



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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NOTICE OF DECISION

To: Office of the Secretary of the
California Natural Resources Agency
General Counsel's Office
1416 9th Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: South Coast Air Quality Management District
Planning, Rule Development
and Area Sources
21865 Copley Drive
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Subject: Filing of Notice of Decision in compliance with Public Resources Code Section 21080.5(d)(2)(E), CEQA Guidelines Section 15252(b), and South Coast AQMD Rule 110(f)

Project Title: Final Environmental Assessment (EA) for Proposed Rule 1407.1 – Control of Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions From Chromium Alloy Melting Operations

Lead Agency: South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD)

SCH Number: 2020110222

Date Certified: January 8, 2021

South Coast AQMD Number: 11122020KN

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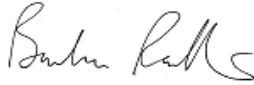
Project Location: Rule 1407.1 applies to facilities located in South Coast AQMD jurisdiction which conduct chromium alloy melting, including smelters (primary and secondary), foundries, die-casters, mills, and other establishments conducting miscellaneous melting processes. The South Coast AQMD has jurisdiction over an area of approximately 10,743 square miles, consisting of the four county South Coast Air Basin (all of Orange County and the non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino counties), and the Riverside County portion of the Salton Sea Air Basin and the non-Palo Verde, Riverside County portion of the Mojave Desert Air Basin.

Project Description: Rule 1407.1 was adopted to reduce hexavalent chromium, arsenic, cadmium, and nickel emissions from melting operations of metals containing greater than 0.5 percent chromium, including, but not limited to, alloy steel, chromium non-ferrous alloys, stainless steel, and superalloys. Chromium alloy melting operations include smelting, die-casting, and other miscellaneous processes where metals are processed in molten form. Rule 1407.1 contains collection efficiency requirements and hexavalent chromium mass emission limits to control point source emissions; housekeeping requirements and building enclosure provisions to limit fugitive emissions; and source testing, material testing, parameter monitoring, and recordkeeping requirements.

This is to advise that the South Coast AQMD has certified the Final EA and approved the above described project, and has made the following determinations:

1. The requirements for a Negative Declaration have been triggered pursuant to South Coast AQMD’s Certified Regulatory Program (Public Resources Code Section 21080.5 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15251(l); codified in South Coast AQMD Rule 110) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15070, and that a Final EA, a substitute document allowed pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15252 and South Coast AQMD’s certified regulatory program, was prepared.
2. The Final EA concluded that the project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.
3. Because the Final EA concluded that the project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment, mitigation measures were not made a condition of the approval of this project. Thus, a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081.6 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097, was not required or adopted for this project.
4. Because the Final EA concluded that the project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment, findings pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15091 and a Statement of Overriding Considerations pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15093 were also not required or adopted for this project.

The Final EA, supporting documentation, and record of project approval may also be examined at: South Coast AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

<p>_____</p> <p>Date Received for Filing</p>	<p>Signature:</p>	<p></p> <p>_____ Barbara Radlein Program Supervisor, CEQA Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources</p>
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