

Chair Delgado and Members of the Board  
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**RE: Agenda Item No. 28 - Support Moving Forward with Proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1121**

Dear Chair Delgado and Members of the Board:

On behalf of Breathe Southern California, I write to support the South Coast AQMD's efforts to clean up appliance pollution through amending Rules 1111 and 1121. This proposed regulatory package will achieve significant emission reductions that are desperately needed for our health. This effort is also consistent with the 2022 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP), which determined that "[t]he only way to achieve the required NOx reductions is through extensive use of zero emission technologies across all stationary and mobile sources."<sup>1</sup> Given the serious pollution in this region, these health gains from advancing zero-emissions will benefit millions. Importantly, while these rule amendments are significantly weaker and more slowly phased in than previous versions, we still believe it represents an important step in pushing forward for cleaning up appliances in the region.

While opponents of the rule have sought to portray these rule amendments in a negative light, many of them have relied on misinformation. These efforts ignore the immense benefits that will accrue to the region from moving forward. For example, the agency's socioeconomic analysis shows that the only new jobs created by this rule are from new zero-emission appliances in the region. In addition, the health benefits of the rules are staggering. The agency has [estimated](#) that these rules will prevent **2,490 premature deaths**, and the health benefits of the proposal are estimated to be **\$25.43 billion**.

We appreciate AQMD staff's significant work on these proposed amendments to Rules 1111 and 1121. We urge the Governing Board to move forward with these proposed rules. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tigran Agdaian, Breathe Southern California's Manager of Advocacy & Public Policy, at [TAgdaian@breathesocal.org](mailto:TAgdaian@breathesocal.org).

Sincerely,



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<sup>1</sup> South Coast AQMD, 2022 AQMP, at Executive Summary.