



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPROVE FLARE MINIMIZATION PLAN PURSUANT TO RULE 1118

This notice is to inform you that the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) has received a Flare Minimization Plan application for Rule 1118 - Control of Emissions from Refinery Flares and intends to approve the plan submitted. The AQMD is the air pollution control agency for all of Orange County and portions of Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. Rule 1118 sets refinery specific annual Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) performance targets that decrease with time from years 2006 to 2012. Exceedance of the annual performance target by a subject facility would trigger the submittal of a Flare Minimization Plan to the AQMD for approval.

The AQMD has evaluated the Flare Minimization Plan and determined that the plan meets applicable requirements of the subject rule. Prior to approval of the Flare Minimization Plan, this public notice is being published in accordance Rule 1118 of the AQMD Rules and Regulations.

APPLICANT: Ultramar, Inc. (Valero Wilmington Refinery)
FACILITY ID NO.: 800026
PLAN APPLICATION NO.: 500933
FACILITY LOCATION: 2402 E. Anaheim Street, Wilmington, CA 90744

The facility is a petroleum refinery which processes crude oil into products such as gasoline, diesel, jet fuel and petroleum coke. The refinery operates four flares to dispose of combustible gases resulting from emergency relief, overpressure, process upsets, startups, shutdowns, and other operational and safety reasons to prevent direct release of toxic and/or odorous substances to the atmosphere.

In accordance with Rule 1118, the flare minimization plan and the AQMD's analysis are available for public review during normal business hours at the AQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA. The proposed plan can also be viewed at <http://www.aqmd.gov/webappl/publicnotices> by entering the facility's ID number.

Anyone wishing to comment on the proposed issuance of the revised permit should submit their comments in writing to the AQMD by **May 18, 2010**, at:

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For additional information or to review the supporting documents, please contact Ms. Connie Yee at (909) 396-2619, or cjee@aqmd.gov.