NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF, OR AMENDMENT TO,
THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RE: Proposed Amended Rule 1469.1 – Spraying Operations Using Coatings Containing Chromium

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, May 7, 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 health and safety concerns regarding the coronavirus (COVID-19), this 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 the South Coast AQMD is considering the adoption of Proposed Amended Rule 1469.1 (PAR 1469.1) to further reduce point and fugitive sources of hexavalent chromium emissions from facilities that spray chromate coatings by enhancing parameter monitoring of air pollution controls for chromate spraying, establishing requirements for air pollution controls, and other requirements for activities involving the disturbance of dried chromate coatings, and enhancing requirements for housekeeping and best management practices.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendments to Rule 1469.1 will not be submitted for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendments to Rule 1469.1 implements Section 112 of the Clean Air Act.

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 and guidelines that apply to the same equipment or source type as the rule proposed for amendment.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15002(k) and 15061, the proposed project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). A Notice of Exemption will be prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062, and if the proposed project is approved, the Notice of Exemption will be filed for posting with the State Clearinghouse of the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the South Coast AQMD staff has prepared the following documents relevant to the proposed amended rule, including:

Proposed Amended Rule 1469.1

Staff Report including the Comparative Analysis for Proposed Amended Rule 1469.1

Socioeconomic Assessment for Proposed Amended Rule 1469.1, included in the Staff Report

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the above documents may be obtained from the South Coast AQMD's 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.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the conclusion of the public hearing, consistent with Health and Safety Code Section 40726, the South Coast AQMD Board may make other modifications to PAR 1469.1, which are justified by the evidence presented, or may decline to adopt it.

Please direct questions, comments or requests for clarification regarding: PAR 1469.1 to Yunnie Osias, yosias@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-3219; CEQA to Kevin Ni, kni@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-2462; Socioeconomic Assessment to Brian Vlasich, bvlasich@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-2167. Comments can also be submitted to the attention of the above person(s) to Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

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 the Clerk of the Boards, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA, 91765-4178, (909) 396-2500, or to cob@aqmd.gov on or before 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

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DATED: March 31, 2021 FAYE THOMAS
Clerk of the Boards