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Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is taking direct final action to approve revisions to the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) portion of the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). These revisions concern volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from general spray coating operations, surfactant manufacturing, and storage tanks at petroleum facilities. We are approving local rules that regulate these emission sources under the Clean Air

Act as amended in 1990 (CAA or the Act).

DATES: This rule is effective on October 27, 2003, without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse comments by September 25, 2003. If we receive such comment, we will publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register** to notify the public that this rule will not take effect.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments to Andy Steckel, Rulemaking Office Chief (AIR-4), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901.

You can inspect copies of the submitted SIP revisions and EPA's technical support documents (TSDs) at our Region IX office during normal business hours. You may also see copies of the submitted SIP revisions at the following locations:

Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Room B-102, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW., (Mail Code 6102T), Washington, DC 20460;

California Air Resources Board, Stationary Source Division, Rule Evaluation Section, 1001 "I" Street, Sacramento, CA 95814; and, South Coast Air Quality Management District, 21865 East Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

A copy of the rule may also be available via the Internet at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/drdb/drdbtxt.htm>.

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Please be advised that this is not an EPA Web site and may not contain the same version of the rule that was submitted to EPA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Throughout this document, "we," "us" and "our" refer to EPA.

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I. The State's Submittal

A. What Rules Did the State Submit?

Table 1 lists the rules we are approving with the dates that they were adopted by the local air agencies and submitted to EPA by the California Air Resources Board (CARB).

TABLE 1.—SUBMITTED RULES

Local agency	Rule No.	Rule title	Adopted	Submitted
SCAQMD	481	Spray Coating Operations	01/11/02	05/21/02
SCAQMD	1141.2	Surfactant Manufacturing	01/11/02	05/21/02
SCAQMD	1178	Further Control of VOC Emissions from Storage Tanks at Petroleum Facilities	12/21/01	05/21/02

On August 6, 2002, EPA found these rule submittals met the completeness criteria in 40 CFR part 51, appendix V. These criteria must be met before formal EPA review can begin.

B. Are There Other Versions of These Rules?

We approved versions of SCAQMD rules 481 and 1141.2 into the SIP on February 12, 2002 (*see* 67 FR 6410). Between these SIP incorporations and today, CARB has made no intervening submittals of these SCAQMD rules. SCAQMD rule 1178 has not been approved into the SIP.

C. What Is the Purpose of the Submitted Rules?

SCAQMD rule 481 is a rule specifying the conditions for using spray painting or spray coating equipment as well as exemptions from these conditions.

These exemptions can be divided between volumetric cut-offs and specified coating operations that are too difficult or unwieldy to be performed within a spray booth enclosure. SCAQMD's January 11, 2002, amendments to rule 481 included these significant changes to the version within the SIP.

- New sections were added for applicability, definitions, and test methods.
- Thirteen new definitions were added.
- High volume, low pressure (HVLP) coating was added as an acceptable coating application method.
- The test method section was updated to include standardized language concerning alternative methods to determine transfer efficiency, violations under multiple test methods in the rule, and revised test methods.

—Rule 109—Recordkeeping is referenced so as to require a source to keep records supporting the use of two exemptions.

—Finally, an exemption was added for extreme high gloss topcoats used in the marine pleasure craft industry.

SCAQMD rule 1141.2 prohibits manufacturing of surface-active agents such as detergents, wetting agents and emulsifiers unless certain emission requirements and work practices are met. SCAQMD's January 11, 2002, amendments to rule 1141.2 included these significant changes to the November 17, 2000, version within the SIP.

- New sections were added for applicability, definitions, and test methods.
- Several new definitions were added.