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## Notice of Decision

California Natural Resources Agency

**Project Title:** Amendments to the Airborne Toxic Control Measure for Chromium Plating and Chromic Acid Anodizing Operations **(SCH# 2022010069)**

**Project Location:** Statewide

**Public Meeting Date:** May 25, 2023; Agenda Item #23-5-2

**Project Description:** The Amendments will phase out the use of hexavalent chromium for chrome plating processes at all chrome plating facilities in California to further protect public health and air quality in communities located near chrome plating facilities. The Amendments will also require CARB to conduct two technology reviews, the first by January 1, 2032, and the second by January 1, 2036, that evaluate the development of technologies to replace hexavalent chromium in hard chrome plating and chromic acid anodizing operations.

This notice is to advise that the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board), as the lead agency, approved the above regulatory action on May 25, 2023.

CARB prepared and certified an environmental analysis (EA) in accordance with the requirements of its certified regulatory program under CEQA. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15251, subd, (d)). The EA, included as an appendix to the Staff Report: Initial Statement of Reasons (Staff Report) prepared for the project pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, concluded implementation of the project may result in significant adverse environmental impacts. Mitigation measures were made a condition of approval and CARB did not adopt a mitigation monitoring program. The Board made CEQA findings pursuant to Section 15091 of the CEQA Guidelines and adopted a statement of overriding considerations for this project.

The EA included in the Staff Report, and all other record documents, including the 'Response to Comments on the Draft Environmental Analysis prepared for the Proposed Amendments to the Airborne Toxic Control Measure for Chromium Plating and Chromic Acid Anodizing Operations' are available for public inspection on the CARB rulemaking webpage at: [Chrome Plating ATCM | California Air Resources Board](#).

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These documents may also be examined at:

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Date: May 25, 2023

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