



BAY AREA
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DISTRICT

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

November 1, 2019

TO: INTERESTED PARTIES
FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICER / APCO
SUBJECT: **PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION 12: MISCELLANEOUS STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE, RULE 15: PETROLEUM REFINING EMISSIONS TRACKING; AND APPROVAL OF FILING A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)**

On **Wednesday, December 4, 2019**, the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District will conduct a public hearing at the Air District Headquarters' Board Room, 375 Beale Street, San Francisco, California, at 9:30 a.m.

The Board will consider:

- Adoption of proposed amendments to Regulation 12: Miscellaneous Standards of Performance, Rule 15: Petroleum Refining Emissions Tracking; and
- Approval of filing a Notice of Exemption from CEQA.

The proposed amendments to Rule 12-15 revise existing report submission deadlines to accommodate recent changes to a state-level regulation for emissions reporting ("Regulation for the Reporting of Criteria Air Pollutants and Toxic Air Contaminants"). Upon adoption, subject facilities (petroleum refineries and their support facilities) will be required to submit source-level emissions inventories on April 15 of each year to the Air District. Prior to adoption, the same report was due to the Air District on June 30.

The proposed amendments also require subject facilities to submit copies to the Air District of third-party verified greenhouse gas emissions inventories for sources subject to the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting Regulation (MRR Regulation). Upon adoption, these reports will be due to the Air District 5 days after they are due to CARB.

The Air District has determined that these amendments to Rule 12-15 are exempt from provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061, subd. (b)(3). The amendments are administrative in nature, do not affect air emissions from any sources,

and have no possibility of causing significant environmental effects. The District intends to file a Notice of Exemption pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15062.

Copies of the proposed amendments and the staff report are available at the Air District headquarters or on the Air District's website at www.baaqmd.gov/ruledev.

Interested parties are invited to submit written comments on the proposed amendments. For questions or comments on the rule development, please contact Mark Gage, Air Quality Engineer, at (415) 749-8705, or via email at mgage@baaqmd.gov. The deadline for comments on the proposed amendments is Friday, November 22, 2019.