# South Coast Air Quality Management District Notice of Public Workshop

# PROPOSED AMENDENDED RULE 1124 – AEROSPACE ASSEMBLY AND COMPONENT MANUFACTURING OPERATIONS

Wednesday, January 7, 2026 9:00 a.m.

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The Public Workshop will be conducted via video conferencing (Zoom) which can be accessed via personal computer or smart phone. Alternatively, stakeholders can phone-in to participate. We understand that this is not the same as an in-person public meeting; however, staff will take the time to listen to comments from all stakeholders. You are invited to attend the meeting electronically through Zoom. Instructions on how to participate can be found at the top of this notice.

#### Purpose of This Meeting

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) has scheduled a Public Workshop to present and solicit information and suggestions from the public on Proposed Amended Rule 1124 – Aerospace Assembly and Component Manufacturing Operations (PAR 1124) which is scheduled for a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on March 6, 2026 (subject to change).

#### Background

Rule 1124 – Aerospace Assembly and Component Manufacturing Operations (Rule 1124) was originally adopted by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board in 1979 to reduce volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from aerospace materials used in aerospace assembly and component manufacturing operations. Since its adoption, Rule 1124 has undergone 19 amendments, with the most recent in 2001, which incorporated updated VOC limits, and added definitions and recordkeeping requirements

# Objective of Proposed Amended Rule

The objective of PAR 1124 is to reduce the health risk from the use of two exempt, or partially exempt, solvents: *para*-chlorobenzotrifluoride (pCBtF) and *tert*-butyl acetate (t-BAc). For aerospace material categories that were identified as not containing pCBtF or t-BAc but alternatives are readily available, staff is proposing a prohibition and phase out of these solvents. For coating categories identified as reliant on the use of pCBtF or t-BAc, PAR 1124 provides three compliance options for facilities applying aerospace materials: 1) install air pollution control equipment; 2) apply for a low-use permit limit; or 3) phase out the use of pCBtF and t-BAc and transition to alternatives. The proposed amendments also include clarifications and updates to definitions, structure, and cross-references to maintain consistency with other South Coast AQMD rules.

#### California Environmental Quality Act

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and South Coast AQMD's certified regulatory program (Public Resources Code Section 21080.5, CEQA Guidelines Section 15251(l) and South Coast AQMD Rule 110), the South Coast AQMD, as lead agency, is currently reviewing the proposed

project (PAR 1124) to determine if it will result in any potential adverse environmental impacts. Appropriate CEQA documentation will be prepared based on the analysis.

# **Available Supporting Documents**

The following supporting documents will be available no later than December 19, 2025:

- Preliminary Draft PAR 1124
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for PAR 1124

### To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of the Preliminary Draft PAR 1124 and Preliminary Draft Staff Report may be obtained from:

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The documents will also be available on the South Coast AQMD website at:

https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules/rule-1124

### Americans with Disabilities Act and Language Accessibility

Disability and language-related accommodations can be requested to allow participation in the Public Workshop. The agenda will be made available, upon request, in appropriate alternative formats to assist persons with a disability (Gov. Code Section 54954.2(a)). In addition, other documents may be requested in alternative formats and languages. Any disability or language-related accommodation must be requested as soon as practicable. Requests will be accommodated unless providing the accommodation would result in a fundamental alteration or undue burden to the South Coast AQMD. Please contact Marissa Poon at (909) 396-2119 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to mpoon@aqmd.gov.

# Key Contacts for Submitting Comments or Documents

Attendees are invited to ask questions and make comments during the Public Workshop. Comments, documents, studies, reports, or other relevant information may be submitted to the following contacts:

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Staff requests written comments on PAR 1124 be submitted no later than January 21, 2026.

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Gov. Code Section 7920.000 et seq.) your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the public record and can be released to the public on request or posted on the South Coast AQMD website.