

Mr. Krause and Ms. Farr South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) 21865 Copley Drive Diamond Bar, CA 91765

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RE: Support for Proposed Amended Rules 1111 and 1121

Dear Mr. Krause and Ms. Farr:

On behalf of West Long Beach Association, we write to support the South Coast AQMD's efforts to clean up appliance pollution through amending Rules 1111 and 1121. This proposed regulatory package will achieve more emissions reductions than any other effort passed in over three decades. The effort is also consistent with the 2022 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP), which determined that "[t]he only way to achieve the required NOx reductions is through extensive use of zero emission technologies across all stationary and mobile sources." Given the serious pollution in this region, these health gains from advancing zero-emissions are desperately needed for millions of people. We are deeply concerned that the proposal is getting weakened through delaying compliance deadlines and many loopholes. We encourage staff to reject these efforts to reduce the efficacy of the rule. It is vital that these rules go to the Governing Board in a strong form and be adopted in February.

The time is now to put human beings lives first by removing all sources of negative health impacts instated of profit margins. Industry must no longer be able to hide industries murderous deeds with in weak rules. At some point the board becomes complicit in industries action. Study after study shows the harm NOx is doing to communities and yet you are reluctant to move forward with the resolve to move forward to save human lives. Your own reports have shown the results of NOx pollution are catastrophic, people are dying as a result. The fact is more people are dying from pollution in Los Angeles county than the homicide rate per year in any of the past five years. These reports and other are not read and file, but to read, file and take the accurate action to eliminate their source or sources of pollution.

[We remain pleased to see the South Coast AQMD's Go Zero program take form. These incentives will be really helpful in hastening the transition away from combustion in our

¹ South Coast AQMD, 2022 AQMP, at Executive Summary.

buildings. It is our understanding that the South Coast AQMD's Executive Officer has committed to a 5-fold increase in the \$21 million allocated to this program. It is vital the Board endorse this commitment via resolution to ensure \$100 million goes towards these incentives.

We appreciate AQMD staff's significant work on these proposed amendments to Rules 1111 and 1121. Wrapping up this rulemaking process as soon as possible is vital, so we can work on the important aspects of transitioning away from combustion in our homes.

Sincerely,

Theral Golden Treasurer West Long Beach Association]