State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

Resolution 89-54

May 12, 1989

Agenda Item No.: 89-9-2

WHEREAS, the Air Resources Board ("Board") and the federal Environmental Protection Agency have established health-based ambient air quality standards for ozone, and these standards are frequently exceeded in several of the State's air basins;

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Sections 39003, 39500, 39602, and 41500 authorize the Board to coordinate, encourage, and review efforts to achieve and maintain the state and national ambient air quality standards;

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Sections 39600 and 39605 authorize the Board to act as necessary to execute the powers and duties granted to and imposed upon the Board and to assist the local air pollution control and air quality management districts;

WHEREAS, The statewide Technical Review Group, consisting of staff representatives of EPA, the Board, and local Air Pollution Control Districts, has developed and approved a proposed Suggested Control Measure for control of emissions of volatile organic compounds from the application of architectural coatings (the "Suggested Control Measure") and has forwarded the Suggested Control Measure to the Board for consideration;

WHEREAS, The Technical Review Group has developed and approved the Suggested Control Measure as a revision to a 1985 model rule for architectural coatings, which is the basis for most of the architectural coatings rules of air pollution control districts and air quality management districts in the state;

WHEREAS, adoption of changes to the 1985 model rule embodied in the Suggested Control Measure will improve the clarity and enforceability of architectural coatings rules, and will provide a basis for statewide uniformity in architectural coatings rules;

WHEREAS, implementation of new standards in the Suggested Control Measure will reduce the emissions of volatile organic compounds from the application of architectural coatings;

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act and Board regulations require that no project having significant adverse environmental impacts be adopted as proposed if feasible alternatives or mitigation measures are available;

WHEREAS, the Board has held a duly noticed public meeting to consider approval of the Technical Review Group's Suggested Control Measure for architectural coatings and has heard and considered the comments presented by representatives of the Board, Technical Review Group, districts, affected industries, and other interested persons and agencies;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that:

The application of architectural coatings in the state emits more than 150 tons per day of volatile organic compounds to the atmosphere, and the volume of these emissions is growing;

The emissions of volatile organic compounds from the application of architectural coatings contribute to the exceedance in many areas of the state of both state and national ambient air quality standards for ozone;

The control and reduction of emissions of volatile organic compounds is necessary to the attainment and maintenance of the state and national ambient air quality standards for ozone;

To effectively control the emission of volatile organic compounds from architectural coatings applied at widely dispersed locations, and to minimize the regulatory burden on the architectural coatings industry, architectural coatings standards must be uniform among districts which need archictectural coatings rules;

The technology to control emissions from architectural coatings to the extent provided in the Suggested Control Measure is reasonably available and cost-effective; and

Based on the comments received, it is appropriate to modify the Suggested Control Measure as approved by the TRG, as reflected in Attachment A.

No significant adverse environmental impacts associated with the Suggested Control Measure have been identified and no potentially significant adverse environmental effects are likely to result from the adoption and implementation of the proposed Suggested Control Measure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the Suggested Control Measure for control of emissions of volatile organic compounds from the application of architectural coatings as set forth in Attachment A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Officer is directed to return the Suggested Control Measure as modified to the TRG for its approval, and following TRG approval to forward the Suggested Control Measure to the air pollution control districts and air quality management districts for consideration for adoption in regulatory form.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board strongly encourages each air pollution control and air quality management district to adopt the Suggested Control Measure as approved, without modification, so that statewide uniformity in architectural coatings standards can be achieved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Officer is directed to provide assistance to any district requesting assistance in adopting, interpreting, or implementing the Suggested Control Measure.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution 89-54, as adopted by the Air Resources Board.

Patricia Hutchens for
Cary Allison, Board Secretary

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Response to Significant Environmental Issues

Item: Public Hearing to Consider the Adoption of a Regulatory Amendment Identifying Methylene Chloride as a Toxic Air Contaminant

Agenda Item No.: 89-13-3

Public Hearing Date: July 13, 1989

Issuing Authority: Air Resources Board

Comment: No comments were received identifying any significant environmental issues pertaining to this item. The staff report identified no adverse environmental effects.

Response: N/A

Certified: Judith M. Lowenbury
Board Secretary

Date: 4/26/90

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