Executive Order G-425

Abrasive Blasting Certification

The purpose of this advisory is to inform local air pollution control districts and other interested persons of Executive Order G-425 which lists abrasives currently certified for use during dry unconfined blasting.

The Air Resources Board (ARB) Compliance Division staff recently certified abrasive sandblasting material in accordance with Section 92520 of Subchapter 6, Title 17, California Code of Regulations. The ARB Executive Order G-425 lists the abrasive sandblasting materials that are certified for dry unconfined abrasive blasting until May 20, 1989.

Legal Requirements

The Health and Safety Code authorizes the ARB to adopt air pollution standards for sandblasting operations. Under Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations, the ARB is required to confirm that abrasives used during dry unconfined blasting be certified as complying with those air pollution standards. The standards require that the abrasives, before blasting, shall not contain more than 1 percent by weight material passing a 70 U.S. Standard sieve; after blasting, the abrasives shall not contain more than 1.8 percent by weight material 5 microns or smaller.

Enforcement Policy

The enforcement of this certification process, and thus the air quality standards it adheres to, is an essential tool in reducing fine particulate matter emissions in the atmosphere. Since the control of these emissions can have a substantial impact on local air quality, uncertified abrasives used for dry unconfined blasting are subject to the more stringent Ringelmann No. 1 visible emission standard. Certified abrasives, however, are subject to the Ringelmann No. 2 visible emission standard.

If you have any inquiries regarding Executive Order G-425, the test method evaluation, or the certification process, please contact Gary Zimmerman, Manager of the Source Testing Section at (916) 322-2886.

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WHEREAS, Article 4 (commencing with Section 41900), Chapter 3, Part 4, Division 26 of the Health and Safety Code authorizes the Air Resources Board (the "ARB") to adopt abrasive blasting standards;

WHEREAS, in Subchapter 6 (commencing with Section 92000), Chapter 1, Part III, Title 17, California Code of Regulations, the ARB has established abrasive blasting standards;

WHEREAS, Section 92520(b), Title 17, California Code of Regulations, provides that no person shall conduct dry unconfined blasting unless the abrasive(s) used in such operations have been certified by the ARB, on at least an annual basis, to comply with the performance standards set forth in Section 92520(b);

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Sections 39515 and 39616 delegate to the Executive Officer any power which the ARB may lawfully delegate;

WHEREAS, the abrasives listed in Exhibit A (attached) have been tested in accordance with "Method of Test for Abrasive Media Evaluation," Test Method No. California 371-A, and found to comply with provisions of Section 92520, Title 17, California Code of Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the abrasives listed in Exhibit A are certified pursuant to Section 92520(b), Title 17, California Code of Regulations, and may be used accordingly for dry unconfined blasting until May 20, 1989.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Executive Order shall expire on May 20, 1989, and the above-listed abrasives shall not be certified after that date for dry unconfined blasting unless they are recertified in accordance with the provisions of Section 92520(b), Title 17, California Code of Regulations.

Executed this 10th day of June 1988, at Sacramento, California.

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10. Manufacturer:  
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Charles A. Merivale, General Manager  
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12. Halliburton Industrial Services Division
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   (213) 946-4526
   Halco Blast - coarse
   Halco Blast - medium

13. Harsco Corporation
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    9149 Kennedy Avenue
    Highland, Indiana 46322
    (219) 923-4200
    Green Diamond 1040
    Green Diamond 1636
    Green Diamond 1650
    Green Diamond 2050
    Black Beauty 1240
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    (All Locations)

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    Apache Blast 12-50

15. Leisure Investment Company
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    (415) 471-2100
    Kleen Blast 16-30
    Kleen Blast 35
    Kleen Blast 16
    Kleen Blast 8-12
    Kleen Blast 30-60

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    Tucson, Arizona 85714
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    Sharpshot M-60
    Sharpshot F-30

17. Monterey Sand Company
    George H. Robinette
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    Monterey, California 93942
    (408) 394-6541
    Crystal Amber #3
    Crystal Amber #2/
    Monterey #16
    Crystal Amber #2/
    Monterey #20
    Crystal Amber #10
    Crystal Amber #1
    Crystal Amber #0/
    Monterey #30

18. Nickel Mountain Resources Company
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    Nickel Mountain #16/30
    Nickel Mountain #35
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22. Tru Grit Inc.
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