



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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June 6, 2008

Office of the Secretary for Resources
Attn: General Counsel's Office
1416 9th Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find two copies of the Notice of Decision for the document prepared for proposed amended Rule 1186.1 – Less-Polluting Sweepers and Rule 1196 – Clean On-Road Heavy Duty Public Fleets pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Addendum to the June 2000 Final Program Environmental Assessment for Proposed Fleet Vehicle Rules and Related Rule Amendments for proposed amended Rules 1186.1 and 1196 was prepared pursuant to CEQA and the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) certified regulatory program. The CEQA document was certified by SCAQMD's Governing Board at its June 6, 2008, Public Hearing. Please record and post the Notice of Decision according to the provisions of CEQA.

SCAQMD Rule 110 requires that written responses to public comments on a SCAQMD CEQA document be filed with the Secretary of Resources along with the Notice of Decision. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15164, the Addendum is not required to be circulated for public review and, therefore, no public comments were received.

The proposed project is an addendum to the Fleet Vehicle Rules which was determined in June 2000 to be exempt from the Department of Fish and Game filing fee pursuant to §753.5 (a)(3), Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR) due to a *de minimus* impact on wildlife and the habitat upon which the wildlife depends. Attached are copies of the NODs and Fee Exemption form filed with your office for the June 2000 Final Program Environmental Assessment for Proposed Fleet Vehicle Rules and Related Rule Amendments for proposed amended Rules 1186.1 and 1196.

Please confirm a copy of the Notice upon receipt and return to the undersigned. Two return envelopes have been provided for your convenience (one for the confirmed copy upon receipt, and one for the original Notice to be returned after the posting period). If you have any questions, please call me at (909) 396-3054.

Sincerely,

Steve Smith, Ph.D.
CEQA Program Supervisor
Office of Planning, Rule Development and Area
Sources

Enclosures

NOTICE OF DECISION

To: Office of the Secretary for Resources
Attention: General Counsel's Office
1416 9th Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: SCAQMD
Office of Planning, Rule
Development & Area Sources
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF DECISION IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 21080.5 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

Project Title: Addendum to the June 2000 Final Program Environmental Assessment (PEA) for Proposed Fleet Vehicle Rules and Related Rule Amendments for the proposed amended Rule 1186.1 – Less-Polluting Sweepers and Rule 1196 – Clean On-Road Heavy Duty Public Fleets

SCAQMD Number: 080425MK **Date Certified:** June 6, 2008

Contact Person: Michael Krause **Telephone Number:** (909) 396 - 2706

Project Location: South Coast Air Quality Management District: the four-county South Coast Air Basin (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 and the Mojave Desert Air Basin.

Project Description: To address the continuing lack of natural-gas refueling infrastructure in more remote areas of the SCAQMD jurisdictional boundaries as well as the lack of availability of alternative-fuel engines in street sweepers, the SCAQMD is proposing rule amendments that would extend the sunset date for the Technical Infeasibility Certification Request (TICR) provision from July 1, 2008, to July 1, 2010, in Rule 1186.1 subparagraph (d)(1)(B) and the sunset date of June 30, 2008, to June 30, 2010, in Rule 1196 paragraph (d)(4). No significant adverse environmental impacts were identified.

This is to advise that the *South Coast Air Quality Management District* has approved the above-described project and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1. The project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
2. An Addendum to the June 2000 Final PEA for Proposed Fleet Vehicle Rules and Related Rule Amendments for the proposed amended Rule 1186.1 – Less-Polluting Sweepers and Rule 1196 – Clean On-Road Heavy Duty Public Fleets was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA and SCAQMD Rule 110.
3. Mitigation measures were not made a condition of the approval of this project. A monitoring program under PRC §21081.6 was not adopted for this project.
4. A Statement of Findings and a Statement of Overriding Considerations were not adopted for this project.

The Addendum to the Final PEA, supporting documentation, and record of project approval may be examined at: SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA. 91765-4182.

Date Received for Filing

Signature: _____
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