VENTURA COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD HEARING
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO RULE 74.18, MOTOR VEHICLE AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT COATING OPERATIONS

The Ventura County Air Pollution Control Board will meet to consider proposed amendments to Rule 74.18. Staff is proposing to further reduce reactive organic compound (ROC) emissions from vehicle coating operations. This rule development is based on the Suggested Control Measure (SCM) for Automotive Coatings adopted by the California Air Resources Board (ARB) on October 20, 2005.

Previously, staff held a public consultation meeting on January 23, 2008 to discuss the SCM and to hear strategies from the paint manufacturers on the best way to implement the new color coat requirements. On April 29, 2008, a public workshop was held to discuss the proposed changes to the rule language. Based on workshop comments, staff is proposing a limited-use exemption to the proposed 25 grams/liter ROC content standard for substrate surface preparation cleaners. A summary of the most significant revisions to the workshop draft are listed on the back of this notice. The proposed rule amendments were recommended for approval by the Ventura County APCD Advisory Committee on September 23, 2008. The complete proposed draft rule and staff report are available on the district’s website (http://www.vcapcd.org/rules_division). The meeting will be held at the following time and location:

November 11, 2008
11:00 a.m.
Ventura County Air Pollution Control Board
Board of Supervisors Meeting Room
800 South Victoria Avenue
Ventura, CA

The public is invited to attend this hearing and provide comments to the Board. Contact Stan Cowen at (805) 645-1408, or email stan@vcapcd.org if you have any questions or comments. Written comments may also be mailed to VCAPCD, 669 County Square Dr., Ventura, CA 93003 or faxed to (805) 645-1444.
SUMMARY OF MOST SIGNIFICANT REVISIONS TO WORKSHOP DRAFT

1. **Limited-Use Exemption from New 25 g/l ROC Standard for Surface Preparation Cleaners:** This proposed exemption (Section C.12) provides operator flexibility yet retains the increased enforceability gained by the new Prohibition of Possession (Section B.10). The exemption allowance is proposed at 130 pounds of ROC per year to allow the operator the flexibility to use either a limited amount of aerosol cleaner or bulk cleaner for surface preparation. To qualify for this new exemption, an operator must have an approved compliance plan that lists all the non-complying cleaners that may be used. Furthermore, this compliance plan must describe the method of labels or stickers used to designate a solvent container as a limited-use exempt surface preparation cleaner.

2. **Labeling Requirements (Section B.13)** These labeling requirements were modified to more closely resemble the SCM requirements and other district rules. Also, alternative labeling information may be provided by the manufacturer as long as compliance with coating ROC limit can be determined.

3. **New Exemption for non-aerosol glass cleaner (Section C.9):** A new exemption is being proposed for non-aerosol glass cleaner.

4. **Six Month Sell-Through Provision for Color Coats (Section C.11):** Similar in concept to South Coast AQMD Rule 1151, an operator may purchase and use color coats manufactured prior to January 1, 2009 until July 1, 2009.

5. **Tert-Butyl Acetate as an Exempt Organic Compound (Section G.15):** For the purpose of this rule, t-butyl acetate will be considered to be an exempt organic compound.