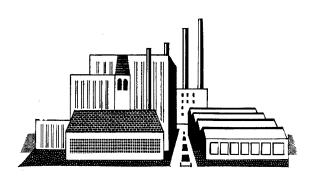


South Coast Air Quality Management District's

Notice of Public Workshop and CEQA Scoping Meeting

PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION XX REGIONAL CLEAN AIR INCENTIVES MARKET (RECLAIM)



Tuesday, June 23, 2009 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. AQMD Headquarters 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Auditorium

Purpose of the Meeting

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) has scheduled a public workshop and a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) scoping meeting to present and solicit input and suggestions from the public regarding **Proposed** Amended Regulation XX – Regional Clean Air Incentives Market (PAR 2001 – Applicability & PAR 2002 - Allocations for Oxides of Nitrogen (NOx) and Oxides of Sulfur (SOx)).

The proposed amendments will be considered for adoption by the SCAQMD Governing Board at a public hearing tentatively scheduled for *October 2*, 2009. This public workshop will allow comments and discussion of the proposed amendments with all public members including potential impacted stakeholders and other interested parties.

Air Quality Objective

The main objective of these proposed amendments is to implement control measure CMB-02 of the 2007 Air Quality Management Plan, and generate sulfur oxides and particulate emission reductions from RECLAIM facilities.

Summary of Proposed Amendments

The proposed amendments include:

- 1. An establishment of SOx Best Available Retrofit Control Technology (BARCT) levels for fluid catalytic cracking units, sulfur recovery units and tail gas, refinery boilers and heaters, coke calciner, sulfuric acid, container glass, and cement manufacturing plants;
- 2. An establishment of RECLAIM Trading Credits (RTC) reductions, and RTC adjustment factors for year 2014 and beyond; and
- 3. Other administrative changes.

SCAQMD staff will be seeking input and comments on the methodology for establishing BARCT and RTC reductions at the workshop.

California Environmental Quality Act (CEOA)

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and SCAQMD's Certified Regulatory Program (Rule 110), the SCAQMD is preparing a Notice of Preparation/Initial Study (NOP/IS) for the proposed amendments to Regulation XX (PAR 2001 and PAR 2002). The NOP/IS serves two purposes: 1) to solicit information on the scope of the environmental analysis for the proposed project, and 2) to notify the public that the SCAQMD will prepare a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) to further assess potential environmental impacts that may result from implementing the proposed project. The proposed project may have statewide, regional or areawide significance; therefore, a CEQA scoping meeting is required (pursuant to Public Resources Code §21083.9(a)(2)). The public workshop will serve as a CEQA scoping meeting for the proposed actions.

Comments received at the public workshop/CEQA scoping meeting on the environmental analysis will be considered when preparing the EA. When released, the NOP/IS will be available for public comment and review for 30 days. Upon completion of the public review and comment period for the NOP/IS, responses to comments received relative to the NOP/IS will be prepared and incorporated into the Draft EA that will be subsequently prepared and circulated for a 45-day public review and comment period.

Comments and suggestions regarding the CEQA analysis for the proposed project should be directed to:

Ms. Barbara Radlein Planning, Rule Development & Area Sources **SCAQMD** 21865 Copley Drive

Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Phone: (909) 396 – 2716 Fax: (909) 396 – 3324 E-mail: bradlein@aqmd.gov **Supporting Documents**

The following supporting documents are available:

- PAR 2001 & PAR 2002
- Draft Staff Report (Part I & Part II). Part III will be available at the Public Workshop.

Copies of the above documents may be obtained from:

Mr. William Sanchez **Public Information Center** SCAQMD 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765 Phone: (909) 396 – 2039

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Submission of Comments

The public is requested to send documents, studies, data, reports, comments or other information relevant to PAR 2001 and PAR 2002 to:

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Written comments should be submitted by **Tuesday**, July 7, 2009.