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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
El Dorado County
Air Quality Management District
Proposed amendments to Rule 215 – Architectural Coatings
Rule 101 – General Provisions and Definitions

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District (AQMD) has scheduled a public hearing on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at the El Dorado County Board of Supervisor's Hearing Room, 330 Fair Lane, Placerville, California, at 8AM or thereafter. AQMD is recommending the Air District Board of Directors adopt proposed amendments to Rule 215 – Architectural Coatings and Rule 101 – General Provisions and Definitions.

Ozone is created by a chemical reaction between volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and oxides of nitrogen (NOx) in the presence of sunlight. Breathing ozone has both short and long term negative health effects, ranging from decreased lung capacity, chest pains, wheezing, lung disease, and potentially increased risk of cardiovascular problems. Western El Dorado County is in "nonattainment" of the federal 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). Rule 215 limits the emissions of VOCs from the use of architectural coatings (paints). The rule applies to anyone who supplies, manufactures, blends, repackages, sells, offers for sale, applies, or solicits the application of any architectural coating for use in the District (i.e., all of El Dorado County). To achieve further emissions reductions, AQMD is proposing to lower the allowable content of VOCs in architectural coatings consistent with the 2007 Suggested Control Measure (SCM) developed by the California Air Resources Board as a "model rule" for updating architectural coatings rules. The VOC content limits in proposed Rule 215 are the same and are not stricter than those found in the SCM. The other air districts within the Sacramento Federal Ozone Nonattainment Area: Sacramento Metropolitan; Placer County; Yolo-Solano; and Feather River air districts; have all previously revised their architectural coatings rules to be consistent with the SCM. The proposed revisions to Rule 101 include additions to the VOC Exempt compound list consistent with compounds found on the US Environmental Protection Agency's list and other air district's lists, and minor edits to and clarifications of definitions.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that if adopted, Rule 215 and 101 will be submitted through the California Air Resources Board to the United States Environmental Protection Agency as a revision to the State Implementation Plan (SIP).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may examine the proposed rules and associated documents at the office of the Air Quality Management District, 330 Fair Lane, Building A, Placerville, CA 95667 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Friday by advance appointment. The rules are also available for review at the following web address <http://www.edcgov.us/AirQualityManagement>. You may also request a copy at the district office listed below. Please provide any comments on the rules in writing at 360 Fair Lane, Placerville, CA 95667 or via aqmd@edcgov.us. The rules will be considered for adoption by the AQMD Board of Directors during the public hearing on June 20, 2017. Please contact Adam Baughman at (530) 621-7501 if you have any questions or to make an appointment.