Notice of Decision

Project Title: “Amendments to the Airborne Toxic Control Measure (ATCM) to Limit Diesel-fueled Commercial Motor Vehicle Idling”
Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Regulations for Medium- and Heavy-Duty Engines and Vehicles; Optional Reduced Emission Standards for Heavy-Duty Engines; and Amendments to the Tractor-Trailer GHG Regulation; Diesel-Fueled Commercial Motor Vehicle Idling Rule; and Heavy-Duty Hybrid-Electric Vehicles Certification Procedures.
(SCH# 2013102050)

Project Location: Statewide

Public Meeting Date: December 12, 2013; Agenda Item 13-11-1

Project Description: The “Amendments to the Airborne Toxic Control Measure (ATCM) to Limit Diesel-fueled Commercial Motor Vehicle Idling” is one of five separate but related regulatory actions that will reduce GHG and NOx emissions from medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and engines; harmonize State requirements with Federal requirements; establish new, optional provisions; and enhance enforcement and implementation of existing regulation. The five regulatory actions include: (1) Phase I Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Regulations for Medium- and Heavy-Duty Engines and Vehicles; (2) Optional Reduced Emission Standards for Heavy-Duty Engines; (3) Amendments to the Tractor-Trailer GHG Regulation; (4) Diesel-Fueled Commercial Motor Vehicle Idling Rule; and (5) Amendments to the Heavy-Duty Hybrid-Electric Vehicle Certification Procedures.

Specifically, these amendments expand the applicability of the idling ATCM to include the vehicle owner and the motor carrier that dispatched the vehicle. This amendment also expands the definition of "restricted area" to include schools, hotels, motels, hospitals, senior care facilities, and child care facilities which will provide additional protection from exposure to diesel particulate matter and other toxic air contaminants to those members of the public who attend schools, or work or reside at hotels and motels.
This notice is to advise that the California Air Resources Board (ARB or Board), as the lead agency, approved the above regulatory action on December 12, 2013.

The Board found that, on the basis of the whole record, the regulation will not result in any significant adverse impacts on the environment. ARB prepared an environmental analysis (EA) in accordance with the requirements of its certified regulatory program under CEQA (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15251, subd, (d)). The EA, included in the Staff Report: Initial Statement of Reasons prepared for the proposed rulemaking, concluded implementation of the regulation would not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts. Mitigation measures were not made a condition of approval, and findings and a statement of overriding considerations were not adopted for this regulatory action.

No written comments received during the 45-day comment period raised any significant environmental issues pertaining to this regulatory action.

The EA included in the Staff Report, and all other regulatory documents, are available for public inspection on the ARB rulemaking webpage at: http://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/2013/hdghg2013/hdghg2013.htm

These documents may also be examined at:

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