



**Notice of Public Consultation Meeting**

**PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 1156 - FURTHER REDUCTIONS OF PARTICULATE EMISSIONS FROM CEMENT MANUFACTURING FACILITIES**

**Thursday, November 20, 2008  
1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
South Coast Air Quality Management District  
Auditorium  
21865 Copley Drive  
Diamond Bar, CA 91765**

### **Purpose of the Meeting**

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) staff has scheduled a Public Consultation Meeting to present and solicit information and suggestions from the public regarding **Proposed Amended Rule (PAR) 1156 – Further Reductions of Particulate Emissions from Cement Manufacturing Facilities**. Rule 1156 requires operators of cement manufacturing facilities to follow specific requirements for the reduction of particulate matter (PM) emissions from all operations, including materials handling and transport at the facilities. The proposed amendment would strengthen Rule 1156, while preserving the original intent of the rule. PAR 1156 is scheduled for a February 6, 2009 Public Hearing for adoption by the AQMD Governing Board. *Please note that in addition to this meeting, a Town Hall public meeting is also scheduled for December 3, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at Rubidoux High School.*

### **Air Quality Objective**

PAR 1156 will ensure further reduction of particulate matter, as well as hexavalent chromium emissions, from cement manufacturing facilities.

### **Summary of Proposed Rule Amendment**

The proposed rule amendment contains five (5) key elements:

1. Require the total enclosure of clinker material storage and handling, but allow compliance flexibility if such storage and handling occurs more than 1,000 feet from the facility property line;
2. Require ambient monitoring for fine particulates (PM10) and hexavalent chromium;
3. Require the submittal of a compliance monitoring plan;
4. Require continuous wind monitoring; and
5. Amend an exemption regarding material size in open storage piles by excluding clinker material from such an exemption.

In addition, other minor amendments and clarifications are also proposed.

## Supporting Documents

Copies of PAR 1156 and draft staff report will be available on and after November 7, 2008 by contacting:

Ms. Lourdes Cordova Martinez  
Public Information Center  
SCAQMD  
21865 Copley Drive  
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## Submission of Documents or Comments

The public is requested to send documents, studies, data, reports, comments or other information relevant to PAR 1156 no later than 5 p.m. December 12, 2008 to:

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Questions regarding PAR 1156 may also be directed to Ms. Pham.

## California Environmental Quality Act

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), SCAQMD is the Lead Agency for the project identified above pursuant to its certified regulatory program (SCAQMD Rule 110). A Final Environmental Assessment (EA) (SCAQMD No. 050307JK, dated October 13, 2005) was previously prepared pursuant to CEQA, which identified "air quality" as the only environmental topic that might be adversely affected by the current rule. Since the currently proposed project would be within the scope of what was analyzed in the previous Final EA that was circulated for public review and comment, and subsequently certified; SCAQMD will rely on that previously certified Final EA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15153, because the circumstances of the projects are essentially the same. Greenhouse gases and PM2.5 analyses were not prepared as a part of the final EA, but were evaluated and found not to be significant in an initial study (IS) prepared for the proposed project. Since the circumstances of the currently proposed project are essentially the same as those analyzed in the October 2005 Final EA and the greenhouse gas and PM2.5 impacts were concluded to be less than significant, no additional reasonable alternatives or mitigations are required. A Notice to Rely was circulated and the Final EA was made available for public review and comment on the environmental analysis for a 30-day period from July 15 to August 28, 2008.

Questions regarding the Final EA may be directed to:

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