

South Coast Air Quality Management District
Notice of Public Workshop

**PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 1151 –
MOTOR VEHICLE AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT NON-ASSEMBLY LINE COATING OPERATIONS**

Friday August 30, 2024
9:00 a.m.

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Purpose of This Meeting

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) has scheduled a Public Workshop to present and solicit information and suggestions from the public regarding the adoption of: Proposed Amended Rule 1151 – Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Non-Assembly Line Coating Operations (PAR 1151) which is scheduled for a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on November 1, 2024 (subject to change).

Rule Background

Rule 1151 was adopted in July 1988 to reduce volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions, toxic air contaminants, stratospheric ozone-depleting compounds, and global-warming compound emissions from automotive coating applications performed on non-assembly line motor vehicles, mobile equipment, and associated parts and components. Rule 1151 has been amended 13 times; the last amendment was in September 2014 which sought to make administrative changes to clarify rule provisions. Prior to the 2014 amendment, Rule 1151 was amended in December 2005 to reduce VOC limits and modified coating categories to align with the California Air Resources Board's 2005 Automotive Refinishing Suggested Control Measure.

Objective of Proposed Amended Rule

The objective of PAR 1151 is to phase out and prohibit the use of two solvents currently exempt from the definition of a VOC that have been determined to have toxic endpoints: para-chlorobenzotrifluoride (pCBtF) and *tert*-butyl acetate (t-BAc). To expedite the transition away from these solvents, PAR 1151 proposes a temporary increase in VOC limits (Phase I limits) to allow the sale of coatings formulated to meet the National U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) VOC content limits in the South Coast AQMD and to allow time for manufacturers to reformulate automotive coatings to meet lower future effective VOC limits (Phase II limits) without pCBtF and t-BAc. PAR 1151 will allow certain coating categories to maintain higher VOC limits due to the prohibition of pCBtF and t-Bac and create some subcategories of coatings with higher VOC limits.

California Environmental Quality Act

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and South Coast AQMD's certified regulatory program (Public Resources Code Section 21080.5, CEQA Guidelines Section 15251(l) and South Coast AQMD Rule 110), the South Coast AQMD, as lead agency, is currently reviewing the proposed project (PAR 1151) to determine if it will result in any potential adverse environmental impacts. Appropriate CEQA documentation will be prepared based on the analysis.

Available Supporting Documents

The following supporting documents will be available no later than August 16, 2024:

- Preliminary Draft Proposed Amended Rule 1151; and
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for Proposed Amended Rule 1151

To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of Preliminary Draft PAR 1151 and the Preliminary Draft Staff Report will be available no later than August 16, 2024, and may be obtained from:

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The documents will also be available for download from the South Coast AQMD website at:
<http://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules/rule-1151>

Americans with Disabilities Act and Language Accessibility

Disability and language-related accommodations can be requested to allow participation in the Public Workshop. The agenda will be made available, upon request, in appropriate alternative formats to assist persons with a disability (Government Code Section 54954.2(a)). In addition, other documents may be requested in alternative formats and languages. Any disability or language-related accommodation must be requested as soon as practicable. Requests will be accommodated unless providing the accommodation would result in a fundamental alteration or undue burden to the South Coast AQMD. Please contact Marissa Poon at (909) 396-2119 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to mpoon@aqmd.gov.

Key Contacts for Submitting Questions and Comments

Attendees are invited to ask questions and make comments during the Public Workshop. Questions, comments, documents, or other relevant information may also be directed to:

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Staff requests written comments on PAR 1151 be submitted no later than **September 13, 2024**.