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**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:** State Implementation Plan Cleanup: Rescission of South Coast Air Quality Management District Rules 1105 - *Fluid Catalytic Cracking Units - Oxides of Sulfur*; 1119 - *Petroleum Coke Calcining Operations – Oxides of Sulfur*; and 1123 - *Refinery Process Turnarounds* as they appear in the SIP for the Blythe/Palo Verde Valley portion of the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District.

**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 March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1979 version of SCAQMD 1119, the September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1984 version of SCAQMD 1105, and the December 7<sup>th</sup>, 1990 version of SCAQMD 1123 remain in the SIP for the Riverside County portion of the MDAQMD. This action will continue the SIP cleanup for this source category by requesting the removal of SCAQMD Rules 1105, 1119 and 1123 and acknowledgement that the approved Federal Negative Declarations are adequate for SIP purposes within the MDAQMD.

**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 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:** October 28, 2024

**DATE RECEIVED FOR FILING:**

**DATE FILED & POSTED**

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**MOJAVE DESERT AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

**BRAD POIRIEZ, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

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