

## MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Administrative Record Commencement for the **Proposed Amendments to the** Hexavalent Chromium Airborne Toxic Control Measure (ATCM) for Chrome Plating and Chromic Acid Anodizing Operations

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is in the early stages of developing concepts for the **Proposed Amendments to the Hexavalent Chromium Airborne Toxic Control Measure (ATCM) for Chrome Plating and Chromic Acid Anodizing Operations** (Chrome Plating Amendments). Consistent with CARB's Certified Regulatory Program (17 CCR sections 60000-60005), CARB analyzes the environmental impacts of its proposed projects to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

CARB has preliminarily determined that the Chrome Plating Amendments will be a "project" subject to CEQA. CARB has not yet determined the necessary level of CEQA review at this early stage of the planning process. However, CARB has determined that the CEQA administrative record for the Chrome Plating Amendments commenced on September 10, 2021. This was the date that the first internal meeting was held regarding preliminary ideas for the Chrome Plating Amendments and their potential environmental implications.

CARB has prepared this memorandum to formally document the administrative record commencement date described above. This memorandum also serves to inform stakeholders that written materials submitted to CARB concerning the Chrome Plating Amendments may be included in the administrative record for this item.