



Air Pollution Control Board

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NOTICE OF WORKSHOP

FOR DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED NEW RULE 67.20 – MOTOR VEHICLE AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT COATING OPERATIONS AND REPEAL OF EXISTING RULE 67.20 – MOTOR VEHICLE AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT REFINISHING OPERATIONS

The San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (District) will hold a public meeting to consider comments concerning proposed new Rule 67.20 – Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Coating Operations and repeal of existing Rule 67.20 – Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Refinishing Operations. Comments may be submitted in writing before, or made at, the workshop, which is scheduled as follows:

DATE: Wednesday, July 15, 2009
TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
PLACE: Al Bahr Shrine
5440 Kearny Mesa Rd
San Diego, CA 92111-1303
(see map on pg. 4)

San Diego County does not meet the National and State Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone and is classified as an ozone nonattainment area. Both federal and State laws require the District to implement rules that control emissions of ozone precursors - volatile organic compounds (VOC) and oxides of nitrogen.

Existing Rule 67.20 regulates VOC emissions from motor vehicle and mobile equipment refinishing (painting or repainting) operations. The rule was adopted in 1996 pursuant to State law, which requires implementing the best available retrofit control technology and every feasible emissions control measure. In 2005, the California Air Resources Board adopted a Suggested Control Measure for Automotive Coatings (SCM) to simplify and promote consistency among local air district rules and to further reduce VOC emissions. Several air districts have since updated their rules to reflect the SCM, including South Coast, San Joaquin Valley, Ventura County, Santa Barbara County, and Bay Area. Consequently, compliant coatings and solvents are now readily available.

Due to the extent of Rule 67.20 revisions that would be necessary for consistency with the SCM, and for the purpose of clarity, the District proposes repealing existing Rule 67.20 and adopting new Rule 67.20 that incorporates the VOC limits and other provisions of the SCM.

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The new VOC limits for automotive coatings and cleaning solvents are significantly lower than those in the current rule. In addition, as required by the state SCM, the proposed rule has a number of prohibitions that include a prohibition of sale of non-compliant coatings or solvents and a prohibition of possession of such materials in automotive refinishing shops. The rule also contains some additional requirements for manufacturers or suppliers of automotive coatings and related materials to provide all the necessary information to their clients enabling them to comply with the rule requirements.

Specifically, the proposed new rule will:

- Apply to any person who conducts motor vehicle and/or mobile equipment coating operations, and associated cleaning operations, as defined.
- Apply to any person who supplies, sells, offers for sale, manufactures, or distributes any automotive coating or cleaning material for use within San Diego County.
- Eliminate the separation of vehicle types into Group I and Group II categories and instead provide uniform VOC limits for coatings used on passenger vehicles, heavy-duty vehicles, and mobile equipment.
- Eliminate the composite VOC limit for multistage systems and the corresponding averaging calculations of the VOC content for such systems, and instead provide separate VOC limits for clear coatings and color coatings.
- Combine some coating categories and replace the specialty coating category with a number of separate categories.
- Specify lower VOC limits for nearly all coating categories.
- Specify a VOC limit of 50 grams/liter for any cleaning material used for motor vehicle and mobile equipment coating operations.
- Prohibit the manufacture or sale for use in San Diego County of any automotive coating or cleaning material with a VOC content in excess of the limits specified in the rule.
- Prohibit the specification in job orders and contracts of any automotive coating or cleaning material for use in San Diego County if such use or application results in a violation of any provisions of the rule.
- Prohibit the possession of any automotive coating or cleaning material with a VOC content in excess of the limits specified in the rule at any automotive refinishing facility subject to such limits.
- Specify labeling requirements for manufacturers and suppliers of any automotive coating or associated cleaning material, and require that documentation such as product data sheets be provided by manufacturers or suppliers to customers.

- Specify monthly or daily recordkeeping requirements of automotive coatings and cleaning materials purchased and used at any automotive refinishing facility.
- Provide a one-year period after the date of adoption of new Rule 67.20 for an affected existing facility to comply with all the applicable requirements. New facilities will be required to comply with the rule at the time of initial startup.
- Add and revise some definitions of terms used in the rule.

Additionally, the rule contains the following exemptions:

- Completely exempt are: coating operations performed by individuals at their residences for the purpose of finishing or refinishing their personal vehicles; coating operations conducted with non-refillable hand-held aerosol spray containers; manufacture and sale of automotive coatings for use outside the District.
- Automotive coatings that are sold, supplied or offered for sale in containers with a capacity of 0.5 fluid ounces or less are exempt from the VOC content limits.
- Motor vehicle coating operations that are part of a vehicle restoration process are exempt from the VOC content limits for coatings and cleaning materials and application equipment requirements, provided that the specified conditions are met and the specified records are kept.
- Applications of underbody coatings, truck bed liner coatings and graphic design and any coating use in the amount of one fluid ounce or less per application are exempt from a requirement to use high transfer efficiency coating application equipment.

If you would like a copy of the proposed new Rule 67.20, please access the District's website <http://www.sdapcd.org/rules/wrkshps/wrkshed.html>, or you may call Janet McCue at (858) 586-2712. If you have any questions concerning the rule, please contact Randy Consolacion at (858) 586-2752 or Natalie Yates at (858) 586-2756.



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