

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF, OR AMENDMENT TO, THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
OF THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
AND PROPOSED SUBMISSION INTO THE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

**RE: Proposed Amended Rule 1151 – Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Non-Assembly
Line Coating Operations**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on the matter of adoption of rules and regulations for the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD), or the amendments thereto, will be held on Friday, **November 1, 2024**, in the Dr. William A. Burke Auditorium at South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, at 9:00 a.m., at which time evidence will be taken and all interested persons will be heard by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board. The meeting will be conducted through a hybrid format of in-person and/or virtual attendance via videoconferencing and by telephone with opportunities for public comment. Please refer to the instructions on South Coast AQMD's website for details on how to participate: <http://www.aqmd.gov/home/news-events/meeting-agendas-minutes>.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the South Coast AQMD is considering the adoption of Proposed Amended Rule 1151 – Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Non-Assembly Line Coating Operations (PAR 1151). The objective of PAR 1151 is to implement the 2022 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) Control Measure CTS-01 – Further Emission Reductions from Coatings, Solvents, Adhesives, and Lubricants. PAR 1151 includes a future effective prohibition on the use of para-Chlorobenzotrifluoride (pCBtF) and tert-Butyl Acetate (t-BAc), two solvents that are exempt from the definition of a volatile organic compound (VOC) that have been deemed as potential carcinogens by the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA). To expedite the transition away from the exempt solvents, PAR 1151 will temporarily allow automotive coatings with higher VOC content not formulated with pCBtF and t-BAc to be used in South Coast AQMD, which will provide time for coating manufacturers to reformulate to lower-VOC automotive coatings without using pCBtF and t-BAc. In addition, PAR 1151 will add maximum incremental reactivity (MIR) VOC limits on reducers and thinners, alternative MIR limits on adhesion promoters and pretreatment wash primers, quantity and emission reporting requirements, sell-through and use-through provisions, and update rule provisions for clarity.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that PAR 1151 will be submitted to the California Air Resources Board and the United States Environmental Protection Agency for inclusion into the State Implementation Plan.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that PAR 1151 implements Sections 110, 172, and 182(e) of the Clean Air Act.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a written analysis pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 40727.2 has been prepared that identifies all existing state and federal air pollution control requirements, all existing and proposed South Coast AQMD rules and regulations, and all pollution control requirements and guidelines that apply to the same equipment or source type as PAR 1151.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15168(e), PAR 1151 is a later activity within the scope of the program approved earlier for the 2022 AQMP, and the Final Program Environmental Impact

Report for the 2022 AQMP adequately describes the activity for the purposes of CEQA such that no new environmental document will be required.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the South Coast AQMD staff will prepare and make available the following documents on or before October 2, 2024, for consideration by the South Coast AQMD Governing Board, including:

- Draft PAR 1151
- Draft Staff Report for PAR 1151
- Comparative Analysis for PAR 1151, included in the Draft Staff Report
- Draft Socioeconomic Impact Assessment for PAR 1151

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the above documents may be obtained on or before October 2, 2024, from the South Coast AQMD website at <https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules/rule-1151>, or by calling the Public Information Center at (909) 396-2001, or from: Mr. Derrick Alatorre – Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765, (909) 396-2432, PublicAdvisor@aqmd.gov.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the conclusion of the public hearing, consistent with Health and Safety Code Section 40726, the South Coast AQMD Governing Board may make other modifications to PAR 1151, which are justified by the evidence presented, or may decline to adopt some or all of the proposed amendments.

Please direct questions, comments, or requests for clarification regarding PAR 1151 to Christopher Bradley, cbradley@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-2185; CEQA inquiries to Farzaneh Khalaj, Ph.D., fkhalaj@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-3022; and Socioeconomic Impact Assessment inquiries to Valerie Rivera, vrivera@aqmd.gov, (909) 396-3007. Comments and inquiries can also be submitted to the attention of the above person(s) to Planning, Rule Development, and Implementation, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

Interested persons may provide oral and written statements at the Public Hearing. Ten (10) copies of all hard-copy written materials must be submitted to the Clerk of the Boards. Individuals who wish to submit written or electronic comments must submit such comments to the Clerk of the Boards, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA, 91765-4178, (909) 396-2500, or to cob@aqmd.gov, on or before 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29, 2024.

Americans with Disabilities Act and Language Accessibility

Disability and language-related accommodations can be requested to allow participation in the Governing Board meeting. The agenda will be made available, upon request, in appropriate alternative formats to assist persons with a disability (Gov. Code Section 54954.2(a)). In addition, other documents may be requested in alternative formats and languages. Any disability or language-related accommodation must be requested as soon as practicable. Requests will be accommodated unless providing the accommodation would result in a fundamental alteration or undue burden to the South Coast AQMD. Please contact the Clerk of the Boards Office, South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA, 91765-4178, at (909) 396-2500 (for TTY, 909-396-3560) from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to cob@aqmd.gov.

DATED: September 20, 2024

FAYE THOMAS
Clerk of the Boards