

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: County Clerk
San Bernardino County
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FROM: Mojave Desert
Air Quality Management District
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MDAQMD Senior Executive Analyst

PROJECT TITLE: SIP cleanup consisting of the rescission of SCAQMD Rules 1125 – *Metal Container, Closure and Coil Coating Operations*, 1126 – *Magnet Wire Coating Operations*, and confirmation that USEPA has removed SCAQMD Rule 1107 - *Miscellaneous Metal Parts, Products and Coating Operations* from the SIP as previously requested.

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 to rescind SCAQMD Rules 1125 – *Metal Container, Closure and Coil Coating Operations* and 1126 – *Magnet Wire Coating Operations*. All sources in the MDAQMD are currently subject to MDAQMD Rule 1115 - *Metal Parts & Products Coasting Operations*, which adequately covers the provisions in the SCAQMD rules the MDAQMD is asking to rescind. The MDAQMD is also confirming that the USEPA has removed SCAQMD Rule 1107 - *Miscellaneous Metal Parts, Products and Coating Operations* from the SIP in the Blythe/Palo Verde area as previously requested. This action ensures that both the Riverside County and San Bernardino County portions of the MDAQMD 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))

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 update simply removes the 1979 and 1982 versions of the SCAQMD Rules 1125 and 1126 (respectively) from the SIP in the Blythe/Palo Verde Valley portion of the District in Riverside County. MDAQMD Rule 1115 is currently in the SIP for the entire District and adequately covers the provisions in the rules we are asking to rescind. We are also requesting that USEPA confirm that SCAQMD Rule 1107 has already been removed from the SIP as previously requested. 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: **TITLE:** Executive Director **DATE:** April 22, 2024

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