

VENTURA COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
September 23, 2008  
MINUTES

Vice Chairman Vander Pluym convened the meeting at approximately 7:40 p.m.

I. Director's Report

Mike Villegas, APCO, stated that amendments to Rules 230, Notice to Comply; 72, New Source Performance Standards; and 73, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants were adopted by the Board on September 9, 2008.

The District's new public outreach film "Air – the search for one clean breath" will have its Ventura County premiere tomorrow night in Ojai.

District staff is working with representatives of the Port of Hueneme to determine if shorepower is feasible at the port and if Proposition 1B funds can be used to defray some of the infrastructure costs.

District staff is also working with the Farm Bureau, Farm Advisor, Agricultural Commissioner, and local growers in an attempt to test low emission fumigant application methods.

II. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Vander Pluym called the meeting to order at approximately 7:50 p.m.

III. Roll Call

Present

Scott Blough

Steven Kane

Sara Head

Michael Moore

Duane Vander Pluym

Keith Moore

Ryan Kinsella

Marilyn Miravete-Smith

Greg Patterson

Absent

Stephen Garfield (excused)

Hugh McTernan (excused)

Michael Kuhn

Ron Peterson (excused)

Stan Greene

Aaron Hanson

Karl Krause (excused)

Gayle Washburn (excused)

Staff

Mike Villegas

Stan Cowen

Public

Karen Hewitt

Finishmaster

Levi Johnson

BFD

Lynn Kimotsuki

Dupont

Jim Estomo

Supervisor Flynn's Office

IV. Minutes

The minutes of the June 24, 2008, meeting were approved as drafted.

V. Committee Comment

There was no committee comment.

VI. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

VII. New Business

Proposed Amendments to Rule 74.18, Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Coating Operations

Stan Cowen, of APCD staff, gave an overview of the proposed amendments. The main points were as follows:

- New more stringent reactive organic compound (ROC) content limits for coatings are being proposed.
- A more stringent ROC content limit (25 grams/liter) for solvent cleaners is being proposed. A new limited use exemption for surface preparation is proposed for inclusion to allow for the use higher ROC content solvents as the low ROC cleaners are not effective in all applications.
- A new prohibition of possession of illegal coatings and solvents is proposed.
- The rule would move from daily recordkeeping to monthly recordkeeping.
- The amendments would result in estimated emission reductions of 73 tons per year.
- The California Air Resources Board estimates the cost-effectiveness to be approximately \$1.40 per pound of ROC reduced.

Committee member Michael Moore asked if the limited use exemption (130 lb/yr) would provide for an adequate amount of the higher ROC solvent for a shop. Mr. Cowen replied that this amount was based on research done by the Santa Barbara County APCD.

Michael Moore asked about the quality of the paint finish obtained with the new low ROC coatings. Lynn Kimotsuki, representing Dupont, stated their coatings would come with 3-year, 5-year, or lifetime warranties if the shop painters have been trained on the new coatings.

Committee member Keith Moore asked what the total emissions from automotive coatings in the County were. Mr. Cowen replied approximately 170 tons per year.

Committee member Scott Blough asked if the drying time was increased with the new low ROC coatings. An industry representative replied yes, but it was possible to coat over sooner with the waterborne coatings.

Industry representatives stated with the new low ROC coatings airbrush type spray guns would not work well. The mobile coating operations are switching to high volume low pressure spray guns. Mr. Cowen stated staff was not proposing to allow these high volume low pressure spray guns for mobile coaters at this time because of concerns these coaters are doing more than just touch-up work. Staff may include this in a future rule amendment, after we meet with mobile coating operators.

It was moved (Head), and seconded (Miravete-Smith), to recommend to the Board adoption of the proposed revisions to Rule 74.18. The motion was approved by a vote of seven to two.

Committee member Michael Moore stated that he voted no, as he was concerned the proposed rule banned the use of lacquer coatings for custom autos.

#### VIII. Old Business

Consider an issue regarding a Committee member's actions pursuant to Article 1, Section 2.E, of the Bylaws.

The Committee briefly discussed their thoughts on the matter. The item was continued to the next meeting due to a lack of a quorum.

#### IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:10 p.m.

Prepared by:

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