State of California

AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Resolution 77-6

February 15, 1977

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Section 41500 requires the Board to review the rules and regulations of the districts to determine whether such rules and regulations assure that reasonable provision is made to achieve and maintain the state ambient air quality standards;

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Section 41504 provides that if, after a public hearing, the State Board finds that the rules and regulations of a district will not likely achieve and maintain the State ambient air quality standards, the State Board may establish such rules and regulations as it deems necessary to enable the district to achieve and maintain such ambient air quality standards;

WHEREAS, the South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 431 regulates the sulfur content of fuels burned in the South Coast Air Basin;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that Rule 431 (Sulfur Content of Fuels) will not likely achieve and maintain the state ambient air quality standard for sulfates or the State visibility standard and that further amendments to Rule 431 are necessary for the District to achieve and maintain such ambient air quality standards;

WHEREAS, the Board has held a public hearing in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 41502;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Air Resources Board hereby amends Rule 431 (Sulfur Content of Fuels) of the South Coast Air Quality Management District to read in its entirety as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto.

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Proposed Amendment to Rule 431 (Sulfur Content of Fuels)

of the South Coast Air Quality Management District

Amend Rule 431 (Sulfur Content of Fuels) of the SCAQMD by designating the existing text as subsection (a) and by adding the following subsection (b).

(b) Steam Generators at Electric Power Plants

1. No person shall burn liquid fuel with a sulfur content of more than 0.25 percent by weight in a steam generator at an electric power plant on or after March 1, 1977 except that:

   A. Existing supplies of fuel with a sulfur content of not more than 0.5 percent by weight owned either in storage or in transit by such person on the effective date of this subsection (b) may be utilized until such supply is exhausted.

   B. From March 1, 1977 to July 1, 1978, if sufficient amounts of fuel with a sulfur content of not more than 0.25 percent by weight are not available on a regularly scheduled future need basis, fuel with a sulfur content of not more than 0.5 percent by weight may be substituted for only such portion of a person's requirements for which fuel with a sulfur content of not more than 0.25 percent by weight is not available.

   C. Noncomplying fuel may be burned if the concentration of sulfur dioxide in stack gases is no more than would be present if liquid fuel with a sulfur content of not more than 0.25 percent were burned.

2. Persons burning liquid fuels in steam generators at electric power plants shall submit to the air pollution control officer, within thirty calendar days from the beginning of each month, a tabulation of the amount of liquid fuel burned at each of such person's power plants on each day of the preceding month, also listing, for each day, the average sulfur content of the fuel burned each day. If noncomplying fuel was burned, a statement of the efforts made to obtain liquid fuel with a sulfur content of not more than 0.25 percent shall be submitted under penalty of perjury.