



# Air Resources Board



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October 23, 2015

Mr. Jared Blumenfeld  
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Dear Mr. Blumenfeld:

The Air Resources Board (ARB) is submitting to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) the *Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (District) 2015 8-Hour Reasonably Available Control Technology - State Implementation Plan Analysis and Federal Negative Declarations for Twenty Control Technique Source Categories (2015 RACT SIP)* as a revision to the California State Implementation Plan (SIP).

The District recently adopted the 2015 RACT SIP for the 2008 0.075 parts per million 8-hour ozone national ambient air quality standard (standard). The information contained in the 2015 RACT SIP, along with information contained in prior submittals from 2006 and 2014, demonstrates that the District appropriately reviewed their rules in the context of RACT and comprises an analysis sufficient to satisfy the RACT SIP requirements.

RACT SIP analyses are required for specific stationary sources for which U.S. EPA has published Control Technique Guidelines (CTG) and for major non-CTG stationary sources. For CTG source categories not represented within this ozone nonattainment area, U.S. EPA requires submittal of Federal Negative Declarations certifying that those sources are not present within the nonattainment area. Following U.S. EPA requirements, the District reviewed its existing rules to determine if its rules continue to meet RACT. The evaluation process highlighted several rules that must be updated to current RACT standards. The District is in the process of amending and updating these rules, and plans to update and amend the rules to meet RACT by the end of 2016.

*The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.*

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This SIP submittal consists of the following enclosures:

- I. ARB Executive Order S-15-006 adopting the 2015 RACT SIP as a revision to the California SIP;
- II. The 2015 RACT SIP and supporting documentation; and
- III. One compact disc containing electronic copies of the District's adopted 2015 RACT SIP and supporting documentation. The electronic copy is an exact duplicate of the paper materials provided.

The enclosed submittal includes the complete package received by ARB from the District. In addition to the 2015 RACT SIP, the submittal includes evidence of public notice, certification of public hearing, and evidence of adoption. ARB staff reviewed the submittal for technical adequacy and completeness as indicated on the SIP Completeness Checklist included with the District submittal package.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Kurt Karperos, Deputy Executive Officer at (916) 322-2739 or Ms. Karen Magliano, Chief, Air Quality Planning and Science Division at (916) 322-5350.

Sincerely,



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Executive Officer

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