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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO CALIFORNIA



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

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MDAQMD Senior Executive Analyst

PROJECT TITLE: State Implementation Plan Cleanup: Rescission of South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 1173 – *Fugitive Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds* as it appears in the SIP for the Blythe/Palo Verde Valley portion of the MDAQMD and to acknowledge that currently SIP approved MDAQMD Rule 1102 along with various SIP approved Federal Negative Declarations adequately regulate the source categories.

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 1990 version of SCAQMD 1173 remained in the SIP despite the subsequent approval of MDAQMD 1102 into the SIP for the entire jurisdiction, including the Blythe/Palo Verde Valley area in Riverside County. The MDAQMD is therefore taking this action to officially remove SCAQMD 1173 from the SIP for the Blythe/Palo Verde Valley area within the jurisdiction of the MDAQMD and to acknowledge its replacement with currently approved MDAQMD Rule 1102, various approved Federal Negative Declarations and the SIP approved portions of 17 Cal. Code Regulations §§95665 et. Seq.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: Mojave Desert AQMD

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

EXEMPT STATUS (CHECK ONE)

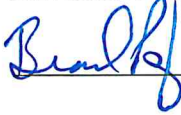
Ministerial (Pub. Res. Code §21080(b)(1); 14 Cal Code Reg. §15268)

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 amendment is exempt from CEQA review because the SIP cleanup is not changing any rule language or requirements, and 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:  **TITLE:** Executive Director **DATE:** April 22, 2024

DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING:

MOJAVE DESERT AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

BRAD POIRIEZ, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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