

South Coast Air Quality Management District's

Notice of Public Consultation Meeting

PROPOSED RULE 1143 CONSUMER PAINT THINNERS & MULTI-PURPOSE SOLVENTS



Thursday, February 5, 2009 9:00 a.m.

AQMD Headquarters 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Conference Room GB

Purpose of the Meeting

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) has scheduled a second public consultation meeting to provide an update on rule language and solicit comments and suggestions from the public on **Proposed Rule (PR) 1143** – **Consumer Paint Thinners and Multi-purpose Solvents**.

PR 1143 will be considered for adoption by the AQMD Governing Board at a public hearing tentatively scheduled for *March 6, 2009*. This public consultation meeting will allow for comments and discussion of PR 1143 with all public members including potentially impacted stakeholders and other interested parties.

Air Quality Objective

The air quality objective of PR 1143 is to reduce Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) emissions from the use of consumer paint thinners and multipurpose solvents. The proposed rule will implement control measure CTS 04 of the 2007 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) to obtain potential VOC emission reductions necessary for the AQMD to attain state and federal ozone air quality standards for this region.

Summary of Proposed Rule

This rule would apply to consumer paint thinners and multi-purpose solvents that are normally sold through retail outlets and any person that uses, distributes or sells a consumer paint thinner or multi-purpose solvent in the South Coast AQMD jurisdiction. The proposed rule will include the following:

- Establishes an interim material VOC limit of 300 g/l, effective January 1, 2010, and a material VOC limit of 25 g/l effective January 1, 2011, for all consumer paint thinners and multi-purpose solvents and establishes labeling requirements.
- Prohibits the sale of non-compliant products.
- Requires manufacturers to provide a list of distributors and to submit annual quantity emission reports.
- Provides a sell-through period of one year for products manufactured prior to the effective date.
- Provides exemptions for solvents used to clean-up equipment used to apply polyaspartic and polyurea coatings, and thinners labeled and designated for the thinning of specific industrial maintenance coatings.

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 Prohibits consumer paint thinners and multipurpose solvents that contain an excess of 0.1% of Group II exempt compounds as listed in Rule 102 except cyclic, branched, or linear, completely methylated siloxanes.

California Environmental Quality Act

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and AQMD Rule 110, AQMD staff has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) and determined that there were no significant potential adverse environmental impacts associated with Proposed Rule 1143. Copies of the Draft EA for Proposed Rule 1143 are available for downloading from the AQMD's Website at http://www.aqmd.gov/ceqa/aqmd.html and copies may be obtained from the AQMD Public Information Center. The public review and comment period for the draft EA closed on **December 12, 2008**.

Questions regarding the CEQA analysis for Proposed Rule 1143 should be directed to:

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Submission of Documents or Comments

The public is requested to send documents, studies, data, reports, comments and any other information relevant to Proposed Rule 1143 by <u>February 13</u>, **2009** to:

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Supporting Documents and Other Relevant Information

The following supporting documents are available on the AQMD website at http://www.aqmd.gov/rules/proposed.html:

- ✓ Draft Proposed Rule 1143
- ✓ Draft Staff Report for Proposed Rule 1143
- ✓ Socioeconomic Report

Copies of the above documents may also be obtained from:

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