

REQUEST FOR EARLY EFFECTIVE DATE

Pursuant to Government Code section 11343.4, the Air Resources Board (ARB) requests that the amendment of sections 94508-94515 and 94517, Title 17, California Code of Regulations (CCR) (in the consumer products regulation); the amendments to sections 94521, 94522, and 94524, Title 17, CCR (in the aerosol coatings regulation); and 94502, Title 17, CCR (in the antiperspirant and deodorant regulation) become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State. Good cause for this request exists.

Section 41712 of the California Health and Safety Code requires the ARB to adopt regulations to achieve the maximum feasible reduction in VOCs emitted by consumer products. To date, the Board has adopted three regulations which establish VOC limits for various categories of consumer products. These regulations are the Regulation for Reducing VOC Emissions from Antiperspirants and Deodorants (the “antiperspirant and deodorant regulation”; sections 94500-94506.5, Title 17, CCR), the Regulation for Reducing VOC Emissions from Consumer Products (the “consumer products regulation”; sections 94507-94517, Title 17, CCR), and the Regulation for reducing VOC Emissions from Aerosol Coating Products (the “aerosol coatings regulation”; sections 94520-94528, Title 17, CCR).

The proposed amendments make a number of changes to the three regulations cited above. Many of these changes are important clarifications to the regulations, including changes needed to incorporate the provisions of AB 1849 (Stats. 1996; Chapter 766).

An early effective date is necessary to allow manufacturers of consumer products to utilize these changes as soon as possible.

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