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RE: Comments on Proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1121

Dear Chair Delgado and Members of the Board,

We urge the SCAQMD Governing Board to postpone consideration/adoption of PAR 1111/1121. This delay will allow District staff to better inform the millions of Southern California residents of these proposed rules and to address the many unanswered questions regarding cost, technology, and the availability of potential incentives.

The City of Dana Point is aware of two proposed rules being advanced by SCAQMD staff for consideration by your Governing Board. On behalf of our residents, business owners and organizations, we express our opposition to Proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1121. We urge you to defer consideration of these rules to allow SCAQMD Governing Board members and staff to gather additional information, data, input, and dialogue from the numerous stakeholders potentially impacted by these proposals.

We have significant concerns regarding the scale of the mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and other requirements necessary to comply with retrofits of existing commercial buildings, single family homes and multifamily residential properties. Additionally, we are troubled by the potential cost implications for thousands of families in Dana Point.

We believe it is highly likely that if Rules 1111 and 1121 are adopted by the Governing Board, the high costs of compliance will force the owners of older multifamily properties to sell or redevelop their properties, subsequently resulting in a dramatic reduction in the availability of affordable housing in our city and across the region.

Our City Council shares your commitment to clean air and water and other quality of life benefits that draw and retain the residents and business owners who live here. However, the current versions of PAR 1111 and 1121 may result in negative consequences, impacting jobs and increasing the cost of living in our region.

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cc: City Council