

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM THE
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)**

To: County Clerks
Counties of Los Angeles, Orange,
Riverside and San Bernardino

From: South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Project Title: Proposed Amended Rule 1107 – Coating of Metal Parts and Products

Project Location: The project is located within the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) jurisdiction which includes the four-county South Coast Air Basin (all of Orange County and the non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino counties), and the Riverside County portions of the Salton Sea Air Basin (SSAB) and Mojave Desert Air Basin (MDAB).

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: South Coast AQMD staff is proposing to amend Rule 1107 to revise certain exemptions to be consistent with Reasonably Available Control Technology requirements as recommended in United States Environmental Protection Agency's Control Techniques Guidelines for Miscellaneous Metal and Plastic Parts Coatings (September 2008). Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) limits for baked metallic and baked camouflage coatings will be reduced from 420 grams/liter (g/L) to 360 g/L as requested by California Air Resources Board. Since compliant coatings are currently available and in use, no physical changes will be necessary to comply with Proposed Amended Rule 1107. Other amendments are proposed to address work practices for coating-related activities, update test methods, remove obsolete provisions, and make clarifications.

Public Agency Approving Project: South Coast Air Quality Management District

Agency Carrying Out Project: South Coast Air Quality Management District

Exempt Status:

CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) – Common Sense Exemption

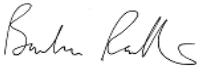
Reasons why project is exempt: Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), South Coast AQMD staff, as Lead Agency, has reviewed Proposed Amended Rule 1107 in accordance with: 1) CEQA Guidelines Section 15002(k) – General Concepts, the three-step process for deciding which document to prepare for a project subject to CEQA; and 2) CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 – Review for Exemption, procedures for determining if a project is exempt from CEQA. Since Proposed Amended Rule 1107 does not contain any project elements requiring physical modifications that would cause an adverse effect on the environment, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed project may have a significant adverse effect on the environment. Therefore, the project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) – Common Sense Exemption.

Date of Project Approval:

South Coast AQMD Governing Board Hearing: February 7, 2020; South Coast AQMD Headquarters

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