COMPLIANCE ADVISORY

Amendments to Rule 61.1
Receiving and Storing VOCs at Bulk Plants
and Bulk Terminals

On January 10, 1995, the Air Pollution Control District adopted amendments to Rule 61.1, an existing rule which regulates emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) from storage tanks at bulk plants and bulk terminals.

The amendments correct deficiencies identified by the Environmental Protection Agency to meet federal Clean Air Act requirements and accomplish the following:

Exemptions
Specify those stationary storage tanks which are exempt from permit requirements under Rule 11(e).

Add product changes under the exemption for stationary floating roof tanks which are being completely drained, degassed or refilled. This exemption requires prior authorization from the Air Pollution Control Officer and does not apply between May 1 and Oct. 31.

Recordkeeping requirements
Clarify recordkeeping requirements.

Test methods
Add American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard Test Method D5191-93a, as approved by EPA, for measuring total vapor pressure of stored VOCs.

Add a District calculation method and ASTM Standard Test Method D2879-86 for measurement of true vapor pressure of stored VOCs.

Add EPA test methods for determining the control efficiency of vapor control systems.

A copy of Rule 61.1 has been enclosed for permit holders subject to the rule. If you did not receive a copy, call the District at (619) 694-3307.

For more information, call the District’s Compliance Division at (619) 694-3340.