionately impacted communities;
- Noted that zero-emission boiler technologies are currently available and offer economic, health, and worker safety benefits;
- Expressed disappointment with missed opportunities this year to pursue NOx reductions; and
- Advocated for rules that incentivize green energy and create green jobs.

Theral Golden, West Long Beach Association, commented on the importance of Rules 1146 and 1146.1 to the overall health and well-being of the Basin and emphasized the need to continue working for a cleaner environment. He advocated for keeping and

strengthening the Environmental Justice Advisory Group (EJAG) to guide future efforts. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:06:15.

Chris Chavez, Coalition for Clean Air, commented on missed opportunities to reduce NOx emissions and echoed the sentiments shared by others about the urgent need for strong regulations that reduce air pollution and promote zero-emission. He expressed concern that the South Coast AQMD still falls short of meeting air quality standards, with federal attainment deadlines looming and potential sanctions. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:13:01.

A few commenters acknowledged the contributions and legacy of the late Jesse Marquez.

There being no further requests to speak, the Public Comment Period on Non-Agenda Items was closed.

Written Comments Regarding Support for Strengthening Rules 1146 and 1146.1

Will Barrett, American Lung Association, California



CONSENT AND BOARD CALENDAR

Items 1 and 2 – Action Items/No Fiscal Impact

1. Approve Minutes of November 7, 2025 Board Meeting
2. Set Public Hearings January 9, 2026 to Consider Amendments to South Coast AQMD Rules and Regulations:
 - A. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 463 – Organic Liquid Storage, Is Exempt from CEQA; Amend Rule 463; and Submit Rule 463 Into State Implementation Plan
 - B. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1111 – Reduction of NOx Emissions from Natural-Gas-Fired, Fan-Type Central Furnaces, Is Exempt from CEQA; Amend Rule 1111; and Submit Rule 1111 Into State Implementation Plan
 - C. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1118 – Control of Emissions from Refinery Flares, Is Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rule 1118

Items 3 through 12 – Budget/Fiscal Impact

3. Recognize Revenue, Amend Contracts for AB 617 Residential Air Filtration Program and Reimburse General Fund
4. Execute Contract to Assess Emissions of a Linear Generator
5. Recognize Revenue, Execute Contracts and Reimburse General Fund to Deploy Marine Shore-Side Charging Infrastructure
6. Approve Payments for Contracts

7. Issue RFP for Technical Assistance to Support South Coast AQMD's Technology Advancement Office Activities and Programs Implementation Efforts
8. Recognize Revenue and Authorize EV Charging Fees to Implement New EV Charger Network at South Coast AQMD Headquarters
9. Recognize Revenue and Execute Contracts to Deploy Zero-Emission Commercial Workboats
10. Authorize Multi-Year Purchase Order With Pitney Bowes for Lease and Maintenance of Mailing System
11. Execute Contract Amendment for Street Sweeping With Coachella Valley Association of Governments Using Incentive Funding From South Coast AQMD Special Revenue Fund
12. Issue Program Opportunity Notice, Approve Modified MOUs and Approve New and Modified Awards as Approved by MSRC

Items 13 through 20 – Information Only/Receive and File

13. Legislative, Public Affairs and Media Report
14. Hearing Board Report
15. Civil Filings and Civil Penalties Report
16. Intergovernmental Review of Environmental Documents and CEQA Lead Agency Projects
17. Rule and Control Measure Forecast
18. Annual Audited Financial Statements for FY Ended June 30, 2025
19. Report to Legislature and CARB on South Coast AQMD's Regulatory Activities for Calendar Year 2024
20. Status Report on Major Ongoing and Upcoming Projects for Information Management

Items 21 through 25 – Reports for Committees, MSRC, and CARB

Note: The November 14, 2025 Legislative Committee meeting and November 21, 2025 Mobile Source Committee meetings were cancelled.

21. Administrative Committee
22. Stationary Source Committee
23. Technology Committee
24. Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee
25. California Air Resources Board Monthly Report
26. Items Deferred from Consent and Board Calendar

There were no items deferred.

Disclosures

Mayor Pro Tem McCallon and Supervisor Hagman reported that they do not have a financial interest in Agenda Item No. 12 but are required to identify for the record that they are members of the Board of Directors for the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, which is involved in this item.

Supervisor Nguyen recused herself from Agenda Item No. 2A because of a financial interest in Kinder Morgan, Inc., which is materially affected by this item.

Mayor Lock Dawson reported that she does not have a financial interest in Agenda Item No. 9 but is required to identify for the record that she is a board member for the California Air Resources Board, which is involved in this item.



The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item Nos. 1-25. The following individuals addressed the Board.

Agenda Item No. 8

Marven Norman, CCAEJ, expressed support for the EV charging network at the South Coast AQMD headquarters and highlighted the convenience of having public access charging stations at this location. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:23:45.

Agenda Item No. 22

Tom Koutroulis and Casey Corliss, OC Waste & Recycling, commented on the environmental benefits of the covered aerated static pile (CASP) composting technology, expressed concern that the permitting requirements treat CASP equipment as a new emissions source, and suggested that such equipment should not require a permit. They highlighted that organic processing facilities provide an essential public service and that CASP technology offers an effective way to help meet Senate Bill (SB) 1383 requirements to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. They questioned the purpose of forming a working group for potential amendments to Regulation XIII, noting that it could delay action when time is of the essence. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:24:37.

Agenda Item No. 21

Chris Chavez, Coalition for Clean Air, expressed concerns regarding the proposal to eliminate the Environmental Justice Advisory Group (EJAG). He acknowledged that the current advisory group structure is not working but emphasized the need to ensure that environmental justice communities are meaningfully engaged in air quality discussions. He urged staff to collaborate with the environmental justice communities to develop a solution that works for all. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:27:48.

Agenda Item No. 2A

Ramine Ross, Western States Petroleum Association (WSPA), expressed appreciation to South Coast AQMD staff for their work on the proposed amendments to Rule 463. WSPA members value the clarifications included in the proposal. For additional

details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:29:25.

Harvey Eder, Public Solar Power Coalition – [Mr. Eder was advised that his comments were not relevant to Agenda Item Nos. 1-25, and his remarks were concluded]. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:30:06.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item Nos. 1-25.

Chair Delgado acknowledged that concerns about the proposed elimination of EJAG and the Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group have been heard. She noted there are existing structural issues with the two groups and reported that a proposal to consolidate them will be discussed at the December 12 Administrative Committee meeting.

Written Comments Regarding Request to Restructure—Not Eliminate—the Local Government & Small Business Assistance Advisory Group (LGSBA)

James Breitling, Councilmember, City of Upland and LGSBA Advisory Group Representative

Written Comments Regarding Proposed Revisions to Board Committees and Advisory Groups

Chris Chavez, Coalition for Clean Air



Board Action (Items 1-25)

MOVED BY HAGMAN AND SECONDED BY CACCIOTTI TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NOS. 1 THROUGH 25 AS RECOMMENDED, INCLUDING TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE COMMITTEES, MSRC, AND CARB REPORTS.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Delgado, Hagman, McCallon, Nguyen (except Item No. 2A), Olmos, Padilla-Campos, and Rodriguez

NOES: None

RECUSE: Nguyen (only Item No. 2A)

ABSENT: Mitchell, Perez, and Raman



STAFF PRESENATION/BOARD DISCUSSION/RECEIVE & FILE

27. Background on Emission Offset Requirements and Priority Reserve (Presentation in Lieu of Board Letter – *No Action Required*)

Jason Aspell, Deputy Executive Officer/Engineering & Permitting, gave the staff presentation on Agenda Item No. 27. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:32:45.

Mayor Lock Dawson noted that SB 1383 supported the use of renewable natural gas (RNG) generated from recovered organic waste for fueling waste collection fleets; however, that would not be allowed under CARB's new fleet regulations, posing a challenge for operators who had planned to use RNG to power their fleets. She asked whether this issue would be addressed by the proposed Working Group and requested to be kept informed of any results that could guide her in future discussions with CARB. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:47:31.

Executive Officer Nastri explained the complexity of the New Source Review program, adding that staff will be moving forward and will need to ensure any changes are in compliance with federal requirements and will not result in a permit moratorium. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:48:56.

Board Member Padilla-Campos inquired about the process for establishing the Working Group and whether environmental justice organizations would be invited to participate. Staff explained that the Working Group will be established following the standard rulemaking practice of conducting outreach to interested parties and other stakeholders, including environmental justice groups. The Working Group will be open to the public as well. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:50:35.

Mayor Rodriguez inquired about the purpose of the Working Group, the timeline for OC Waste & Recycling's permitting, the reasons composting processes cannot be exempted under Rule 219 for publicly operated facilities or clarified under Rule 1304, and why there is no urgency in capturing biogenic VOC's. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:52:21.

Mr. Aspell explained that the permitting projects are on different timelines, but progress is anticipated in 2026 and commented on major hurdles the waste industry faces, including the need to purchase ERC's that cause significant delays in the permitting process. Permit exemptions under Rule 219 would require amendments to the rule and then receive approval from U.S. EPA. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:53:30.

Mayor Rodriguez recommended that staff reconsider a rule interpretation for these landfills, rather than going through a formal rule amendment. Executive Officer Nastri replied that staff did consider a rule interpretation, but determined it was not feasible. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:53:30.

Mayor Rodriguez acknowledged that some applicants have been waiting for their permits for approximately five years and questioned why projects that reduce emissions would require emission offsets, noting that sufficient credits are reportedly in the priority reserve. He expressed concerns about the potentially costly delays that stakeholders are experiencing, encouraged staff to reconsider the rule interpretation, and expressed interest in the outcome of the Working Group. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:55:52.

Mr. Aspell explained that staff is permitting composting facilities that have emission controls and there are mechanisms to reduce the amount of ERCs needed such as increasing control efficiencies and committing to permit limits. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:56:50.

In response to Mayor Rodriguez, Susan Nakamura, Chief Operating Officer, noted that the purpose of the Working Group is to explore options, be creative, and see what can be done to address this issue. The first Working Group meeting is planned for January. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:57:57.

Supervisor Nguyen inquired about the expected timeline for the Working Group to present its findings or recommendations to the Board or Committee, emphasizing the need for urgency to address the issues, highlighting that this affects waste and recycling facilities throughout the Basin, and commenting on concerns about higher costs that will impact residents. Executive Officer Nastri commented that the Working Group meeting will be convened in January 2026 with an update to the Stationary Source Committee in February or March. He noted that similar challenges exist for other air districts. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:58:57.

Mayor Rodriguez commented on the urgency of the matter and recommended that the Working Group present its findings to the Stationary Source Committee in February. He highlighted the recent success in resolving port-related issues within a short timeframe, urging the same level of urgency for this matter. Mayor Rodriguez encouraged staff to do their best to avoid extending this matter into the second quarter of 2026. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:02:57.

Executive Officer Nastri indicated that reporting to the Stationary Source Committee in February may be challenging if the Working Group convenes late in January as this would not allow adequate time for meaningful analysis. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:03:27.

Mayor Pro Tem McCallon acknowledged the complexity of the issue but also recognized that there needs to be some urgency. He encouraged staff to report to the Stationary Source Committee as soon as possible and noted that other Board Members have also expressed the need for timely action. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:04:36.

Supervisor Nguyen asked whether the Working Group would be addressing composting issues or the landfill RNG project. Ms. Nakamura responded that both topics will be addressed under rules within the New Source Review regulations, noting that any changes to these regulations will require U.S. EPA approval. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:05:32.

Supervisor Nguyen proposed bifurcating the issues by broadening the definition of essential public services for the landfill RNG separately to allow that component to move forward, while the other issue could continue to be addressed through the Working Group process. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:06:07.

Mr. Aspell explained that the concern for sulfur emissions and how those emissions can significantly affect the amount of ERCs potentially exceeding the CEQA threshold, which would then result in a permit moratorium. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:06:34.



28. 2025 State and Federal Legislative Recap and 2026 Priority Outlook (Presentation in Lieu of Board Letter)

The presentation on Agenda Item No. 28 was continued to the January 9, 2026 meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem McCallon commented on the recent lifting of the conformity lockdown, which had been triggered by U.S. EPA's disapproval of California's emissions waiver. He inquired whether the federal administration's recent rollback of the Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards could affect CARB's emissions model and potentially lead to another conformity lockdown. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:08:24.

Sarah Rees, Deputy Executive Officer/Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation, noted that the conformity lockdown was lifted because U.S. EPA took the first step in approving CARB's EMFAC2025 model. She acknowledged that the repeal of the CAFE standards and other potential regulatory changes could affect emissions estimates versus what is in the SIP. Staff will continue to monitor and evaluate as these developments unfold. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:09:40.

In response to Board Member Padilla-Campos, Executive Officer Nastri confirmed that staff can bring this item back to the Board in January. He explained that the rationale for adding it to the December agenda was due to timing considerations related to the legislative calendar. However, staff is working with Vice Chair Cacciotti and the Legislative Committee to move forward in a way that the Board would support. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:10:28.

Board Member Padilla-Campos asked whether community outreach is planned for SB 526 (Menjivar) in 2026 and if there is a proposed timeline for amendments to Rule 1157.

Executive Officer Nastri responded that the proposed amendments to Rule 1157 are scheduled for the third quarter of 2026. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:11:07.

Lisa Tanaka, Deputy Executive Officer/Legislative, Public Affair, & Media, explained that staff has a comprehensive approach with the Senator's office that includes compliance and enforcement, AB 617, rulemaking, monitoring, and community outreach and engagement.

Board Member Padilla-Campos shared that the Pacoima Beautiful team is interested in getting involved and offered their assistance in the outreach efforts. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:12:07.



PUBLIC HEARINGS

29. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1107 – Coating of Metal Parts and Products, Is Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rule 1107

Michael Morris, Planning & Rules Manager/Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation, gave the staff presentation on Agenda Item No. 30. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:14:04.

Supervisor Nguyen expressed concern that business owners are uncertain and anxious that there is no approved test method for thin film coating. She commented on the importance of providing clear, written guidance to business owners and inspectors to ensure consistent understanding and implementation. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:14:04.

Terrence Mann, Deputy Executive Officer/Compliance & Enforcement, explained that field inspectors are well-prepared for site visits and that if any complicated issues arise, they are handled at the management level in coordination with other divisions before taking action. Mr. Krause added that staff will be providing written guidance to business owners on the South Coast AQMD website. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:20:12.

Vice Mayor Olmos requested clarification on how inspectors know which coatings are subject to which emission limit. Mr. Morris responded that the operators communicate the application they are using and the inspectors can verify the appropriate emission limits, and explained that most operators are not using the specialty coatings. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:21:50.

The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item No. 29. The following individuals addressed the Board.

Rita Loof, RadTech International, thanked staff for certain aspects of PAR 1107 and for taking the time to listen to their concerns. She expressed concern that U.S. EPA has not approved a test method and requested that South Coast AQMD staff collaborate with them in seeking U.S. EPA approval of ASTM D7767. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at beginning at 2:23:01.

Bill Quinn, California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance (CCEEB), expressed support for PAR 1107 and its broader efforts to phase out pCBtF and t-BAC. He thanked staff for collaborating with stakeholders to identify products that will need reformulation, engaging with manufacturers and end users, and including a technology review in the Resolution to ensure viable replacement products. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at beginning at 2:24:41.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item No. 29.

Board Action (Item 29)

THIS ITEM WAS MOVED AND SECONDED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NO. 29 AS RECOMMENDED AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 25-23:

- 1) DETERMINING THAT PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 1107 – COATING OF METAL PARTS AND PRODUCTS, IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT; AND
- 2) AMENDING RULE 1107.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Delgado, Hagman, McCallon, Nguyen, Olmos, Padilla-Campos, and Rodriguez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mitchell, Perez, and Raman



30. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1469 – Hexavalent Chromium Emissions from Chromium Electroplating and Chromic Acid Anodizing Operations, Is Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rule 1469

Kalam Cheung, Planning & Rules Manager/Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation, gave the staff presentation on Agenda Item No. 30. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:26:31.

Supervisor Hagman inquired whether the affected facilities had been notified of the proposed amendments, noting the need to prevent unintended consequences when

regulating certain industries. Dr. Cheung confirmed that all impacted facilities were included in the outreach, which included email notifications, regulatory advisories, and physical mailings. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:32:39.

Vice Mayor Olmos recommended extending outreach to city officials, including City Managers, to ensure they can engage with local facilities that use hexavalent chromium regarding potential regulatory changes. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:33:34.

The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item No. 30. The following individual addressed the Board.

Harvey Eder, Public Solar Power Coalition – [Mr. Eder was advised that his comments were not relevant to Agenda Item No. 30, and his remarks were concluded.]. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:34:13.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item No. 30.

Board Action (Item 30)

MOVED BY HAGMAN AND SECONDED BY MCCALLON
TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NO. 30 AS RECOMMENDED
AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 25-24:

- 1) DETERMINING THAT PAR 1469 – HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM EMISSIONS FROM CHROMIUM ELECTROPLATING AND CHROMIC ACID ANODIZING OPERATIONS, IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT; AND
- 2) AMENDING RULE 1469 – HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM EMISSIONS FROM CHROMIUM ELECTROPLATING AND CHROMIC ACID ANODIZING OPERATIONS.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Delgado, Hagman, McCallon, Nguyen, Olmos, Padilla-Campos, and Rodriguez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mitchell, Perez, and Raman



31. Receive and File 2024 Annual Report on AB 2588 Program and Approve Updates to Facility Prioritization Procedure for AB 2588 Program, Public Notification Procedures, and AB 2588 and Rule 1402 Supplemental Guidelines

Scott Epstein, Planning & Rules Manager/Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation, gave the staff presentation on Agenda Item No. 31. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:35:43.

Board Member Padilla-Campos inquired about the typical timeline to complete a Health Risk Assessment (HRA). Dr. Epstein responded that the timeline varies depending on the facility and its complexity. There is a 90-day requirement for a facility to submit a draft; however, the review process often involves back-and-forth communications and getting OEHHA's final approval can also extend the timeline. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:48:13.

In response to Board Member Padilla-Campos's inquiry about the availability of HRA's in digital format and the updated HRA checklist regarding accurate submissions, Dr. Epstein confirmed that the documents are available online at www.aqmd.gov/ab2588. He explained that HRAs involve complex scientific analysis, and modeling recommendations are regularly updated to ensure accurate risk assessments. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:49:32.

The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item No. 31. The following individual addressed the Board.

Harvey Eder – [Mr. Eder was advised that his comments were not relevant to Agenda Item No. 31, and his remarks were concluded.] For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:50:43.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item No. 31.

Board Action (Item 31)

MOVED BY HAGMAN AND SECONDED BY CACCIOTTI TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NO. 30 AS RECOMMENDED TO:

- 1) RECEIVE AND FILE THE ANNUAL REPORT ON THE AB 2588 PROGRAM; AND
- 2) APPROVE UPDATES TO THE FOLLOWING GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS – FACILITY PRIORITIZATION PROCEDURE FOR THE AB 2588 PROGRAM; PUBLIC NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES; AND AB 2588 AND RULE 1402 SUPPLEMENTAL GUIDELINES.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Delgado, Hagman, McCallon, Nguyen, Olmos, Padilla-Campos, and Rodriguez

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mitchell, Perez, and Raman



CLOSED SESSION

The Board did not meet in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Delgado extended holiday wishes to all and adjourned the final meeting of 2025 at 11:51 a.m.

The foregoing is a true statement of the proceedings held by the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board on December 5, 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

Faye Thomas
Clerk of the Boards

Date Minutes Approved: _____

Vanessa Delgado, Chair

ACRONYMS

CARB = California Air Resources Board

CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act

ERCs = Emission Reduction Credits

FY = Fiscal Year

MSRC = Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee

OEHHA = Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment

PAR = Proposed Amended Rule

pCBtF = para-Chlorobenzotrifluoride

t-BAC = tert-Butyl Acetate