



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED REVISION TO TITLE V PERMIT FOR EXIDE

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is the air pollution control agency for the four county-regions including all of Orange County and non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. Rule 3006 requires that the SCAQMD publish this notice prior to a significant revision of a Title V permit.

Facility Information

Exide Technologies, Inc.
2700 S. Indiana Street
Vernon, CA 90058
Facility ID # 124838

Contact Person:
Mr. Ed Mopas
Environmental Manager

This facility is a secondary lead smelter that recovers/recycles lead from lead acid batteries and other lead scrap materials. The facility operates a battery crushing and separation system, a rotary dryer, a cupola and reverberatory furnace, and several pot furnaces (refining kettles). Associated air pollution control equipment includes thermal oxidizers, scrubbers, and baghouses equipped with high efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters. The facility has not been in operation since March 14, 2014.

Proposed Title V Permit Revisions

The proposed Title V Permit revision is for the installation of new air pollution control equipment in order for Exide to implement the risk reduction measures identified in their Risk Reduction Plan that was prepared in accordance to SCAQMD Rule 1402 and to assure compliance with SCAQMD Rule 1420.1. The proposed revision includes addition of a new scrubber, two regenerative thermal oxidizers (RTOs), a cartridge-type dust collector, re-purposing of an existing baghouse, and having the existing scrubber system control emissions from one furnace instead of two furnaces and have the new scrubber control emissions from the other furnace. In addition, the revision includes changes to the facility ventilation systems to better ensure that all emissions are properly controlled. The SCAQMD has evaluated the permit applications associated with these proposed changes and it is expected that the equipment will meet all applicable air quality Rules and Regulations. As required by Title V of the federal Clean Air Act and SCAQMD Regulation XXX, the SCAQMD is proposing

to revise the existing Title V permit of this facility to include the new equipment and changes described above.

The proposed permit, engineering evaluation and Revised Final Risk Reduction Plan can be viewed at <http://www3.aqmd.gov/webappl/publicnotices2/Search.aspx> by entering the facility's ID number (124838). The proposed permit, engineering evaluation and Revised Final Risk Reduction Plan is also available at the SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765 and at the Los Angeles Public Library-Vernon Branch (Leon H. Washington Jr. Memorial), 4504 S. Central Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90011.

Information regarding the facility owner's compliance history submitted to the SCAQMD pursuant to California Health & Safety Code Section 42336, or otherwise known to the SCAQMD based on credible information, is also available on the SCAQMD website under for public review under FIND database at http://www3.aqmd.gov/webappl/fim/prog/facility_details.aspx?fac_id=124838 **Anyone wishing to comment on the issuance of the proposed revised Title V permit and implementation of the Risk Reduction Plan should submit their comments in writing by November 17, 2014.**

The public may also request the SCAQMD to conduct a public hearing on the proposed permit by submitting a Hearing Request Form (Form 500-G). The public hearing request must contain all the information requested on the form in order for the SCAQMD to determine whether or not the request is valid and if a public hearing will be held. The public hearing request forms may be obtained from the SCAQMD by calling the Title V hotline at (909) 396-3013, or downloading from the internet at:

<http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/grants/500-g-form.pdf?sfvrsn=2>. **Any request for a public hearing must be submitted to the SCAQMD no later than November 3, 2014. A copy of the hearing request must also be sent by first class mail to the facility contact person listed above at the same time.**

Written comments or requests for a Public Hearing must be submitted to:

South Coast Air Quality Management District
Engineering and Compliance
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178
Attention: Andrew Lee
Senior Engineering Manager

In addition, as the lead agency for approval of this project, the SCAQMD has prepared a document to identify environmental impacts associated with the implementation of the Risk Reduction Plan and proposed construction of air pollution control systems to assure compliance with other rules and regulations at Exide, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Information regarding notice of intent to adopt the CEQA document and to review and comment on the document can be viewed at <http://aqmd.gov/home/library/documents-support-material/lead-agency-permit-projects/permit-project-documents---year-2014>

If you are concerned primarily about zoning decisions and the process by which this facility has been sited at this location, you should contact your local city or county planning department. For your general information, anyone experiencing air quality problems such as dust, smoke and odors can telephone in a complaint to the SCAQMD by calling 1-800-CUT-SMOG (1-800-288-7664). For additional information, please contact Mr. Andrew Lee at (909) 396-2643 or by e-mail at Allee@aqmd.gov.