## **Jennifer Vinh**

From:Terry TrombatoreSent:Tuesday, April 15, 2025 3:10 PMTo:Jennifer VinhSubject:[EXTERNAL] Proposed Amended Rules 1111 & 1121

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Hon. Vanessa Delgado, Chair South Coast Air Quality Management District 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

## RE: OPPOSE – Proposed Amended Rules 1111 & 1121 - as released February 28

Dear Chair Delgado and Governing Board Members:

Terry and Joan Trombatore, I write to express our strong opposition to the proposed amendments to Rules 1111 and 1121.

We recently replaced our old floor furnace with a complete forced air heating unit costing well over \$10,000. Now you want me to replace it with an electrical heater? We also have a gas range and water heater on our property as well as in our rental property. We are both retired and this additional conversion cost would be astronomical to our retirement savings.

What exactly are the current air quality calculations of natural gas residential usage impact to our environment in California? What extraordinary reduction in our air quality benefits are there?

Many Southern California families are already struggling with high living costs, and mandating costly retrofits or replacements will only exacerbate financial hardships. These rules disproportionately impact lower-income households, which are the least able to afford such expenses.

While we understand and support the Air District's efforts to improve air quality, the proposed amendments would impose an undue and significant burden on homeowners, renters, and small businesses.

We respectfully urge the Board to explore alternative approaches that balance air quality improvements with economic feasibility for all residents and do not single out natural gas users.

Sincerely,

Mr. & Mrs. Terry W. Trombatore

cc: Members of the Governing Board