CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER THE 2016 OZONE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR THE WESTERN MOJAVE DESERT NONATTAINMENT AREA

The Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider adoption of the *Federal 75 ppb Ozone Attainment Plan for the Western Mojave Desert Nonattainment Area* (Ozone Plan), developed by the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (Mojave Desert AQMD) and Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (Antelope Valley AQMD). If adopted, ARB will submit the Ozone Plan to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) as revisions to the California State Implementation Plan (SIP).

DATE:

May 25, 2017

TIME:

9:00 a.m.

LOCATION:

California Environmental Protection Agency

Air Resources Board Byron Sher Auditorium

1001 | Street

Sacramento, California 95814

This item will be considered at a one-day meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m., May 25, 2017. This item is scheduled to be heard on the Board's Consent Calendar. All agenda items on the Consent Calendar – unless removed upon the request of a Board member or if someone in the audience submits a request-to-speak card on that item – will be voted on by the Board at the beginning of the public meeting.

Background

The federal Clean Air Act (the Act) establishes planning requirements for areas that exceed the health-based National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). These nonattainment areas must develop and implement a SIP that demonstrates how they will attain the standard by specified dates.

In 2008, U.S. EPA strengthened the 8-hour ozone NAAQS to 75 parts per billion (ppb). Effective July 20, 2012, U.S. EPA designated the Western Mojave Desert a Severe nonattainment area. The Western Mojave Desert includes a portion of San Bernardino County (served by the Mojave Desert AQMD), and the Antelope Valley portion of Los Angeles County (served by the Antelope Valley AQMD). The Mojave Desert AQMD and Antelope Valley AQMD must develop and implement a SIP that addresses Severe planning requirements and demonstrates attainment of the relevant NAAQS by July 2027. The Mojave Desert AQMD Governing Board adopted the Mojave Desert portion of the Ozone Plan on February 27, 2017, and the Antelope Valley AQMD

Governing Board adopted the Antelope Valley portion of the Ozone Plan on March 21, 2017. The Ozone Plan includes a comprehensive emission inventory, an attainment demonstration, a reasonable further progress demonstration, an assessment of reasonably available control measures and technologies, a vehicle miles traveled offset demonstration, and identification of contingency measures if the nonattainment area fails to meet a reasonable further progress milestone or attain the NAAQS. The Ozone Plan also includes motor vehicle transportation conformity budgets developed using the EMFAC2014 emissions model that reflects the latest planning assumptions. The ARB Staff Report includes the nonattainment area's emissions inventory, a weight of evidence analysis, a list of ARB regulations used for the vehicle miles traveled offset demonstration, and emission statement certifications from the Mojave Desert AQMD and the Antelope Valley AQMD. ARB staff has reviewed the Ozone Plan and has concluded that it meets the applicable requirements in the Act.

Proposed Action

ARB staff recommends that the Board adopt the Federal 75 ppb Ozone Attainment Plan for the Western Mojave Desert Nonattainment Area along with the CARB Staff Report and direct staff to submit this to U.S. EPA as revisions to the California SIP.

ARB staff has prepared a written report. Copies of the report may be obtained from ARB's Public Information Office, 1001 I Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, after April 21, 2017. The report may also be obtained from ARB's website at:

https://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/planarea/mojavesedsip.htm

Interested members of the public may present comments orally or in writing at the meeting and may provide comments by postal mail or by electronic submittal before the meeting. To be considered by the Board, written comments not physically submitted at the meeting, must be received <u>no later than 5:00 p.m., May 22, 2017</u>, and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerk of the Board, Air Resources Board

1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Electronic submittal: http://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Government Code section 6250 et seq.), your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, etc.) become part of the public record and can be released to the public upon request.

ARB requests that written statements on this item be filed at least 10 days prior to the meeting so that ARB staff and Board members have additional time to consider each comment. Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to

Monica Lewis, Air Pollution Specialist, South Coast Air Quality Planning Section at (916) 324-2716 or (designated back-up contact) Carol Sutkus, Manager of the South Coast Air Quality Planning Section at (916) 322-1229.

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Richard W. Corey Executive Officer

Date: April 20, 2017

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