COMPLIANCE ADVISORY

Notice of Proposed and Projected Changes to Tables I, II, and III of Rule 1200 and Rule 1210

The Air Pollution Control District is proposing revisions to Tables I, II, and III of Rule 1200 and Rule 1210. In addition, the District is projecting that a further revision to Table I will be made in the near future. These tables list Toxic Air Contaminants with potential cancer (Table I), chronic non-cancer (Table II), and acute non-cancer (Table III) health impacts that must be evaluated under these rules. Rule 1200 applies to new, relocated, or modified emission units which may increase emissions of one or more toxic air contaminants and for which an Authority to Construct or Permit to Operate is required, or for which a Notice of Intention or Application for Certification has been accepted by the California Energy Commission. Rule 1210 applies to each stationary source required to prepare a public health risk assessment pursuant to Section 44360 of the Health and Safety Code.

The proposed changes are being separately noticed for public comment. A copy of the notice can be obtained by calling (858) 650-4700 or visiting the District’s web site at http://sdapcd.org, under Permits & Forms, Applications, Permit Action Notices. The projected change will also be publicly noticed at an appropriate time.

The District intends to make the proposed changes effective immediately after the close of the 30-day public comment period, after considering any comments received.

The nature, timing, and effect of the proposed and projected changes are further described below:

What are the proposed changes?

Twelve dioxin-like Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) are being added to Tables I and II. The California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) adopted health risk effect values for these chemical compounds on August 29, 2003. PCB containing sources have not been reported in San Diego County. According to the California Air Resources Board (ARB), among the potential sources of PCB are landfills containing PCB waste materials, destruction of articles containing PCB in municipal and industrial waste disposal burners, and gradual wear and weathering of PCB containing products. Additionally, Tables I, II, and III are being updated to correct Chemical Abstract Service (CAS) numbers, chemical compound names, and clarify applicability for grouped substances.
When are the proposed changes effective?  

Unless reconsidered by the District, these table changes will be effective immediately after the close of the public comment period that ends on April 30, 2004.

What is the projected change?  

The District anticipates that the Scientific Review Panel of OEHHA will endorse a health effects value for estimating cancer risk associated with exposure to naphthalene at their May 19, 2004, meeting and that OEHHA will subsequently formally adopt the health risk effects value. After OEHHA adopts this cancer risk value for naphthalene, naphthalene will be added to Table I of Rules 1200 and 1210. Naphthalene is a constituent of various fuels and other hydrocarbon mixtures, and is also emitted by various combustion processes.

When will the projected change be effective?  

The District anticipates noticing this projected change for public comment shortly following the anticipated OEHHA adoption of the health effects value. Unless reconsidered by the District, the associated table changes will be effective immediately after the close of that public comment period. The District estimates that the effective date will be sometime after August 1, 2004, depending on the action taken by OEHHA.

What do these changes mean?  

If applicable, cancer and chronic non-cancer health risk will be considered for the new chemical compounds added to Tables I and II, respectively, in evaluation of new, relocated, or modified sources emitting toxic air contaminants pursuant to Rule 1200. In addition, health effects for the new compounds also will be evaluated in calculating health risk for the purpose of determining public notification and risk reduction requirements pursuant to Rule 1210.

Why are these changes necessary?  

Rules 1200 and 1210 require the use of health effects values adopted by OEHHA.

Copies of the proposed revised tables can be obtained by calling (858) 650-4700 or visiting the District's web site at http://sdapcd.org, under Basic Information, Notices, Advisories.

Questions or comments regarding this notice may be directed to the District’s Air Toxics section at (858) 650-4624.

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