SUBJECT: NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

PROJECT TITLE: PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 1151 – MOTOR VEHICLE

AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT NON-ASSEMBLY LINE

COATING OPERATIONS

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is the Lead Agency and has prepared a Notice of Exemption for the project identified above.

The SCAQMD has reviewed the proposed project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines \$15002 (k)(1) - General Concepts, the first step of a three-step process for deciding which document to prepare for a project subject to CEQA. The SCAQMD has determined that that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed project may have any significant effects on the environment, and is therefore, exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines \$15061 - Review for Exemption, paragraph (b)(3) – "general rule" exemption.

A Notice of Exemption has been prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15062 - Notice of Exemption. If the project is approved, the Notice of Exemption will be filed with the county clerks of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties.

Any questions regarding this Notice of Exemption should be sent to Barbara Radlein (c/o Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources) at the above address. Ms. Radlein can also be reached at (909) 396-2716. Mr. Don Hopps is also available at (909) 396-2334 to answer any questions regarding the proposed amended rule.

Date: August 13, 2014 **Signature:**

Michael Krause

Program Supervisor, CEQA Section Planning, Rules, and Area Sources

Reference: California Code of Regulations, Title 14

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: County Clerks From: South Coast Air Quality Management District

Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, 21865 Copley Drive Riverside and San Bernardino Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Project Title:

Proposed Amended Rule 1151 – Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Non-Assembly Line Coating Operations

Project Location:

South Coast Air Quality Management District: the four-county South Coast Air Basin (Orange County and the non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties) and the Riverside County portion of the Mojave Desert Air Basin.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed amendments to Rule 1151 seek to make administrative changes by removing obsolete rule language and making minor revisions and editorial corrections. The proposed amendments will also add new definitions for the following terms: automotive graphic arts operation; solvent cleaning; and, weld-through primer. In addition, the proposed amendments will revise the transfer efficiency equivalency section and add an exemption from the transfer efficiency requirements for automotive graphic arts operations, truck bed liner coatings, and underbody coatings. Finally, the proposed amendments to Rule 1151 would update existing definitions, and include other minor changes for clarity and consistency throughout the rule.

Public Agency Approving Project: Agency Carrying Out Project:

South Coast Air Quality Management District

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Exempt Status:

CEQA Guidelines §15002 (k)(1) – General Concepts CEQA Guidelines §15061 (b)(3) – Review for Exemption

Reasons why project is exempt:

The SCAQMD has reviewed the proposed amendments to Rule 1151 pursuant to CEQA Guidelines \$15002 (k)(1) - General Concepts, the first step of a three-step process for deciding which document to prepare for a project subject to CEQA. The SCAQMD has determined that that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed project may have any significant effects on the environment, and is therefore, exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines \$15061 - Review for Exemption, paragraph (b)(3) – "general rule" exemption.

Project Approval Date:

SCAQMD Governing Board Hearing: September 5, 2014, 9:00 a.m.; SCAQMD Headquarters

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Date Received for Filing: Signature: (To be signed upon project approval)

Michael Krause, Program Supervisor Planning, Rule Development & Area Sources