

South Coast Air Quality Management District  
Notice of Public Workshop  
**Proposed Amended Rule 463 – Organic Liquid Storage**

Wednesday, March 27, 2024  
10 AM

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The Public Workshop will be conducted via video conferencing (Zoom), which can be accessed via personal computer or smart phone. Alternatively, stakeholders can phone-in to participate. We understand that this is not the same as an in-person public meeting; however, staff will take the time to listen to comments from all stakeholders. You are invited to attend the meeting electronically through Zoom or by phone. Instructions on how to participate can be found at the top of this notice.

**Purpose of This Meeting**

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (South Coast AQMD) has scheduled a Public Workshop to present and solicit information and suggestions from the public on Proposed Amended Rule 463 – Organic Liquid Storage (PAR 463) which is scheduled for a Public Hearing before the South Coast AQMD Governing Board on June 7, 2024 (subject to change).

**Background**

Rule 463 – Organic Liquid Storage was adopted to reduce volatile organic compound emissions from above-ground storage tanks. Amendments were made in May 2023 to address deficiencies identified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA).

**Objective of Proposed Amended Rule**

PAR 463 rule development was initiated in response to objectives in the Wilmington, Carson, West Long Beach Community Emission Reduction Plan (CERP) and the South Los Angeles CERP for enhanced leak detection and to partially implement Control Measure FUG-01: Improved Leak Detection and Repair in the Final 2022 Air Quality Management Plan, both of which are committed to improved leak detection requirements in South Coast AQMD rules. PAR 463 will introduce contingency measures to partially satisfy Clean Air Act contingency requirements for applicable ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards in the South Coast AQMD’s jurisdiction. PAR 463 will also establish Best Available Retrofit Control Technology requirements, including leak inspections using optical gas imaging (OGI) devices. Additionally, PAR 463 will include contingency measures for both the Coachella Valley and the South Coast Air Basin, which will require more frequent OGI inspections if triggered.

**California Environmental Quality Act**

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and South Coast AQMD’s certified regulatory program (Public Resources Code Section 21080.5, CEQA Guidelines Section 15251(l) and South Coast AQMD Rule 110), the South Coast AQMD, as lead agency, is currently reviewing the proposed project (PAR 463) to determine if it will result in any potential adverse environmental impacts. Appropriate CEQA documentation will be prepared based on the analysis.

### Available Supporting Documents

The following supporting documents will be available no later than March 22, 2024:

- Preliminary Draft of PAR 463; and
- Preliminary Draft Staff Report for PAR 463

### To Obtain Copies of the Above Documents

Copies of the Preliminary Draft PAR 463 and the Preliminary Draft Staff Report may be obtained from:

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The documents will also be available for download from the South Coast AQMD website at:

<https://www.aqmd.gov/home/rules-compliance/rules/scaqmd-rule-book/proposed-rules/rule-463>

### Americans with Disabilities Act and Language Accessibility

Disability and language-related accommodations can be requested to allow participation in the Public Workshop. The agenda will be made available, upon request, in appropriate alternative formats to assist persons with a disability (Government Code Section 54954.2(a)). In addition, other documents may be requested in alternative formats and languages. Any disability or language related accommodation must be requested as soon as practicable. Requests will be accommodated, unless providing the accommodation would result in a fundamental alteration or undue burden to the South Coast AQMD. Please contact Michael Morris at (909) 396-3282 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, or send the request to [mmorris@aqmd.gov](mailto:mmorris@aqmd.gov).

### Submission of Documents or Comments

Comments, documents, studies, reports, or other relevant information may be submitted to the following contacts:

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Written comments on PAR 463 should be submitted by **April 10, 2024**.