BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-09

A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the
Bay Area Air Quality Management District
Amending District Regulation 6, Rule 3: Wood Burning Devices; and Adopting a
CEQA Negative Declaration for the Project

WHEREAS, public hearings have been properly noticed in accordance with the provisions of Health & Safety Code § 40725;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District ("Air District") has determined that a need exists to amend District rules and regulations by amending Regulation 6, Rule 3: Wood Burning Devices; as set forth in Attachment A hereto ("Proposed Amendments");

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Air District obtains its authority to adopt, amend or repeal rules and regulations from Sections 40000, 40001, 40702, and 40725 through 40728.5, of the California Health & Safety Code;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Air District has determined that the Proposed Amendments are written and displayed so that their meaning can be easily understood by the persons directly affected by the rule;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Air District has determined that the Proposed Amendments are in harmony with and not in conflict with or contradictory to existing statutes, court decisions, and state and federal regulations;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Air District has determined that the Proposed Amendments do not impose the same requirements as any existing state or federal regulation, and are necessary and proper to execute the power and duties granted to, and imposed upon, the Air District;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Air District, by adopting the Proposed Amendments, is implementing, interpreting or making specific the provisions of Health & Safety Code § 40001 (rules to achieve ambient air quality standards), and § 40702 (rulemaking actions that are necessary and proper to execute the powers and duties granted to it);

WHEREAS, the Air District prepared initial draft amendments, published them for comment, and held a series of nine public workshops throughout the Bay Area during March and April, 2015, to discuss the draft amendments with interested parties and the public;
WHEREAS, Air District staff presented concepts for the Proposed Amendments to the Board of Directors of the Air District on September 2, 2015;

WHEREAS, subsequent to the public workshops, Air District staff revised the draft amendments based on comments provided by the public and on September 18, 2015 published the Proposed Amendments for comment in advance of the public hearing to consider adoption by the Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2015 the Air District transmitted the text of the Proposed Amendments to California Air Resources Board;

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2015 the Air District published in newspapers and distributed and published on the Air District's website a notice of a public hearing on October 21, 2015 to consider adoption of the Proposed Amendments, and the notice included a request for public comments and input on the Proposed Amendments;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Air District held a public hearing on October 21, 2015 to consider the Proposed Amendments in accordance with all provisions of law (“Public Hearing”);

WHEREAS, at the Public Hearing, the subject matter of the Proposed Amendments was discussed with interested persons in accordance with all provisions of law;

WHEREAS, Air District staff has prepared and presented to the Board of Directors a detailed Staff Report regarding the Proposed Amendments, which Staff Report has been considered by this Board and is incorporated herein by reference;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds and determines that the Proposed Amendments are considered a “project” pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) (Public Resources Code § 21000 et seq.);

WHEREAS, the Air District is the CEQA lead agency for this project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15050 (14 California Code of Regulations (“CCR”) § 15050);

WHEREAS, Air District staff contracted with Environmental Audit, Inc., of Placentia, California to prepare an assessment of the potential environmental effects from the adoption and implementation of the Proposed Amendments;

WHEREAS, Environmental Audit, Inc., prepared an Initial Study as required by CEQA, in which the potential environmental effects from the adoption and implementation of the Proposed Amendments were analyzed, and subsequently prepared a Draft Negative Declaration for the proposed rulemaking project because the Initial Study identified no potentially significant effects on the environment and because there is no evidence in the record before the District that there could be a significant effect on the environment from the adoption and implementation of this rulemaking project;
WHEREAS, that Draft Negative Declaration and Initial Study were offered for and subjected to public review and comment (Public Resources Code §§ 21082.1, 21091, 21092; California Code of Regulations, title 14, § 15070 et seq.);

WHEREAS, public notice was provided and copies of the Draft Negative Declaration were made available to all interested persons and provided an adequate comment period of at least 20 days pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15105, subdivision (b);

WHEREAS, comments on the CEQA document were received from interested persons and responses to those comments were included in the final Staff Report;

WHEREAS, Air District staff, in exercising its independent judgment, has determined that there is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the Air District, that the adoption and implementation of the Proposed Amendments could have a significant effect on the environment;

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the adequacy of the Draft Negative Declaration be determined by the Board of Directors of the Air District prior to its adoption;

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Directors voting on this Resolution have reviewed and considered the Draft Negative Declaration;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds and determines that in light of the whole record before it (which specifically includes the Initial Study and the Draft Negative Declaration), the Proposed Amendments will not have any significant effect on the environment, and the Negative Declaration reflects the District's independent judgment and analysis;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors, pursuant to the requirements of Health & Safety Code § 40728.5, has actively considered the socioeconomic impacts of Proposed Amendments and has reviewed and considered the “Socio-Economic Impact Study of BAAQMD Regulation 6, Rule 3: Wood Burning Devices,” prepared for the District by BAE Urban Economics of Berkeley, California, which concludes that the Proposed Amendments may have a significant socioeconomic impact on small businesses selling firewood, but otherwise will have no significant economic impact;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that the Proposed Amendments represent a good faith effort to minimize adverse socioeconomic impacts as defined in Health & Safety Code § 40728.5 while achieving an appropriate level of emissions reductions;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors, pursuant to the requirements of Health & Safety Code § 40920.6, has actively considered the incremental cost-effectiveness of the Proposed Amendments in meeting emission reduction goals under the California Clean Air Act as set forth in the Staff Report, and finds and determines that there are no incrementally more cost-effective potential control options that would achieve the emission reduction objectives of the Proposed Amendments;
WHEREAS, the Air District has prepared, pursuant to the requirements of Health & Safety Code § 40727.2, a written analysis of federal, state, and District requirements applicable to this source category and has found that the Proposed Amendments would not be conflict with any federal, state, or other Air District rules, and the Board of Directors has agreed with these findings;

WHEREAS, the documents and other materials that constitute the record of proceedings on which this rulemaking project is based are located at the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, 94109, and the custodian for these documents is Sean Gallagher, Clerk of the Boards;

WHEREAS, Air District staff recommends adoption of the Proposed Amendments and adoption of the Negative Declaration for this rulemaking project;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors concurs with Air District staff’s recommendations and desires to adopt the Proposed Amendments and to adopt the Negative Declaration for the Proposed Amendments to comply with CEQA;

WHEREAS, to ensure continued protection of air quality and public health, the Board of Directors directs Air District staff to, within five years of adoption of the Proposed Amendments, evaluate the effectiveness thereof and, if it determined that further protections need to be instituted to address local and/or regional impacts of wood burning during Winter Spare the Air Alerts, consider proposing to the Board of Directors further amendments to Regulation 6, Rule 3 that would ban all wood burning at those times;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District does hereby adopt the Proposed Amendments, pursuant to the authority granted by law, as set forth in Attachment A hereto, and discussed in the Staff Report (including Appendices) with instructions to Air District staff to correct any typographical or formatting errors before final publication of the Proposed Amendments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District does hereby adopt the Negative Declaration pursuant to CEQA for the Proposed Amendments.
The foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly introduced, passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District on the Motion of Director __Hudson__, seconded by Director __Canepa__, on the 21st day of October, 2015 by the following vote of the Board:

**AYES:** Barrett, Canepa, Groom, Haggerty, Hudson, Kim, Miley, Mitchoff, Pepper, Rice, Ross, Sinks, Spering, Wagenknecht, Zane

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Avalos, Bates, Chavez, FujioKA, GIOIA, Kniss, Mar

_Carole Groom_
Chairperson of the Board of Directors

**ATTEST:**

_Liz Kniss_
Secretary of the Board of Directors
ATTACHMENT A

[PROPOSED AMENDMENTS]

Amended Regulation 6, Rule 3: Wood Burning Devices
Correction to Non-Functional, Permanently Installed Heater Exemption

An administrative error was discovered in the proposed effective date of the Non-functional, Permanently Installed Heater Exemption. The effective date has been corrected from November 1, 2016 to November 1, 2015 in Section 111 of the draft rule.
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WOOD-BURNING DEVICES
(Adopted July 9, 2008)

6-3-100 GENERAL

6-3-101 Description: The purpose of this rule is to limit emissions of particulate matter and visible emissions from wood-burning devices used for primary heat, supplemental heat or ambiance.

6-3-110 Natural Gas Service Unavailability: The requirement of Section 6-3-301 shall not apply to any person who operates a wood-burning device in an area where natural gas service is not available (which includes temporary service outages), as determined by gas utility service to an area or household. A person may qualify for this exemption even though propane fuel is available for space heating purposes.

Limited Exemption, Sole Source of Heat: Until October 31, 2016, the requirements of Section 6-3-301 shall not apply to any person whose sole source of heat is a wood-burning device.

110.1 Effective November 1, 2016, the requirements of Section 6-3-301 shall not apply to any person whose sole source of heat is an EPA certified wood-burning device that is registered with the District per the requirements of Sections 6-3-404 and 405 and who does not have available to them a permanently-installed natural gas, propane or electric heating device. Qualification for exemption is subject to verification.

110.2 Effective November 1, 2018, rental properties subject to Section 6-3-305 located in areas with natural gas service no longer qualify for exemption in Section 6-3-110.1.

6-3-111 Limited Exemption, Electrical Power Service Unavailability: The requirements of Section 6-3-301 shall not apply to any person in an area where electrical power service is not available (which includes temporary service outages), as determined by electrical utility service to an area or household.

Limited Exemption, Non-functional, Permanently Installed Heater: Effective November 1, 2015, the requirement of Section 6-3-301 shall not apply to any person whose only non-wood-burning, permanently-installed source of heat is non-functional and requires repair to resume operation. A dwelling may qualify for a 30-day exemption if there is no alternate form of heat and the non-functional heater is repaired to resume function within 30 days. Qualification for this exemption is subject to verification and must be supported by documentation of repair, which must be submitted to the District within 10 days of a receipt of a request for such records.

6-3-112 Limited Exemption, Only Source of Space Heat: The requirement of Section 6-3-301 shall not apply to any person whose only source of heat for residential space heating is a wood-burning device. A person claiming this exemption cannot have use of another form of functioning space heating.

Limited Exemption, Loss of Natural Gas and/or Electric Power: The requirement of Section 6-3-301 shall not apply to a person whose dwelling is in an area that has a temporary loss of gas and/or electric utility service and there is no alternate form of heat available. Qualification for exemption is subject to verification.

6-3-200 DEFINITIONS

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Alternate Form of Heat: A form of heat that does not burn wood or any other solid fuels. Alternate forms of heat include, but are not limited to gas-fueled (e.g. propane or natural gas) or electric heat.

APCO: The Air Pollution Control Officer of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (District) or the designee thereof.

Builder: Any individual or company that constructs or sells any residential or commercial property, unit with a wood-burning device installed therein.

Curtailment Period: Any period so declared by the APCO when a negative impact upon public health is anticipated, resulting from PM2.5 levels forecast to exceed 35 micrograms/m^3. Members of the public can verify status of a curtailment period through the following methods:
- Listen to local TV or Radio News;
- Call 1-800-HELP-AIR; or
- Check www.sparetheair.org.

The APCO may use any or all of the following methods to provide public information about a curtailment period:
- Media outlets of general circulation in the Bay Area including, but not limited to, newspapers, radio or television stations;
- Recorded telephone messages on District informational phone numbers;
- Emails to recipients of the District “Spare the Air” list server;
- Messages posted on the District website, www.sparetheair.org; or
- Other means of communication as appropriate.

Electric-powered Heating Device: Any device that produces heat through use of an element utilizing resistance from alternating current or other means of electrical space heating, including, but not limited to, electric fireplaces, heat pumps, or wall heaters.

EPA: United States Environmental Protection Agency.

EPA Certified: Any wood-burning heater that meets the standards set forth in Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 60, Subpart A, in effect at the time of installation and is certified and labeled pursuant to those regulations. An EPA certified wood heater may be freestanding, built-in, or an insert within a fireplace.

Fireplace: Any installed masonry or factory-built wood-burning device designed to operate with an air-to-fuel ratio greater than or equal to 35-to-1, a burn rate over 11 pounds per hour, or a weight over 1760 pounds.

Garbage: Any solid, semisolid, or liquid waste generated from residential, commercial, and industrial sources, including trash, refuse, rubbish, industrial wastes, asphaltic products, manure, vegetable or animal solid or semisolid wastes, and other discarded solid or semisolid wastes.

Gas-fueled Heating Device: Any device that utilizes natural gas or propane as a fuel source exclusively supplied by a natural gas service utility, including, but not limited to, gas-fueled fireplaces, gas-fueled room heaters, or gas-fueled inserts, or gas-fueled log sets.

Insert: A wood or gas-fueled heater designed to be installed in an existing masonry or factory-built fireplace.
6-3-208 **Low Mass Fireplace**: Any fireplace and attached chimney, as identified in American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) E 2558-07, "Determining Particulate Matter Emissions from Fires in Low Mass Wood-burning Fireplaces", that can be weighed (including the weight of the test fuel) on a platform scale.

6-3-209 **Masonry Heater**: Any site-built or site-assembled, solid-fueled heating device constructed mainly of masonry materials in which the heat from intermittent fires burned rapidly in its firebox is stored in its structural mass for slow release to the site. Such solid-fueled heating devices must meet the design and construction specifications set forth in ASTM E 1602-03, "Guide for Construction of Solid Fuel-Burning Masonry Heaters.”

6-3-211 **Mandatory Burn Ban**: Any period during which the air quality is forecast by the District to be unhealthy due to ambient levels of particulate and burning wood or any solid fuels is illegal in the Bay Area. A Mandatory Burn Ban is announced through a Winter Spare the Air Alert.

6-3-212 **Manufacturer**: Any person who constructs or imports a wood-burning fireplace or wood-burning heater.

6-3-213 **New Building Construction**: Any single or multi-family housing unit, for which construction began on or after November 1 2016. Construction is deemed to occur when the foundation for the structure is installed.

6-3-214 **Pellet-fueled Device Wood Heater**: Any solid-fueled A wood-burning device which is operated on pellet-fuel and is either U.S. EPA Phase II certified or exempted under U.S. EPA requirements set forth in Title 40 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR), Part 60, Subpart AAA. Pellet fuel may be composed of compressed wood, corn or other biomass.

6-3-215 **Permanently Installed**: A device that is fixed to the structure of a dwelling or unit and is not readily movable.

6-3-216 **Particulate Matter (PM)**: Any material that is emitted as liquid or solid particles, or as gaseous material that becomes liquid or solid particles at the testing temperatures specified in the source test method, excluding combined water.

6-3-217 **PM<sub>2.5</sub>**: PM<sub>2.5</sub> has an aerodynamic diameter equal to or less than 2.5 microns.

6-3-218 **Real Property**: The land and anything affixed to the land, such as a building or structures.

6-3-219 **Remodel**: A change to the appearance and/or functional utility of a fireplace or chimney that requires a building permit.

6-3-220 **Retailer**: Any person engaged in the sale of wood-burning fireplaces, wood-burning heaters, or outdoor wood-burning devices.

6-3-2121 **Ringelmann Chart**: A numerical ranking system whereby graduated shades of gray varying by five equal steps between white and black are visually compared to the density of smoke. The chart, as distributed by the United States Bureau of Mines, provides the graduated shades 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, which are known as Ringelmann No. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, respectively. The system is used in determining whether emissions of smoke are within limits or standards of opacity.

6-3-21322 **Seasoned Wood**: Firewood that has a moisture content of 20 percent or less by weight using the testing method specified in Section 6-3-602.

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6-3-21423 **Solid Fuel:** Any wood, wood-based product, non-gaseous or non-liquid fuel, including but not limited to: manufactured logs, pressed logs, wood or other pellet products. This definition does not include solid fuel intended for cooking food, such as charcoal.

6-3-21524 **Treated Wood:** Wood of any species that has been chemically impregnated, painted, or similarly modified to improve resistance to insects or weathering.

6-3-225 **Uncertified Wood Heater:** A wood heater that is not certified by the U.S. EPA to meet requirements in Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 60, Subpart AAA.

6-3-226 **U.S. EPA Phase II Certified Device:** Any device certified by the U.S. EPA to meet the performance and emission standards set forth in Title 40 CFR, Part 60, Subpart AAA.

6-3-21726 **Visible Emissions:** Emissions which are visually perceived by an observer. Restrictions on visible emissions in District regulations are expressed as numbers on the Ringelmann Chart, as published by the United States Bureau of Mines.

6-3-227 **Winter Spare the Air Alert (WSTA):** An alert by the APCO that notifies the public when a negative impact upon public health is anticipated resulting from PM$_{2.5}$ levels forecast to exceed 35 µg/m$^3$ and that results in a Mandatory Burn Ban. Members of the public can verify status of a burn ban through the following methods:
- Listen to local TV or Radio News;
- Call 1-877-4NO-BURN; or
- Check www.sparetheair.org.

6-3-228 **Winter Spare the Air Season:** The months of November, December, January and February.

6-3-229 **Wood Heater:** An enclosed wood-burning device capable of and intended for space heating such as a wood stove, pellet-fueled wood heater, or wood-burning fireplace insert.

6-3-21830 **Wood-burning Device:** Any wood-burning stove or heater, pellet-fueled device, fireplace, or any indoor permanently installed device used to burn any solid fuel for space-heating or aesthetic purposes. This definition does not include wood-burning devices intended exclusively for cooking food, such as wood-fired ovens or barbecues.

6-3-300 **STANDARDS**

6-3-301 **Mandatory Burn Ban Solid-fuel Burning Curtailment:** Effective November 1, 2008, during the months of November through February, no person shall operate or combust wood or solid-fuel products in any wood-burning device during a curtailment period. The curtailment requirement shall not apply to a gas-fueled heating device or an electric-powered heating device.

6-3-302 **Requirements for Wood Heater Manufacturers and Retailers:** No manufacturer or retailer shall advertise, sell, offer for sale or resale, supply, install or transfer a new or used wood-burning device intended for use within District boundaries unless the device meets or exceeds the requirements of Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 60, Subpart AAA, which are as follows:

302.1 Effective May 15, 2015, any wood heater that is manufactured must be certified to meet the 4.5 g/hr emissions rating specified in 40 C.F.R. § 60.532(a).

302.2 Effective December 31, 2015, any wood heater that is sold at retail must be certified to meet the emissions rating of 4.5 g/hr as specified in 40 C.F.R. § 60.532(a).

302.3 Effective May 15, 2020, any wood heater that is manufactured or sold at retail must...
meet an emissions rating of 2.5 g/hr if crib tested, or 2.0 g/hr if cordwood tested, as specified in 40 C.F.R. § 60.532(b) and (c).

6-3-303 Criteria for Sale, Resale or Installation of Wood-burning Devices: Effective January 1, 2009, no person shall sell, offer for sale or resale, supply, install, or transfer a new or used wood-burning device intended for use within District boundaries unless it is one of the following:
303.1 A U.S. EPA Phase II certified wood-burning device;
303.2 A pellet-fueled device;
303.3 A low-mass fireplace, masonry heater or other wood-burning device of a make and model that meets EPA emission targets and has been approved in writing by the APCO.

This requirement does not apply if a wood-burning device is an installed fixture included in the sale or transfer of any real property. Any gas-fired heating device or electric-powered heating device is allowed under this standard.

Sale, Resale, Transfer or Installation of Wood-Burning Devices: Effective December 1, 2015, no person shall advertise, sell, offer for sale or resale, supply, install or transfer a new or used wood-burning device intended for use within District boundaries unless the device meets or exceeds the requirements of Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 60, Subpart AAA. This requirement does not apply if a wood-burning device is an installed fixture included in the sale or transfer of any real property.

6-3-304 Disclosure Requirements for Real Property: Effective November 1, 2015, any person selling, renting or leasing real property shall provide sale or rental disclosure documents that describe the health hazards of PM$_{2.5}$ from burning wood or any solid fuel as a source of heat. Disclosure documents must disclose PM$_{2.5}$ health hazards in accordance with guidance made available on the District’s website.

6-3-305 Requirements for Rental Properties: Effective November 1, 2018, all real property offered for lease or rent in areas with natural gas service shall have a permanently-installed form of heat that does not burn solid fuel.

6-3-3046 Criteria for Wood-burning Devices in Requirements for New Building Construction: Effective November 1, 2016, for construction permits issued after January 1, 2009, no person or builder shall commence construction of a new building or structure permitted to contain or install a or containing a wood-burning device or install a new wood-burning device in a new building construction. Resulting from a remodel unless the device meets the requirements of Section 6-3-303. Any gas-fired heating device or electric-powered heating device is allowed under this standard.

6-3-307 Requirements for Remodeling a Fireplace or Chimney: Effective November 1, 2016, no person shall remodel a fireplace or chimney unless a gas-fueled, electric, or EPA certified device is installed that meets requirements in Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 60, Subpart AAA. This requirement is triggered by a fireplace or chimney remodel where a total cost exceeds $15,000 and requires a local building permit. The total cost excludes the cost of a building permit.

6-3-308 Visible Emissions Limitation: Effective November 1, 2015, no person shall cause or allow a visible emission from any wood-burning device in any building or structure that exceeds No. 1 on the Ringelmann Chart or 20 percent opacity for a period or periods aggregating more than 3 minutes in any hour six consecutive minutes in any one-hour period. Visible emissions from the startup of a new fire for a period not to exceed twenty consecutive minutes in any consecutive four-hour period are not subject to this provision.

6-3-3059 Prohibition Against Burning Garbage, Non-Seasoned Wood or Certain Materials: No person shall cause or allow any of the following materials to be burned in a wood-burning
device: garbage, treated wood, non-seasoned wood, used or contaminated wood pallets, plastic products, rubber products, waste petroleum products, paints and paint solvents, coal, animal carcasses, glossy or colored paper, salt water driftwood, particle board, and any material not intended by a manufacturer for use as a fuel in a wood-burning device.

6-3-30610 Requirements for Sale of Wood: No person shall sell, offer for sale, or supply any wood (not to include manufactured logs) intended for use in a wood-burning device that does not meet one of the following requirements:
30610.1 Have a moisture content of 20 percent or less by weight, or
30610.2 For moisture content of greater than 20 percent by weight, be identified as unseasoned wood and include instructions on how to dry out the wood, as required in Section 6-3-4043.3, before combustion.

6-3-400 ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

6-3-401 Verification of Violation: The APCO has sole authority over enforcing requirements of this rule and will independently verify any violation before issuing a Notice of Violation or taking other enforcement action.

6-3-4021 Device Sale or Installation, Public Awareness Information: Effective January 1, 2009, Any person or builder offering for sale, selling or installing a new or used wood-burning device subject to Sections 6-3-302 and 6-3-303 shall provide public awareness information to each purchaser of a wood-burning device in the form of pamphlets, brochures, or fact sheets addressing proper installation, operation, and maintenance of the wood-burning device and the health effects of wood smoke. The information on health effects of wood smoke shall include the following statement:

"Wood smoke contains harmful particulate matter (PM) which is associated with numerous negative health effects."

6-3-4032 Device Manufacturer’s Certification or Proof of Equivalency: The manufacturer and seller retailer of any wood-burning device shall provide documentation to any purchaser that the device is U.S. EPA Phase-II certified or that the device meets the equivalent U.S. EPA Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 60, Subpart AAA, Phase-II emission limits.

6-3-4043 Labeling for Solid Fuel or Wood Sale: Any person offering for sale, selling or providing solid fuel or wood intended for use in a wood-burning device within District boundaries shall:
4043.1 Attach a label to each package of solid fuel or wood sold that states the following:

"Use of this and other solid fuels may be restricted at times by law. Please check 1-877-4-NO-BURN [Toll-Free Number] or [Web Address] http://www.8774noburn.org/ before burning."

The effective date of this subsection is one year following the date the APCO makes public the Toll-Free telephone number and Web Address specified in this subsection.

4043.2 Effective January 1, 2009, if wood is seasoned (not to include manufactured logs), then the label must also state the following:

"This wood meets air quality regulations for moisture content to be less than 20 % (percent) by weight for cleaner burning."

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404.3 Effective January 1, 2009: If wood is not seasoned (not to include manufactured logs), then the label must state the following:

"This wood does NOT meet air quality regulations for moisture content and must be properly dried before burning."

In addition to the disclosure listed above, any person offering for sale or selling wood that is not seasoned for use in a wood-burning device shall also provide written instructions on how to properly dry the wood to achieve a 20% (percent) by weight moisture content.

6-3-404 Registration of EPA Certified Wood Heaters: Effective November 1, 2016, any person seeking to claim the exemption provided in Section 6-3-110 must have previously registered their EPA certified wood heater in the District’s registration program and must maintain documentation that the device is operated according to manufacturer’s specifications. The following wood heaters are eligible to be registered:

404.1 Wood heaters that are EPA Certified to meet performance and emission standard of 7.5 g/hr. or less.

404.2 A pellet-fueled wood heater exempt from EPA certification requirements pursuant to the requirements in Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 60, Subpart AAA at time of purchase or installation.

6-3-405 Registration Renewal: Registration pursuant to Section 6-3-404 shall be for a term of 5 years. Application for renewal of registration must be received by the District prior to expiration of the 5-year term.

6-3-500 MONITORING AND RECORDS

6-3-501 Burden of Proof: The burden of proof of eligibility for exemption pursuant to Section 6-3-110, 111, and 112 is on the claimant. Any person claiming such an exemption shall maintain adequate documentation or records explaining why demonstrating that the registered device is the only sole source of heat and whether the situation is temporary or permanent. Such records will must be furnished provided to the APCO upon request. Qualification for the exemption provided in Section 6-3-110 is subject to inspection and verification.

6-3-502 Proof of Certification or Equivalency: Upon request of the APCO, a manufacturer shall demonstrate that each wood-burning device subject to the requirements of Section 6-3-3032 meets the standards set forth in this regulation.

6-3-600 MANUAL OF PROCEDURES

6-3-601 Determination of Visible Emissions: Ringelmann standard shall be determined by Manual of Procedures-Volume 1 – Enforcement Procedures, Evaluation of Visible Emissions or any other EPA method that has been approved by APCO.


6-3-603 Determination of EPA Certification or Equivalency: EPA certification or demonstration of equivalence for wood burning-devices shall be performed in accordance with EPA Guidance Document for Residential Wood Combustion, Method 28, 5G, 5H, or other EPA approved methodology.