

April 2, 2019

Dear Sir or Madam:

We are pleased to announce that the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Final 2013, 2014, and 2015 Consumer & Commercial Product Survey Data summaries and supplemental materials (Final Consumer Product Survey Data) are now available, and remind interested stakeholders of our upcoming public workshop to develop consumer product regulatory amendments.

Final Consumer Product Survey Data.

The Final Consumer Product Survey Data illustrates California consumer product sales, chemical content, and emissions over this three-year period as reported by consumer product manufacturers and formulators, reviewed by CARB and interested stakeholders, and summarized by CARB staff. This detailed dataset provides us the scientific foundation to identify effective control strategies for achieving the emission reductions required from consumer products, as described in the 2016 State Strategy for the State Implementation Plan (2016 State Strategy). CARB's Final Consumer Product Survey Data can be found at: www.arb.ca.gov/consprod/survey/survey.htm.

Public Workshop to Develop Consumer Product Regulatory Amendments.

The 2016 State Strategy requires CARB develop measures to reduce consumer product volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions by 1 - 2 tons per day (tpd) by 2023 and 4 - 5 tpd by 2031, respectively, in the South Coast Air Basin, and 8 -10 tpd by 2031 Statewide. We encourage you to participate in CARB's upcoming public workshop to initiate rulemaking to meet these emission reduction commitments. This public workshop should be of interest to you, as these regulatory amendments could modify existing or add new VOC content limits, modify existing regulatory exemptions, or include other regulatory changes that may require product reformulation.

DATE: Friday, April 12, 2019
TIME: 9:00 a.m. – noon (PDT)
LOCATION: Air Resources Board
Byron Sher Auditorium, 2nd Floor (*note: new room*)
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95812

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To participate via webinar, please register at:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3095269665326381837>

For more information regarding this public workshop, please see the workshop notice originally sent to CARB's consumer product email distribution list and posted to our website on February 28, 2019 at:

www.arb.ca.gov/consprod/consumer_products_public_workshop_4-12-19.pdf.

If you did not receive an email notification of CARB's April 12, 2019 public workshop and would like be notified of CARB's upcoming consumer product workshops or other program activities, please sign up for our email distribution list at:

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/CARB/subscriber/new?topic_id=listserv.

For more information regarding the 2016 State Strategy, see:

www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/2016sip/rev2016statesip.pdf.

Background: The Final Consumer Product Survey Data published today provides the technical foundation for an updated consumer product emission inventory and development of new strategies to further reduce VOC emissions. While previous CARB surveys typically targeted a subset of consumer product categories, the 2013, 2014, and 2015 surveys include over 400 consumer and commercial product categories. In total, more than 1,500 product manufacturers and formulators participated in this effort, providing CARB with product sales and chemical formulation for over 300,000 products sold in California over a three-year period. We appreciate the many consumer product manufacturers and formulators who contributed to the success of these surveys by submitting detailed product sales and formulation data.

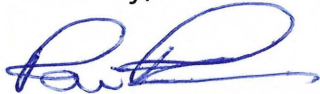
We also appreciate the many stakeholders who took the time to review the draft survey data summaries published on June 4 and December 6, 2018. This stakeholder participation has facilitated the product categorization and speciation refinements reflected in this Final Consumer Product Survey Data, including updates to the manufacturer sales and chemical speciation of windshield washer fluid (resulting in lower VOC emissions) and minor updates to other consumer product categories. We look forward to working with interested stakeholders over the next few months to translate this final survey data into an updated consumer product emission inventory to be used for air quality modeling and rulemaking purposes.

If you have any questions about the Final Consumer Products Survey Data or the upcoming public workshop, please contact Mr. Joe Calavita at (916) 445-4586 or by

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Sincerely,



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