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Notice of Amendments to Rule 50 Visible Emissions

On August 13, 1997, the Air Pollution Control District adopted amendments to Rule 50, an existing rule that regulates visible emissions. A number of changes were made to match exemptions or emission standards contained in state law.

The amended rule does the following:

Exemptions

Exempts obscurants used for training military personnel and testing military equipment from the provisions of Rule 50.

Exempts equipment used exclusively for the purpose of flash-over fire fighting training from the provisions of Rule 50.

Exempts vessels using boilers during emergency shutdowns for safety reasons, safety and operational tests required by government agencies, and when maneuvering to avoid hazards from the provisions of Rule 50.

Definitions

Adds new definitions for asphalt paving equipment, obscurants, pavement rehabilitation equipment, and rubber modified spray applied asphalt.

Amends the definition for single source.

Emission Limits

Visible emissions from any diesel pile driving hammer shall not exceed 20% opacity for more than four minutes during the driving of a single pile.

Visible emissions from any diesel pile driving hammer using kerosene fuel, smoke suppressing fuel additives, and synthetic lubricating oil shall not exceed 40% opacity for more than four minutes during the driving of a single pile.

Visible emissions from certain asphalt paving and pavement rehabilitation equipment shall not exceed 40% opacity for more than three minutes during any period of 60 consecutive minutes. This provision does not apply to portable rubber modified spray applied asphalt cement equipment.

Visible emissions from shipboard fire fighting training units shall not exceed 40% opacity for more than three minutes during any period of 60 consecutive minutes.

For more information, please call the District's Compliance Division at (619) 694-3340. If you would like a copy of the amended rule, please call (619) 694-3307 to request a copy.



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Notice of Revision to Standard Permit Language Notice of Revision to Permit Format

The District is revising some of the standard language on your Permit(s) to Operate to include a list of applicable rules. This change is being made to inform the permit holder that specific District rules may apply to your operation or equipment. A list of the general rules which apply to all permits has already been added. Rules 2-Definitions, 10-Permits Required, 40-Permit Fees, 50-Visible Emissions, 51-Nuisance and 67.17-Storage of Materials Containing Volatile Organic Compounds have been added between the equipment description and permit conditions. Additionally, a new statement has been inserted between the equipment description and permit conditions to remind the permit holder they must comply with the listed permit conditions and all applicable District rules.

In the next year the list of general rules will continue to be updated in order to include the rules that apply specifically to each permit unit. In addition, the look of the permit has been improved to increase readability.

For more information regarding the new wording, please contact Jerry Carrier, Compliance Division at (619) 495-5342. If you have comments regarding the new look of the permit, please contact Pat Hackley at (619) 694-2444.

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