July 9, 2010

Office of the Secretary for Resources
Attn: General Counsel’s Office
1416 9th Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find two copies of the Notice of Decision (NOD) for the CEQA document prepared for Proposed Amended Rule (PAR) 1193 – Clean On-Road Residential and Commercial Refuse Collection Vehicles. The Final Subsequent Environmental Assessment (SEA) for PAR 1193 was prepared pursuant to CEQA and the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) certified regulatory program. The CEQA document was certified by SCAQMD's Governing Board at its July 9, 2010 Public Hearing. Please record and post the NOD according to the provisions of CEQA.

SCAQMD Rule 110 requires that written responses to public comments on a SCAQMD CEQA document be filed with the Secretary of Resources along with the Notice of Decision. Two comment letters were received from the public during the public review period from March 17, 2010 to April 15, 2010. One comment letter did not contain comments relative to the environmental analysis in the Draft SEA, so was forwarded to the rules staff to provide responses in the Final Staff Report. The other comment letter is included in Appendix C of the attached Final SEA along with responses to comments.

It was determined that the proposed project qualifies for the “no effect” fee exemption in accordance with recently revised Department of Fish and Game Code §711.4, Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR) and, therefore, a copy of the signed Fish and Game “no effect” fee exemption form is attached to prove compliance and ensure immediate posting of the NOD.

Please confirm receipt of one copy of the NOD and return it to the undersigned. Two return envelopes have been provided for your convenience (one for the confirmed copy upon receipt, and one for the original NOD to be returned after the posting period). If you have any questions, please call me at (909) 396-3054 or James Koizumi at (909) 396-3234.

Sincerely,

Steve Smith, Ph.D.
CEQA Program Supervisor
Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources

Enclosures
NOTICE OF DECISION

To: Office of the Secretary for Resources General Counsel’s Office 1416 9th Street, Suite 1311 Sacramento, CA 95814

From: SCAQMD Planning, Rules and Area Sources 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Subject: FILING OF NOTICE OF DECISION IN COMPLIANCE WITH §21080.5 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

Project Title: Final Subsequent Environmental Assessment (SEA) for Proposed Amended Rule (PAR) 1193 – Clean On-Road Residential and Commercial Refuse Collection Vehicles

Lead Agency: South Coast Air Quality Management District

SCAQMD Number: 100309JK Date Certified: July 9, 2010

SCH No.: 2010031084

Contact Person: James Koizumi Telephone Number: (909) 396-3234

Project Location: South Coast Air Quality Management District area of jurisdiction: South Coast Air Basin (all of Orange County and the nondesert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties), and the Riverside County portions of the Salton Sea Air Basin and Mojave Desert Air Basin

Project Description: PAR 1193 would revise rule language for consistency with court decisions, and would direct local and state government (“including the State of California, counties, cities and special districts, and private entities under contract to, or operating under an exclusive license or a franchise with state and local government entities”) to purchase, procure, lease, and/or contract 100 percent rule compliant vehicles. In addition, amendments are proposed to address solid waste collection services and to establish procedures for when rule compliant vehicles have been ordered, but have not been delivered by the start of service, as well as the use of backup vehicles due to vehicle breakdown.

This is to advise that the South Coast Air Quality Management District has approved the above described project and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. The project will not have a significant impact on the environment.
2. Mitigation measures not were made a condition of the approval of this project.
3. A mitigation monitoring program under PRC § 21081.6 was not adopted for this project.
4. Findings were not adopted for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.

The Final SEA, supporting documentation, and record of project approval may be examined at: SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

Date Received for Filing ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________

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