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Proposed Amended Regulation XXX – Title V Permits

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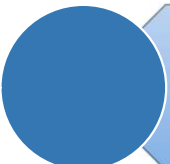
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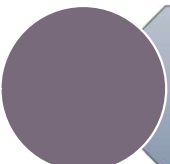
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Regulation XXX Background



Proposed Amended Regulation XXX



Impact Assessments



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Regulation XXX Background

Regulation XXX – Title V Permits (Regulation XXX), was adopted in 1993 to implement the permitting process required by U.S. EPA in the 1990 amendments to the federal Clean Air Act

Title V facilities are major sources of emissions that meet or exceed established emission thresholds in Rule 3001 – Applicability

Requirements for Title V facilities are specified in Rule 3002 – Requirements

- Previously allowed facilities to assert an affirmative defense to mitigate or prevent emission-violation penalties during a qualifying emergency

Emergency Affirmative Defense Background

U.S. EPA (2023):

Removed Title V emergency affirmative defense provisions from state and federal operating permit program (2023 Affirmative Defense Rule)



Amendments to Regulation XXX (2025):

Removed affirmative defense provisions and associated rule references



U.S. EPA (2025):

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit reversed U.S. EPA's 2023 Affirmative Defense Rule in *SSM Litigation Group v. EPA*



Proposed Amended Regulation XXX (2026):

Will restore affirmative defense provisions and associated rule references to maintain consistency with U.S. EPA's current Title V regulation

Proposed Amended Regulation XXX (PAR XXX)

Proposed Amended Rule 3002– Requirements

- Restores subdivision (g) -
Emergency Provisions
- Restores reference to
subdivision (g) in paragraph
(c)(3)



Proposed Amended Rule 3004 – Permit Types and Content

- Restores previous references
to emergency affirmative
defense provisions

Emissions Reductions and Costs

Emission Reductions

- Proposed amendments are administrative
- No emission reductions are expected

Costs, Cost-Effectiveness, and Incremental Cost-Effectiveness

- Title V permits will be updated during regular permit renewal or other permit revision
- No additional costs will be imposed
- No new Best Available Retrofit Control Technology requirements proposed
- No cost-effectiveness analysis required per Health and Safety Code Section 40920.6

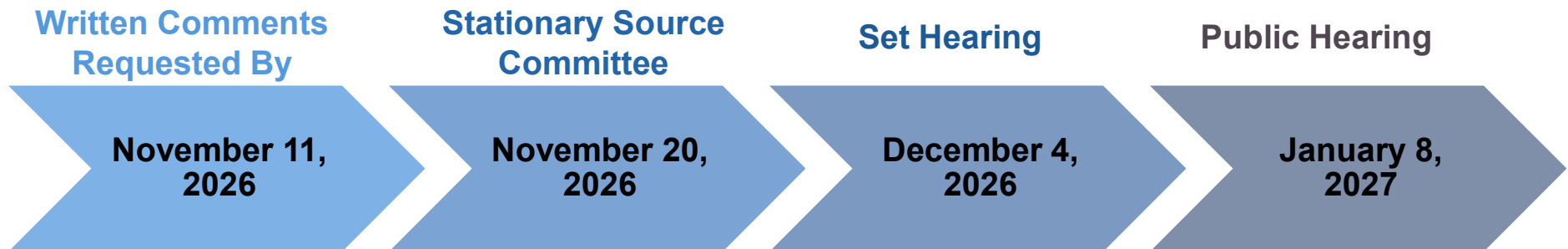
Socioeconomic Impact Assessment

- Proposed amendments are administrative in nature and do not significantly affect air quality or emission limitations
- No significant socioeconomic impacts expected
- A socioeconomic impact assessment is not required under Health and Safety Code Sections 40440.8 and 40728.5

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

- PAR XXX contains administrative changes which qualify for an exemption from CEQA because:
 - No physical modifications are required
 - No adverse environment impacts are expected
- A Notice of Exemption will be prepared

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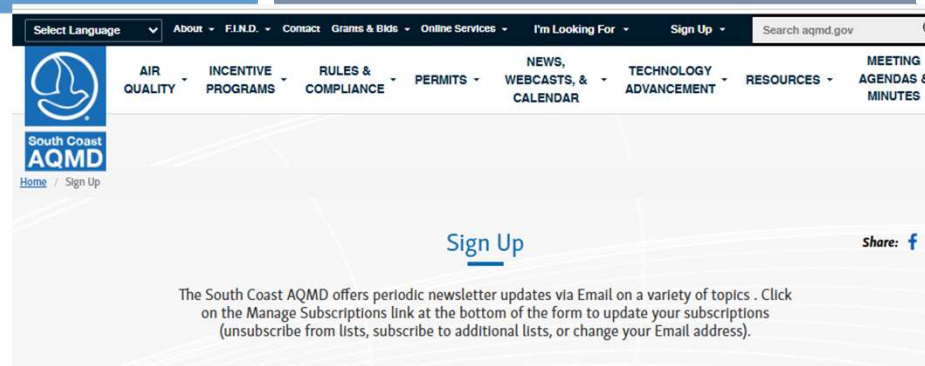
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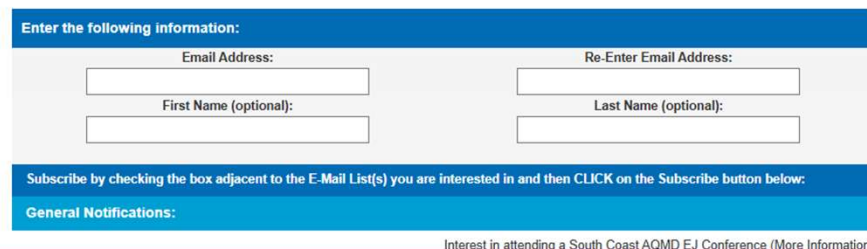
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