RULE 69.2.1 SMALL BOILERS, PROCESS HEATERS, AND STEAM GENERATORS (Adopted March 25, 2009; Effective March 25, 2010)

(a) APPLICABILITY

Except as otherwise provided in Section (b), this rule shall apply to any person who manufactures, sells, offers for sale or distributes for use within San Diego County, or installs within San Diego County a new unit (boiler, process heater, or steam generator) with a heat input rating from 600,000 Btu per hour to 2 million Btu per hour.

(b) EXEMPTIONS

(1) The provisions of this rule shall not apply to the following:

   (i) Any waste heat recovery boilers that are used to recover heat from the exhaust of gas turbines, internal combustion engines, or other combustion equipment.

   (ii) Furnaces, kilns, and any combustion equipment where the material being heated is in direct contact with the products of combustion.

   (iii) Thermal oxidizers and associated waste heat recovery equipment.

(c) DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this rule, the following definitions shall apply:

   (1) "Boiler" or "Steam Generator" means any combustion equipment fired with gaseous and/or liquid fuel and used to produce steam or to heat water.

   (2) "Btu" means British thermal unit.

   (3) "Furnace" means any enclosed structure in which heat is produced by the combustion of any fuel.

   (4) "Gaseous Fuel" means natural gas or liquefied petroleum gas.

   (5) "Heat Input Rating" means the maximum steady state heat input capacity of a unit, in Btu per hour, as specified by the manufacturer.

   (6) "Kiln" means an oven, furnace, or heated enclosure used for processing a substance by burning, firing, or drying.

   (7) "Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG)" means a gas, consisting primarily of propane, propylene, butane, and butylene in various mixtures, that is stored as a liquid at high pressure.
(8) "Liquid Fuel" means any fuel which is a liquid at standard conditions, including distillate oils.

(9) "New Unit" means a unit installed, manufactured, or sold on or after March 25, 2010.

(10) "Process Heater" means any combustion equipment fired with liquid and/or gaseous fuel and which transfers heat from the combustion gases to water or process streams. Heaters used for swimming pools, spas and/or therapy pools shall be considered process heaters.

(11) "Thermal Oxidizer" means combustion equipment fired with gaseous fuel and used to control emissions of air contaminants from industrial or commercial processes.

(12) "Unit" means any boiler, steam generator, or process heater.

(d) STANDARDS

Except as otherwise provided in Section (b), effective March 25, 2010, no person shall manufacture, distribute, sell, offer for sale, or install within San Diego County any new unit that has:

(1) Emissions of oxides of nitrogen, calculated as nitrogen dioxide at 3% oxygen on a dry basis, that exceed the following levels:

   (i) 30 parts per million by volume when operated on a gaseous fuel as a primary fuel.

   (ii) 40 parts per million by volume when operated on a liquid fuel as a primary fuel.

(2) Emissions of carbon monoxide, calculated at 3% oxygen on a dry basis, that exceed 400 parts per million by volume.

(e) CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

(1) A manufacturer of any unit to be offered for sale within San Diego County shall submit to the Air Pollution Control Officer a statement certifying that each model of boiler, process heater, or steam generator subject to the requirements of Section (d) of this rule complies with the provisions of this rule.

   (i) The statement shall be signed, dated, and attested to the accuracy of all information by a representative of the manufacturer.

   (ii) The statement shall be submitted at least 30 days before the unit model is offered for sale, sold, or installed within San Diego County.
(iii) The statement shall include:

(A) Brand name,

(B) Model number,

(C) Heat input rating as specified on the nameplate, and

(D) Oxides of nitrogen and carbon monoxide emission test results of each model being certified.

(2) A manufacturer shall submit to the Air Pollution Control Officer a new certification statement for any unit model whose design is changed in any manner which may alter oxides of nitrogen or carbon monoxide emissions.

(3) Alternatively, to comply with Subsections (e)(1) or (e)(2), a manufacturer may submit to the Air Pollution Control Officer a certification statement for the unit model as required in the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Rule 1146.2, Section (d).

(f) LABELING

A manufacturer shall display on the shipping carton and the nameplate of every unit to be offered for sale within San Diego County, the model number and certification status of the unit complying with Section (e) of this rule, or alternatively, the most current requirements of the SCAQMD Rule 1146.2.

(g) RECORDKEEPING

A manufacturer shall keep test records for oxides of nitrogen and carbon monoxide emissions and certification records for as long as the unit model is offered for sale or sold within San Diego County, or for three calendar years after date of manufacture, whichever is longer. Such records shall be provided to the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District upon request.

(h) TEST METHODS

To determine compliance with Section (d) of this rule, the manufacturer shall obtain measurements of oxides of nitrogen and carbon monoxide contents conducted by an independent testing laboratory in accordance with:

(1) San Diego County Air Pollution Control District Test Method 100 as approved by the federal Environmental Protection Agency, or

(2) SCAQMD Test Method 100.1 as approved by the federal Environmental Protection Agency.