

BOARD MEETING DATE: December 6, 2024

AGENDA NO. 1

MINUTES: Governing Board Monthly Meeting

SYNOPSIS: Attached are the Minutes of the November 1, 2024 Board Meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the November 1, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes.

Faye Thomas  
Clerk of the Boards

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**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2024**

Notice having been duly given, the regular meeting of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board was conducted in a hybrid format (in person and remotely via videoconferencing and telephone). Members present:

Councilmember Michael A. Cacciotti, Vice Chair  
Cities of Los Angeles County – Eastern Region

Mayor Patricia Lock Dawson  
Cities of Riverside County

Supervisor Curt Hagman  
County of San Bernardino

Gideon Kracov  
Governor's Appointee

Mayor Pro Tem Larry McCallon  
Cities of San Bernardino County

Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell  
County of Los Angeles

Board Member Veronica Padilla-Campos  
Speaker of the Assembly Appointee

Supervisor V. Manuel Perez (Left the meeting at ~12:00 p.m.)  
County of Riverside

Councilmember Carlos Rodriguez  
Cities of Orange County

Mayor José Luis Solache  
Cities of Los Angeles County – Western Region

Supervisor Donald P. Wagner  
County of Orange

Absent: Chair Vanessa Delgado  
Senate Rules Committee Appointee

Councilmember Nithya Raman  
City of Los Angeles

For additional details of the Governing Board Meeting, please refer to the recording of the [Webcast](#) at: [Live Webcast \(aqmd.gov\)](#)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chair Cacciotti called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

- Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Board Member Padilla-Campos
- Roll Call
- Swearing in of Newly-Appointed Board Member Donald P. Wagner

Vice Chair Cacciotti administered the oath of office to Supervisor Wagner, who was appointed by the Orange County Board of Supervisors to fill the unexpired term ending January 2027.

- Presentation of Retirement to Derrick Alatorre

Vice Chair Cacciotti presented a retirement crystal and Resolution to Derrick Alatorre, Deputy Executive Officer/Legislative, Public Affairs, & Media, in recognition of his 16 years of dedicated service to the South Coast AQMD.

- Opening Comments

Councilmember Cacciotti commented on the South Coast AQMD 10th Annual Environmental Justice Conference and shared photos of the event, as well as his ride on the Metro Goldline to the University of Southern California's Town and Gown in Los Angeles where the conference was held on October 24, 2024.

Executive Officer Wayne Nastri highlighted the significant grants U.S. EPA has recently awarded to South Coast AQMD and the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department to implement projects to reduce emissions at the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles.

Mayor Solache thanked staff for hosting the community meeting on October 9, 2024 in the City of Lynwood to provide information about Rule 1180 – Fenceline and Community Air Monitoring for Petroleum Refineries and Rule 1180.1 – Fenceline and Community Air Monitoring for Other Refineries.

Mayor Lock Dawson announced that she would be representing Southern California at the 29th United Nations' Conference of the Parties on Climate Change (COP 29) in Baku, Azerbaijan.

Supervisor Wagner remarked about having worked with a majority of the Board Members in other capacities and is looking forward to working with everyone on this Board.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – (Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3)**

The Public Comment Period on Non-Agenda Items was opened. The following individuals addressed the Board. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 30:50.

Chris Chavez, Coalition for Clean Air  
MaCarmen Gonzalez, People's Collective for Environmental Justice (via Spanish interpreter)  
Paola Vargas, East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice (EYCEJ) (Marlen Sanchez and Maria Reyes appeared with Paola Vargas)  
Jessie Parks, Sierra Club and Rainbow Pride Youth Alliance  
Cristhian Tapia-Delgado, Pacific Environment and EYCEJ  
Andrea Vidaurre, People's Collective for Environmental Justice  
Ali Gallardo  
Alondra Matteo  
Mark! Lopez, EYCEJ  
Alison Hahm, Natural Resources Defense Council  
Diego Mayen, Healthy Active Streets and EYCEJ  
Kimberly Amaya, EYCEJ and West Long Beach resident  
Emily Quest, Long Beach resident  
Fernando Gaytan, Earthjustice  
Theral Golden, West Long Beach Association  
Jennifer Cardenas, Sierra Club  
Maria Reyes (via Spanish interpreter)  
Julia May, Communities for a Better Environment  
Al Sattler, member of the public  
Laura, Bell Gardens resident  
Diane Patrick Flowers, member of the public  
Fernando Marquez Duarte, People's Collective for Environmental Justice  
Marven Norman, Center for Community Action & Environmental Justice and San Bernardino resident,  
Marlin Dawoodjee Vargas, Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma  
Sylvia Betancourt, Long Beach Alliance for Children with Ashtma

Comments from the above speakers regarding the Port ISR included the following:

- Support moving forward with a strong Port ISR without further delay.
- Need a measurable and enforceable regulation to meet emission reduction targets and guide the zero-emission transition.
- Port ISR must include emission reduction requirements, infrastructure planning requirements and benchmarks, and monitoring and recordkeeping requirement
- Disappointed there is no rule concept or language yet.
- Questioned claims from other commentators that the Port ISR contains a cargo cap, since there is no rule language.
- Expressed concern for themselves as well as family and friends who are disproportionately impacted by air pollution from freights and the ports

Thomas Jelenić, Pacific Merchant Shipping Association, pointed out that the latest emission inventories for the Ports show significant reductions in diesel and NOx emissions. He commented on the U.S. EPA grant award to the Port of Los Angeles and commended the South Coast AQMD-led coalition that travelled to Washington D.C. earlier this year to advocate for additional funding. He emphasized that infrastructure is what will

achieve emission reductions and thanked staff for scheduling a technical working group meeting. Executive Officer Wayne Nastri announced that a Port Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Working Group Meeting is scheduled for November 15. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:08:13.

Julia May, Communities for a Better Environment, expressed concerns about flaring events at refineries and emphasized the need for online video monitoring and real-time reporting from the refineries. She called for staff to resume providing updates on the South Coast AQMD's webpage on refinery events and other air quality incidents. (Submitted Video Footage). For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:10:33.

Ranji George, a member of the public, remarked that only Congress, under the Interstate Commerce Clause, has the authority to place a cap on the volume of products and services at the ports. He expressed concerns about EV battery disposal/recycling and urged that funding be set aside to address this issue. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:12:43.

Jeff Faller, Apartment Association of Southern California, recognized the emission reductions achieved at the Ports and acknowledged that more work is needed, but cautioned about the economic impact of regulatory measures on everyone.

Harvey Eder, Public Solar Power Coalition, gave notice of taking legal action concerning due process for the federal grants that were awarded. He commented on the Solar New Deal and deaths from PM2.5. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:24:15.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Non-Agenda Items.

Written Comments Submitted Regarding South Coast AQMD v. City of Los Angeles (Hyperion Water Treatment Plant) Hearing Board Abatement Order, Case No. 1212-40

- Darrell George, El Segundo City Manager



## **CONSENT AND BOARD CALENDAR**

### **Items 1 through 3 – Action Items/No Fiscal Impact**

1. Approve Minutes of October 4, 2024 Board Meeting
2. Set Public Hearings December 6, 2024 to Consider Adoption of and/or Amendments to South Coast AQMD Rules and Regulations
  - A. Certify Final Subsequent Environmental Assessment for Proposed Amended Rule 1111– Reduction of NOx Emissions from Natural Gas-Fired Furnaces and Proposed Amended Rule 1121 – Reduction of NOx Emissions from Small Natural Gas-Fired Water Heaters; and Amend Rule 1111 and Rule 1121

- B. Determine that Proposed Rule 1159.1 – Control of NOx Emissions from Nitric Acid Tanks, is Exempt from CEQA and Adopt Rule 1159.1
3. Establish Board Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2025

**Items 4 through 6 – Budget/Fiscal Impact**

4. Execute Contracts to Develop Data-Based Planning Tool for Medium- and Heavy-Duty Truck Charging Networks, Fleets, and Power Grid Systems and to Investigate Benefits of Electric Vehicle-to-Home Technology on Air Quality
5. Expand Purpose of LADWP Settlement Projects Fund, Recognize Funds, Execute Contracts for Electrification Projects at Los Angeles Zoo, and Reimburse General Fund for Project Administrative Costs
6. Adopt Resolution and Recognize Revenue for Continued AB 617 Implementation

**Items 7 through 13 – Information Only/Receive and File**

7. Legislative, Public Affairs and Media Report
8. Hearing Board Report
9. Civil Filings and Civil Penalties Report
10. Intergovernmental Review of Environmental Documents and CEQA Lead Agency Projects
11. Rule and Control Measure Forecast
12. 2024 Annual Progress Report for Assembly Bill 617 Community Emission Reductions Plans
13. Status Report on Major Ongoing and Upcoming Projects for Information Management

**Items 14 through 19 – Reports for Committees and CARB**

*The October 17, 2024 MSRC meeting was cancelled. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the MSRC will be held on November 21, 2024.*

14. Administrative Committee
15. Legislative Committee
16. Mobile Source Committee
17. Stationary Source Committee
18. Technology Committee
19. California Air Resources Board Monthly Report
20. Items Deferred from Consent and Board Calendar  
Agenda Item Nos. 2A and 12 were pulled.

**Disclosures**

Supervisor Perez reported that he had no financial interest in Agenda Item No. 6 but is required to identify for the record that he is a Board Member of the California Air Resources Board, which is involved in this item.

Board Member Kracov reported that he had no financial interest in Agenda Item No. 6 but is required to identify for the record that he is a Board Member of the California Air Resources Board, which is involved in this item.

The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item Nos. 1, 2B, and 3–19. The following individual addressed the Board.

**Agenda Item No. 18 Regarding the Draft Clean Air Plan**

Ranji George, expressed disappointment at the decrease in funding for hydrogen/fuel cell technologies. He urged for additional funding towards refueling hydrogen stations and to address challenges that consumers experience at hydrogen stations. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:34:50.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item Nos. 1, 2B, and 3–19.

**Board Action (Items 1, 2B, and 3–19)**

MOVED BY MCCALLON AND SECONDED BY SOLACHE TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NOS. 1, 2B, AND 3 THROUGH 19 AS RECOMMENDED AND:

RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORTS FOR THE BOARD COMMITTEES AND CARB;

ADOPT RESOLUTION 24-26 ESTABLISHING THE 2025 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE; AND

ADOPT RESOLUTION 24-27 RECOGNIZING GRANT FUNDS AND ACCEPTING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE FY 2023-24 COMMUNITY AIR PROTECTION PROGRAM GRANT AWARD G23-CAPP-31.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Hagman, Kracov, McCallon, Mitchell, Perez Rodriguez, Solache, and Wagner

NOES: None

ABSENT: Delgado, Padilla-Campos, and Raman

\*Board Member Padilla-Campos was not in the room at the time of the vote.



**Item Pulled for Discussion – Agenda Item No. 2A**

The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item No. 2A. The following individuals addressed the Board. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 1:38:42.

Peter Whittingham, LA Bizfed  
Kory Griggs, Indoor Weather Heating, Air & Refrigeration, Inc  
Kevin Barker, SoCalGas  
Blake Perez, Building Owners and Managers Association of Greater Los Angeles  
Audrey Egger, Inland Empire Economic Partnership  
Mihran Toumajian, NAIOP SoCal  
George Boutros, Orange County Business Council  
Victor Reyes, Valley Industry & Commerce Association  
Mike Lewis, Construction Industry Air Quality Coalition

Comments from the above speakers included the following:

- Request that the Board defer the public hearing for 90 days
- Expressed concerns with the Draft SEA and cost effective analysis
- Expressed concerns that residents and businesses are unaware of the significant cost impact
- Request that staff initiate a robust public awareness campaign
- Need to consider implications for residents in high-altitude areas
- Ensure electric utilities can handle the increased load on the grid

Chris Chavez, Coalition for Clean Air  
Brendan Wade Brown, Green and Healthy Homes Initiative  
Kim Orbe, Sierra Club  
Fernando Gaytan, Earthjustice  
Andrea Vidaurre, People's Collective for Environmental Justice  
Michael Rochmes, LA Climate Reality  
Jed Holtzman, RMI  
Ann Pernick, Safe Cities at Standout Earth  
Yue Shen, West Los Angels resident

Comments from the above speakers included the following:

- Expressed support for PARs 1111 and 1121 and opposed further delays
- Expressed frustration at last-minute efforts to delay the rule
- The rules will achieve significant NOx emission reductions

Harvey Eder expressed concern that heat pumps are replacing solar water heating systems. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:07:22.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item No. 2A.

Written Comments Submitted Supporting PARs 1111 & 1121

- Brendan Brown, Green & Healthy Homes Initiative
- One letter signed on behalf of the following organizations: Andrea Vidaurre, The People's Collective for Environmental Justice; Charles Miller, Los Angeles Climate Reality; David Diaz, MPH, Active San Gabriel Valley; Tomas Castro, OC Climate Equity Advocate; Lisa Swanson, Climate Reality Project Orange County Chapter; Christopher Chavez, Coalition for Clean Air; Christy Zamani, Day One; Fernando



Gaytan, Earthjustice; Jorge Rivera, Healing and Justice Center, Charlotte Matthews, RMI; Jed Holtzman, RMI; Sharon Ungersma, San Gabriel Valley Climate Reality Project; Kim Orbe, Sierra Club; Sam Fishman, SPUR; Stuart Wood, PhD Sustainable Claremont; and Ben Stapleton, U.S. Green Building Council California

Written Comments Submitted Requesting Delay of PARs 1111 & 1121

- Mike Lewis, Construction Industry Air Quality Coalition
- Kevin Barker, SoCalGas
- Kory Griggs, Indoor Weather Inc. (submitted two letters)

Written Comments Submitted Opposing PARs 1111 & 1121

- Sandi Schulz
- Julie Peterson, San Bernardino Mountain resident
- Jim Stickney, San Bernardino Mountain resident
- Jackie Crowder, Lake Arrowhead resident
- James Williamson, Lake Arrowhead resident
- Teresa Radsick
- Elizabeth Kanayan, Mountain Community resident
- Jill Barkley, Lake Arrowhead resident
- Lyle Barkley, Lake Arrowhead plumbing contractor
- Judith Trafton, Running Springs resident
- Leslie Gagen



Mayor Pro Tem McCallon commended staff for their work and diligent efforts on PARs 1111 and 1121. He highlighted concerns that there had not been adequate public outreach to the millions of residents who will be impacted by the rules; impact on housing availability; operational costs for mountain constituents; adequate capacity for utilities to handle the load; and adequacy of the cost and economic impact analysis and draft SEA. He recommended additional time for staff to address these concerns and moved for a 90-day Set Hearing (February 2025 Public Hearing), with progress reports to the Stationary Source Committee during the 90-day period. Councilmember Rodriguez seconded the motion. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:12:16.

Supervisor Mitchell commented on the year-long rule development process for PARs 1111 and 1121 that included numerous Working Group Meetings and expressed her opposition to a 90-day Set Hearing. She expressed concerns with the pattern of last-minute efforts to delay rules and questioned what a 90-day delay would accomplish. If the rule is delayed, she requested specific details be provided about extended outreach and that it includes information about the incentive and rebate programs that will benefit consumers. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:16:27.

In response to Supervisor Mitchell's inquiry about the effectiveness of public outreach, Executive Officer Nastri asked for clarification of the type of outreach and that multimedia campaigns with television, print, and radio are not typically done, and most outreach is conducted after the rule is adopted. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:20:42.

Mr. Krause highlighted revisions to provisions such as units that would be installed in high altitude areas, units installed at multi-family properties, and allowances for construction delays and panel upgrades. Mr. Krause also mentioned that the Technology Check-In was moved up to December 2026 and reminded the Board that the Go Zero pilot program will provide incentives with a focus on overburdened communities. Executive Officer Nastri added that South Coast AQMD has \$20 million for Go Zero with \$1 million dedicated for outreach and there are additional funds that will be added after the this initial pilot stage of Go Zero. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:22:00.

Board Member Padilla-Campos concurred with Supervisor Mitchell and stated that she would not be supporting Mayor Pro Tem McCallon's motion. She highlighted the concerns of community members and the need to prioritize regulations that will have significant positive health impacts on their communities. She made a substitute motion to set the public hearing for December as recommended by staff. Supervisor Mitchell seconded the motion. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:25:15.

Councilmember Rodriguez concurred with Supervisor Mitchell regarding the need for specific details about extended outreach efforts. He expressed concerns that residents do not understand the cost implications of these rules and have not had a chance to provide input. He highlighted the costs burden that residents already have to bear from high costs of housing and inflation. He expressed support for the additional 90 days to allow staff time to conduct more outreach and work with councils of government to inform their constituents. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:28:24.

Supervisor Perez commented on the significant costs to replace a water heater for residents who are already dealing with high housing costs. He highlighted the need for a balanced approach when there are competing interests and expressed support for the motion to delay the hearing for 90 days. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:33:50.

Supervisor Wagner commented that delaying is not necessarily bad and the need to understand the purpose of public outreach. If the goal is to let people know about the rule and its requirements then public outreach could occur later; however, if the goal is to change the rule so it works better for most people, then public outreach needs to come earlier. Supervisor Wagner explained that he first heard about the proposed rules in October and notices about "Proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1121" and "NOx emission reductions" do not get the attention of the general public, but saying that the cost can be \$10,000 to \$12,000 will have a much different reaction from the general public. Supervisor Wagner expressed support for Mayor Pro Tem McCallon's motion to allow more public outreach, with the goal of getting a better rule, and is not sure that 90

days is enough time. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:38:54.

Supervisor Mitchell asked about the level of outreach that can be expected in 90 days with the funds budgeted for outreach. Executive Officer Nastri commented that staff can reach out to Council of Governments and other local governments and added that a more extensive campaign would require more time than 90 days and is not budgeted. Executive Officer Nastri also reminded the Board that the implementation dates are 2027 and 2028 and the Technology Review at the end of 2026. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:43:03.

Supervisor Mitchell commented on the off ramps included in PARs 1111 and 1121 and inquired about the budget allocated for incentives and rebates. Executive Officer explained that there is approximately \$100 million for the Go Zero program. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:46:05.

Mayor Solache indicated that he understood the motion to delay but wanted to highlight the need to prioritize the community and their appeals to ensure the rules are adopted. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:48:34.

Board Member Padilla-Campos emphasized the need to focus on engaging with the public to highlight the availability of incentives and rebates. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:49:05.

Mayor Lock Dawson acknowledged the merits of both the calls of the community to get this done and the recommendation for a 90-day period delay. She questioned whether 90 days would do much for outreach but also felt that there would be no harm if delayed and therefore, would be supporting Mayor Pro Tem McCallon's original motion. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:49:36.

Vice Chair Cacciotti asked if there were any concerns with CEQA compliance for the proposed rules. Mr. Gilchrist responded that there were no concerns. The Vice Chair indicated that he was also tired of the delays; however, given that the earliest implementation deadline is not until 2027 and that there will be a technology review soon, he would be supporting the original motion. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:50:43.

### **Board Action (Item 2A) – SUBSTITUTE MOTION**

MOVED BY PADILLA-CAMPOS AND SECONDED BY MITCHELL  
TO APPROVE THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO SET THE  
PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDED RULES 1111 AND  
1121 FOR DECEMBER 6, 2024.

THE MOTION FAILED FOR A LACK OF SEVEN CONCURRING  
VOTES:

AYES: Mitchell and Padilla-Campos

NOES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Hagman, Kracov,  
McCallon, Perez, Rodriguez, Solache,  
and Wagner

ABSENT: Delgado and Raman

**Board Action (Item 2A) – ORIGINAL MOTION**

MOVED BY MCCALLON AND SECONDED BY RODRIGUEZ FOR A 90-DAY SET HEARING, (FOR PROPOSED AMENDED RULES 1111 AND 1121 TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE FEBRUARY 7, 2025 MEETING), WITH STATUS REPORTS TO THE STATIONARY SOURCE COMMITTEE DURING THE 90-DAY PERIOD.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Hagman, Kracov,  
McCallon, Perez, Rodriguez, Solache,  
and Wagner

NOES: Mitchell and Padilla-Campos

ABSENT: Delgado and Raman

(Supervisor Perez left the meeting at approximately 12:00 p.m.)

**Item Pulled for Staff Presentation – Agenda Item No. 12**

Anissa Heard-Johnson, Deputy Executive Office/Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion with Community Air Programs, and Walter Shen, Director of Community Air Programs, gave the staff presentation on the 2024 Annual Progress Report for AB 617 Community Emission Reduction Plans. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:54:07.

The public comment period was opened for Agenda Item No. 12. The following individual addressed the Board.

Harvey Eder *[Mr. Eder was interrupted as his comments were off topic.]* For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 2:50:43.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda Item No. 12.

**Board Action (Item 12)**

MOVED BY MCCALLON AND SECONDED BY LOCK DAWSON TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT FOR ASSEMBLY BILL 617 COMMUNITY EMISSION REDUCTIONS PLANS.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Hagman, Kracov,  
McCallon, Mitchell, Padilla-Campos,  
Rodriguez, Solache, and Wagner

NOES: None

ABSENT: Delgado, Perez, and Raman

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

21. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1151 – Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Non-Assembly Line Coating Operations Does Not Require New Environmental Document; and Amend Rule 1151

Heather Farr, Planning and Rules Manager, gave the staff presentation on Agenda Item No. 21. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 3:10:21.

The public comment period was opened for Agenda item No. 21. The following individuals addressed the Board. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 3:16:43.

Rita Loof, RadTech International  
Cara Bommarito, sits on a committee for sustainability that works with the  
UV/EB/LED industry

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Comments from the above speakers included the following:

- The proposal has burdensome requirements that makes it harder to implement non-toxic technology like UV/EB/LED
- Proposal will negatively impact companies that use UV/EB/LED processes
- Requested regulatory flexibility for UV/EB/LED processes

Gene Lopez, Seidner's Collision Center, indicated that the compounds selected to reduce VOC have been in use for over 20 years and expressed concern that the reformulation timeline is three to four years. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 3:17:39.

Harvey Eder expressed concerns over the toxicity of polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 3:19:02

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda item No. 21.

Councilmember Rodriguez asked for clarification on why UV/EB/LED cannot be exempt from the additional recordkeeping requirements. Ms. Farr explained that Proposed Amended Rule 1151 incorporates Rule 109 by reference for recordkeeping of all sources. The reporting is once every five years and there are three reporting cycles. This information is needed and used by rulemaking staff to determine if VOC limits can be lowered. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 3:21:27.

Board Member Kracov asked that staff respond to the commenter who felt it was too early to ban pCBtF. Ms. Farr explained that manufacturers have been using pCBtF since 2014 and that OEHHA recently determined that pCBtF is a potent carcinogen. Ms. Farr explained that it is important to phase out pCBtF and that VOC limits are being increased to allow manufacturers to reformulate their products without pCBtF. Mr. Krause added that the reformulation timeline has been extended to a three- to five-year period in the proposal. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 3:22:36

**Board Action (Item 21)**

MOVED BY SOLACHE AND SECONDED BY KRACOV TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NO 21 AS RECOMMENDED AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-28:

- 1) DETERMINING THAT PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 1151 – MOTOR VEHICLE AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT NON-ASSEMBLY LINE COATING OPERATIONS IS A LATER ACTIVITY WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE FINAL PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE 2022 AQMP SUCH THAT NO NEW ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT WILL BE REQUIRED; AND
- 2) AMENDING RULE 1151 – MOTOR VEHICLE AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT NON-ASSEMBLY LINE COATING OPERATIONS.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Hagman,  
Kracov, McCallon, Mitchell, Padilla-Campos,  
Rodriguez, Solache, and Wagner

NOES: None

ABSENT: Delgado, Perez, and Raman



22. Determine That Proposed Amended Rule 1173 – Control of Volatile Organic Compound Leaks and Releases from Components at Petroleum Facilities and Chemical Plants, Is Exempt from CEQA; and Amend Rule 1173

The Board agreed to waive the staff presentation on Agenda Item No. 22.

The public comment period was opened for Agenda item No. 22. The following individuals addressed the Board. For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 3:24:24

Julia May, Communities for a Better Environment  
Oscar Espino-Padron, Earthjustice

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Comments from the above speakers included the following:

- Expressed support for PAR 1173 but felt that refineries need to do more
- Commented on the significance of the rule in reducing VOC and benzene emissions
- Requested that other refinery rules be reopened

Harvey Eder [*Mr. Eder was interrupted as his comments were off topic.*] For additional details, please refer to the [Webcast](#) beginning at 3:26:36.

There being no further requests to speak, the public comment period was closed for Agenda item No. 22.

### **Board Action (Item 22)**

MOVED BY MCCALLON AND SECONDED BY HAGMAN TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM NO 22 AS RECOMMENDED AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-29:

- 1) DETERMINING THAT PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 1173 – CONTROL OF VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND LEAKS AND RELEASES FROM COMPONENTS AT PETROLEUM FACILITIES AND CHEMICAL PLANTS IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT; AND
- 2) AMENDING RULE 1173 – CONTROL OF VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND LEAKS AND RELEASES FROM COMPONENTS AT PETROLEUM FACILITIES AND CHEMICAL PLANTS.

THE MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Cacciotti, Lock Dawson, Hagman, Kracov,  
McCallon, Mitchell, Padilla-Campos, Rodriguez,  
Solache, and Wagner

NOES: None

ABSENT: Delgado, Perez, and Raman



**CLOSED SESSION**

There was no closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Vice Chair Cacciotti adjourned the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

The foregoing is a true statement of the proceedings held by the South Coast Air Quality Management District Board on November 1, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

Faye Thomas  
Clerk of the Boards

Date Minutes Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Vanessa Delgado, Chair

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**ACRONYMS**

AQMP = Air Quality Management Plan

CARB = California Air Resources Board

CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act

FY = Fiscal Year

ISR = Indirect Source Rule

MSRC = Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee

OEHHA = California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment

PcBtF = para-Chlorobenzotrifluoride

SEA = Subsequent Environmental Assessment

UV/EB/LED = Ultraviolet/Electron Beam/Light. Emitting Diode

VOC = Volatile Organic Compounds