CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF PROPOSED STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN REVISIONS FOR 8-HOUR OZONE AND MINOR TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE PM2.5 SIP TRANSPORTATION CONFORMITY BUDGETS

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 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). ARB's proposed 8-hour ozone SIP revisions are limited to updating the ARB rulemaking calendar for one measure, updating ARB's actions to identify and implement advanced emission control technologies, adjustments to transportation conformity budgets, and revisions to reasonable further progress tables including associated reductions for contingency purposes for the South Coast and the San Joaquin Valley Air Basins. ARB staff is also proposing minor technical revisions to the PM2.5 SIP transportation conformity budgets for the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley.

DATE: July 21, 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 will be considered at a one-day meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m., July 21, 2011. Please consult the agenda for the meeting, which will be available at least ten days before July 21, 2011, to determine the order of agenda items.

Background

ARB and local air districts are responsible for developing clean air plans to demonstrate how and when California will attain the 8-hour ozone standard established under the federal Clean Air Act. In 2007, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast) and the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (San Joaquin Valley) adopted comprehensive 8-hour ozone SIPs to meet this standard.

As part of these SIPs, ARB adopted the 2007 State Strategy to map out the actions it would take to reduce ozone precursor emissions to levels that will bring California regions into compliance with federal health-based air quality standards. The State Strategy includes a legal commitment by the State of California, enforceable in

federal court, to reduce emissions to specific levels. The 2007 State Strategy provides most of the emission reductions needed in the two regions.

In 2009, ARB adopted and submitted its first status report and revision to the 2007 State Strategy. The status report documented the progress made in implementing the State Strategy in terms of actions taken and emission reductions achieved since the 2007 State Strategy was adopted. The SIP revision also included a commitment to revise the SIP, as necessary.

In April 2011, ARB considered a second status report documenting actions taken since April 2009, and the Board's Executive Officer subsequently approved revisions to California's SIPs for PM2.5 that accounted for those recent actions. The PM2.5 SIP revisions included an updated calendar of ARB rulemaking, updates to reasonable further progress tables with associated reductions for contingency purposes, and adjustments to the transportation conformity budgets. ARB staff is now proposing similar updates for the 8-hour ozone SIPs for the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley Air Basins, including an update to the ARB rulemaking calendar for one measure, ARB's actions to identify advanced emission control technologies, reasonable further progress tables with associated contingency reductions, and transportation conformity budgets.

Proposed Action

ARB staff has produced a staff report entitled, "Proposed 8-Hour Ozone State Implementation Plans Revisions and Technical Revisions to the PM2.5 State Implementation Plan Transportation Conformity Budgets for the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley Air Basins" (Staff Report) supporting the following proposed revisions to the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley 8-hour ozone SIPs: adjustments to the transportation conformity budgets, updates to reasonable further progress tables with associated reductions for contingency purposes, an updated ARB rulemaking calendar for one measure, and a discussion of ARB's actions to identify advanced emission control technologies.

ARB is proposing to update the transportation conformity budgets applicable to the federal 8-hour ozone standard for the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley Air Basins. These updates are necessary to account for the Board's December 2010 action regarding amendments to the truck and bus regulation. ARB staff is also proposing to make minor technical revisions to the PM2.5 SIP transportation conformity budgets adopted in April for the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley. The Staff Report details the revisions to the SIP transportation conformity budgets.

The federal Clean Air Act requires SIPs to show that there will be steady progress in reducing emissions during the years leading to the attainment date, called reasonable further progress. Therefore, ARB staff is proposing updates to the reasonable further progress tables to reflect the current status of adopted measures and to account for changes due to the recession. These revisions are necessary to reflect

current forecast of emissions accounting for recently identified emission inventory improvements, the recession, and recent regulatory actions.

ARB staff is also proposing an update to ARB's rulemaking calendar for the 8-hour ozone SIPs. The Executive Officer approved amendments to ARB's PM2.5 rulemaking calendar adopted by the Board in April 2011. These amendments should also be reflected in ARB's rulemaking calendar for the 8-hour ozone SIPs with one additional modification, a change to the expected action date for cleaner in-use agricultural equipment. ARB proposes to change the action date for this measure to 2013, consistent with the updated calendar for the other ozone measures identified in the 2007 ozone SIP that are still under development.

Due to the severity of the ozone air quality challenges in the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley Air Basins, advanced technologies are necessary to attain the 8-hour ozone standard by the attainment date of 2024. In accordance with the requirements of the federal Clean Air Act, ARB staff is updating ARB actions to identify and implement advanced technologies needed to reach the 8-hour ozone standard as contained in the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley 8-hour ozone SIPs.

ARB staff will make an oral presentation at the hearing and will present the proposed SIP revision for Board action. Copies of the proposed SIP revision may be obtained from ARB's Public Information Office,1001 I Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, (916) 322-2990 beginning June 20, 2011. This document may also be obtained from 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, July 20, 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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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. Sylvia Zulawnick, Manager of the Particulate Matter Analysis Section at (916) 324-7163 or Mr. Jeff Lindberg, Air Pollution Specialist at (916) 322-2832.

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James N. Goldstene
Executive Officer

Date: June 20, 2011