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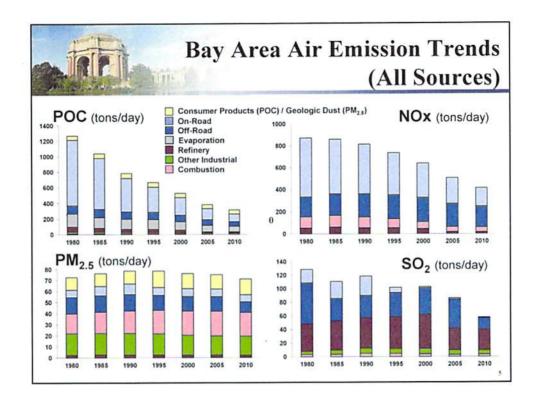
### **Background**

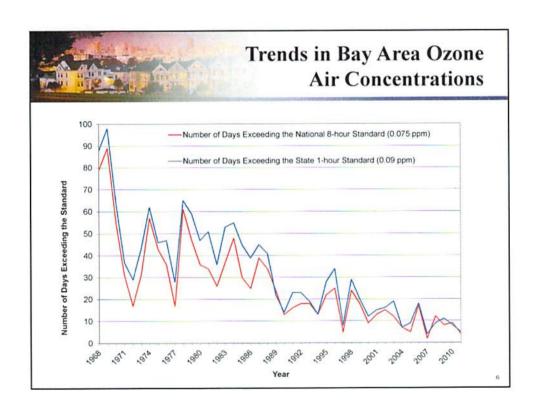
- The Air District regulates "stationary sources" of air pollution
- Bay Area refineries are subject to over 20 separate air quality rules
  - Accidental Release Prevention Programs are carried out by local Administering Agencies
- Significant air emission reductions have been achieved in the Bay Area
- Bay Area air quality has greatly improved, but additional improvements are needed

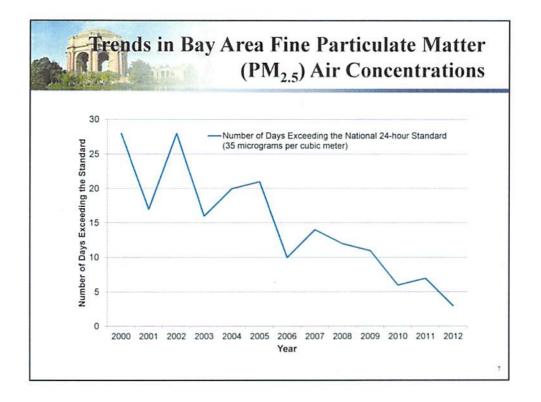
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#### **Air Pollutants**

- "Primary" versus "secondary" air pollutants
- Criteria pollutants
  - Ozone the primary component of summer-time smog, is formed in the atmosphere from precursor organic compounds (POC) and nitrogen oxides (NOx)
  - Particulate Matter (PM) e.g., PM<sub>2.5</sub> ("fine" particulate matter)
  - Sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)
  - Carbon monoxide (CO)
- Toxic Air Contaminants (TACs)
  - e.g., Benzene, polycyclic hydrocarbons, metals
- Greenhouse Gases (GHGs)
  - e.g., Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>)







## Air District Rule Development Process

- 1. Develop regulatory concept
- 2. Prepare draft rule
- 3. Seek public comment
- 4. Brief and seek input from Board of Directors
- Revise as appropriate into proposed rule
- 6. Compile information needed for rule adoption
  - · Address socioeconomic and environmental impacts
- 7. Board of Directors hold public hearing and consider rule adoption
- 8. Implement and enforce adopted rule

# Purpose of Petroleum Refinery Emissions Tracking Rule

- Five petroleum refineries in Bay Area
- Changing crude oil slates (or other factors) may lead to increased air emissions at refineries over time
  - · More energy is needed to refine heavier crudes
  - Sulfur or other contaminants, if not removed, could be emitted
  - Increased corrosion could lead to accidental releases
- Approach
  - Similar to that used in Air District Reg. 12-12: Flares at Petroleum Refineries
  - Track air emissions and community air quality over time, and make information available to the public
  - If annual emissions from a refinery increase by more than a small amount:
    - 1. Require that the cause be analyzed and disclosed
    - 2. Require that feasible measures be taken to reduce emissions expeditiously

# Description of Draft Rule: Emissions Tracking

- Refinery Emissions Inventory Reports
  - Include emissions of criteria, toxics, and greenhouse gas pollutants from stationary sources
  - Include all types of emissions (i.e., routine / predictable and accidental)
  - Methodology for determining emissions must be consistent with Refinery Emissions Inventory Guidelines (being developed)
    - EPA "Emissions Estimation Protocol for Petroleum Refineries" (2011)
  - Report must document methodology for each source of emissions / pollutant
- Process
  - · Each refinery must submit reports to the Air District
  - Air District staff conducts preliminary review return for revisions if needed
  - Public review
  - Air District staff conducts final review return for revisions if needed
  - Air District approves or disapproves report

# **Baseline and On-going Emissions Inventories**

- Baseline Emissions Inventory
  - Select calendar year period based on 10 year look-back (2004 2013)
  - Exclude non-complying emissions, emissions from reportable accidents
  - · Adjust for current emission limits
- On-going Emissions Inventories
  - Prepare for each calendar year starting with 2014
  - Revise Baseline Emissions Inventory as needed to maintain consistent methodology
  - Determine if emissions increase from baseline is above "trigger-levels"
    - Emissions based trigger-levels
    - · "Impact" based trigger-levels
      - Incremental impacts
      - · Cumulative impacts

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#### **Emission Reduction Plans**

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- Required if emissions from refinery increase above trigger-levels
- Causal analysis
- Identify air emission reduction measures to be implemented
  - · Measures sufficient to reduce emissions below trigger-levels within 2 years, or
  - · All feasible measures based on results of refinery-wide emission reduction audit
    - · Measures must be implemented on an expeditious schedule
    - Plans must be updated annually, until emissions are reduced below trigger-levels, to consider additional feasible measures based on changes in technology (or other factors)

#### Process

- Refinery must submit plans to the Air District within 90 days of approval of on-going emissions inventory report with increase above trigger-levels
- Air District staff conducts preliminary review return for revisions if needed
- Public review
- Air District staff conducts final review return for revisions if needed
- · Air District approves or disapproves plan



### **Air Monitoring Plans**

- Air Monitoring Plans
  - Must include fence-line and community air monitoring systems
  - System design must be consistent with Air Monitoring Guidelines (being developed)
    - Desert Research Institute report (underway)
    - Recommendations from Expert Panel (convene this summer)

#### Process

- Each refinery must submit plan to the Air District by Dec. 31, 2014
- Air District staff conducts preliminary review return for revisions if needed
- Public review
- Air District staff conducts final review return for revisions if needed
- · Air District approves or disapproves plan
- Monitoring systems must be operational within 1-year of plan approval
- Plans need to be revised if guidelines are updated

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# Remaining Rule Development Process

- Written comments on preliminary draft rule requested to be submitted by May 31, 2013
- Technical Working Group to be formed
  - · Discuss issues and rule language in detail
  - Review Emissions Inventory and Air Monitoring Guidelines
  - Anyone may participate (let us know, will poll workshop attendees)
- May have additional public workshops
- Periodic briefings for Board of Directors (Stationary Source Committee)
- Complete CEQA analysis
- Rule adoption not expected to be considered until first half of 2014

# **Comments / Questions**

Information on the development of the new Petroleum Refining Emissions Tracking rule will be provided on the Air District website at:

http://www.baaqmd.gov/Divisions/Planning-and-Research/Rule-Development/Rule-Workshops.aspx

- Workshop attendees, commenters, and any other interested individuals will be notified when new documents are posted
- Direct comments and questions to:

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