

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF, OR AMENDMENT TO, THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE  
SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
AND PROPOSED SUBMISSION INTO THE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

**RE: Proposed Rule 2305 – Warehouse Indirect Source Rule – Warehouse Actions and Investments  
to Reduce Emissions (WAIRE) Program and Proposed Rule 316 – Fees for Rule 2305**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Public Hearing on the matter of adoption of rules and regulations for the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD), or the amendments thereto, will be held on **Friday, April 2, 2021** at 9:00 a.m., at which time evidence will be taken and all interested persons will be heard by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board. Given the concerns regarding COVID-19, the meeting will be conducted via webcast with opportunities for public comment. Please refer to the instructions on the South Coast AQMD's website for details on how to participate: <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/news-events/meeting-agendas-minutes>.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that South Coast AQMD is considering the adoption of Proposed Rule 2305 (PR 2305) and Proposed Rule 316 (PR 316). PR 2305 is designed to reduce oxides of nitrogen and diesel particulate matter emissions to assist in meeting state and federal air quality standards for ozone and fine particulate matter, and to facilitate emission and exposure reductions from these pollutants related to warehouse operations. Emission reductions from PR 2305 would also support the goals of several AB 617 communities. PR 2305 would establish a menu-based points system that would apply to owners and operators of warehouses at least 100,000 square feet in size. PR 2305 will require warehouse operators to annually earn a prescribed number of points based on the truck trips that visit the warehouses. Points may be earned by acquiring or using any of the following: near-zero or zero emission (ZE) trucks, ZE yard trucks, ZE charging and fueling infrastructure, solar panels, and/or installing filters in ventilation systems for nearby sensitive land uses. Points may also be earned by developing and implementing a site-specific custom plan or paying a mitigation fee. PR 316 has been developed to establish fees for warehouse operators to fund South Coast AQMD compliance activities associated with PR 2305.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that a written analysis pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 40727.2 has been prepared that identifies all existing state and federal air pollution control requirements, all South Coast AQMD existing and proposed rules and regulations, and all pollution control requirements that apply to the same equipment or source type as the rule proposed for adoption.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that PR 2305 will be submitted to the California Air Resources Board and the United States Environmental Protection Agency for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that PR 2305 and PR 316 implement sections of the Clean Air Act including 42 U.S.C. §§ 7410, 7416, 7502, 7511a, and 7513a.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the South Coast AQMD has prepared documents for consideration by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board, including:

- PR 2305 and PR 316
- Staff Report for PR 2305 and PR 316
- Environmental Assessment for PR 2305 and PR 316, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for PR 2305 and PR 316
- Comparative Analysis for PR 2305, included in the Staff Report
- WAIRE Program Implementation Guidelines, included in the Staff Report

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the above documents may be obtained from the South Coast AQMD website at <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules>, or by calling the South Coast AQMD's Public Information Center at (909) 396-2001, or from: Mr. Derrick Alatorre – Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2432, [dalatorre@aqmd.gov](mailto:dalatorre@aqmd.gov).

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that at the conclusion of the Public Hearing, consistent with Health and Safety Code Section 40726, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board may make other modifications to PR 2305 and PR 316, which are justified by the evidence presented, or may decline to adopt it.

Interested persons may provide oral or written statements at the Public Hearing. Individuals who wish to submit written or electronic comments must submit such comments to: Clerk of the Board, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA, 91765-4178, (909) 396-2500, or to [cob@aqmd.gov](mailto:cob@aqmd.gov) on or before 5:00 p.m. on March 30, 2021. In addition, interested persons may submit comments regarding PR 2305 and PR 316 to Mr. Victor Juan at [vjuan@aqmd.gov](mailto:vjuan@aqmd.gov), (909) 396-2374; CEQA comments to Ryan Bañuelos, at [rbanuelos@aqmd.gov](mailto:rbanuelos@aqmd.gov), (909) 396-3982, and Socioeconomic Impact Assessment comments to Paul Stroik, at [pstroik@aqmd.gov](mailto:pstroik@aqmd.gov), (909) 396-2851.

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DATED: February 25, 2021

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Clerk of the Boards