

## CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN REVISION FOR FEDERAL LEAD STANDARD INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS

The Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) will conduct a public hearing at the time and place noted below to consider the approval of proposed revisions to the California State Implementation Plan (SIP) for submittal to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). The proposed revisions document that California has the resources and programs in place to implement, maintain, and enforce the 2008 revised lead national ambient air quality standard.

DATE: September 22, 2011

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: California Environmental Protection Agency  
Air Resources Board  
Byron Sher Auditorium  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

This item may be considered at a one-day meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m., September 22, 2011. This item is scheduled to be heard on the Board's Consent Calendar. All items on the Consent Calendar will be voted on by the Board immediately after the start of the public meeting. Any item may be removed from the Consent Calendar by a Board member or at the request of a Board member or if someone in the audience would like to speak on that item.

#### **BACKGROUND**

On October 15, 2008, U.S. EPA adopted a revised national ambient air quality standard for lead. The lead standard was lowered 90 percent, from 1.5 micrograms per cubic meter ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) to 0.15  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . When U.S. EPA adopts a new standard or, as in the case of lead, revises an existing standard, one of the first steps in the planning process is a determination of whether the state has sufficient resources, programs, and authority to implement the standard. The federal Clean Air Act refers to these collectively, as the necessary "infrastructure." The formal documentation is set forth in an Infrastructure SIP and constitutes a revision to California's overall SIP.

Specific Infrastructure SIP requirements are specified in Clean Air Act Section 110. Examples of infrastructure include programs to monitor air quality and authority to adopt, implement, and enforce regulations. The overarching framework or infrastructure for California's air quality programs is well established and has been documented in

previous Infrastructure SIP submittals. The proposed Infrastructure SIP for lead is specific to the 2008 federal lead standard and is due to U.S. EPA October 15, 2011.

### **PROPOSED ACTION**

ARB staff prepared a Staff Report entitled, "Proposed State Implementation Plan Revision for Federal Lead Standard Infrastructure Requirements" released August 23, 2011. The Staff Report documents State and district resources, programs, and authority to implement the basic requirements needed to ensure implementation, maintenance, and enforcement of the 2008 federal lead standard. Among the items the Infrastructure SIP addresses are the ability to monitor and report emissions and air quality data, the authority to adopt and enforce regulations and programs designed to protect public health, and provisions to provide opportunity for input and review by affected entities and the public. These items provide the "infrastructure" needed to achieve and maintain healthful air quality.

Most of these Infrastructure SIP elements were addressed in California's comprehensive Infrastructure SIP, submitted in response to the federal Clean Air Act of 1970 and approved by U.S. EPA in 1979 (40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 52.220). This submittal for the 2008 federal lead standard continues to affirm ARB's commitment to comply with the infrastructure requirements. In addition, the lead Infrastructure SIP responds to new elements and commitments required by the 2008 federal lead standard. Changes required for the 2008 lead standard are limited in scope and include affirming our ability to comply with new monitoring and permitting requirements, as well as committing to comply with any future SIP revisions required under the Clean Air Act.

### **AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS AND CONTACT PERSONS**

Copies of the proposed Lead Infrastructure SIP will be available at ARB's Public Information Office, 1001 I Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, (916) 322-2990 beginning August 23, 2011. The document may also be accessed on ARB's website at:

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/sip.htm>.

Interested members of the public may present comments orally or in writing at the meeting and comments may be submitted by postal mail or by electronic submittal before the meeting. To be considered by the Board, written comments not physically submitted at the meeting must be received **no later than 12:00 noon, September 21, 2011**, and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerk of the Board, Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Electronic submittal: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php>

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**You can now sign up online in advance to speak at the Board meeting** when you submit an electronic board item comment. For more information go to:  
<http://www.arb.ca.gov/board/online-signup.htm>.

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Government Code section 6250 et seq.), your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the public record and can be released to the public upon request. Additionally, this information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and any other search engines.

ARB requests that written and email statements be filed at least 10 days prior to the meeting so that ARB staff and Board members have time to fully consider each comment. Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Ms. Gayle Sweigert, Manager of the Air Quality Analysis Section at (916) 322-6923 or Ms. Marcella Nystrom, Staff Air Pollution Specialist at (916) 323-8543.

**SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION REQUEST**

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- An interpreter to be available at the hearing;
- Documents made available in an alternate format (i.e., Braille, large print, etc.) or another language;
- A disability-related reasonable accommodation.

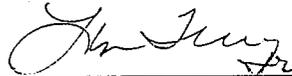
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- Una acomodación razonable relacionados con una incapacidad.

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James N. Goldstone  
Executive Officer

Date: 8/22/11

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