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COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO CALIFORNIA



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: County Clerk
San Bernardino County
385 N. Arrowhead, 2nd Floor
San Bernardino, CA 92415

FROM: Mojave Desert
Air Quality Management District
14306 Park Ave
Victorville, CA 92392-2310

X MDAQMD Senior Executive Analyst

PROJECT TITLE: SIP Cleanup Consisting of the Rescission of Rule 1103 – *Pharmaceuticals & Cosmetics Manufacturing Operations*.

PROJECT LOCATION – SPECIFIC: San Bernardino County portion of the Mojave Desert Air Basin and Palo Verde Valley portion of Riverside County.

PROJECT LOCATION – COUNTY: San Bernardino and Riverside Counties

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: The MDAQMD is proposing a SIP cleanup consisting of the rescission of SCAQMD Rule 1103 – *Pharmaceuticals & Cosmetics Manufacturing Operations*. We do not have any sources in the District subject to this rule, and this action ensures that both the Riverside County and San Bernardino County portions of the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (MDAQMD or District) are subject to the same set of SIP approved rules.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: Mojave Desert AQMD

NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Mojave Desert AQMD

EXEMPT STATUS (CHECK ONE)

- Ministerial (Pub. Res. Code §21080(b)(1); 14 Cal Code Reg. §15268)
- Emergency Project (Pub. Res. Code §21080(b)(4); 14 Cal Code Reg. §15269(b))
- X Categorical Exemption – Class 8 (14 Cal Code Reg. §15308)

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The proposed action is exempt from CEQA review because the adoption of the SIP cleanup simply removes the 1980 version of the SCAQMD Rule 1103 - *Pharmaceuticals & Cosmetics Manufacturing Operations* from the SIP in the Blythe/Palo Verde Valley portion of the District in Riverside County as we have no facilities subject to the rule. This action will not create any new emissions or adverse impacts on the environment. Because there is no potential that the adoption might cause the release of additional air contaminants or create any adverse environmental impacts, a Class 8 categorical exemption (14 Cal. Code Reg. §15308) applies.

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Brad Poiriez **PHONE:** (760) 245-1661

SIGNATURE: *Brad Poiriez* **TITLE:** Executive Director **DATE:** April 22, 2024

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