



Air Pollution Control Board

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COMPLIANCE ADVISORY

NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS TO RULE 67.21 – ADHESIVE MATERIALS APPLICATION OPERATIONS

On May 14, 2008, the Air Pollution Control Board adopted amendments to existing District Rule 67.21, which controls volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from adhesive materials application operations. The rule was first adopted in 1998 and was amended to fulfill State requirements to implement all feasible control measures. These amendments will reduce VOC emissions primarily from architectural, specialty adhesive materials and certain substrate-specific adhesive material applications.

A public workshop was held on November 5, 2007, explaining the most recent changes.

Specifically, amended Rule 67.21 will:

- Specify lower VOC limits for certain architectural products (including various flooring and multipurpose construction adhesives).
- Specify lower VOC limits for contact adhesives.
- Add a new category for Top and Trim adhesive with a VOC limit of 540 g/l.
- Specify lower VOC limits for substrate-specific adhesives.
- Add, delete and clarify definitions.
- The District will no longer regulate the aerosol adhesives. These adhesives are now being regulated by the California Air Resources Board Consumer Products regulation.
- Update test methods, and remove or revise outdated references.
- Clarify that a facility claiming an exemption under section (b)(1) is only exempt from the adhesive material VOC limits specified in Subsection (d)(1). Facilities must otherwise comply with the VOC limits for bonding agents and clean-up, stripping and surface preparation solvents.

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The new amendments will go into effect on November 14, 2008, except the higher VOC limit specified for Top and Trim coatings which went into effect on May 14, 2008.

The District has created a list of materials compliant with the new lower limits. The list can be accessed through the following link: <http://www.sdapcd.org/rules/wrkshps/67-21CompliantCoat.pdf>.

Copies of the amended rule can be obtained from the District's website at <http://www.sdapcd.org/rules/rules/rr.html> or you may call Janet McCue at (858) 586-2712. If you have questions concerning the amended Rule 67.21, please contact Angela Durr at (858) 586-2753 or Gary Hartnett at (858) 586-2671.

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