



Eastern Kern

Air Pollution Control District

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Board of Directors
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SUBJECT: Adoption of Amendments to Rule 432, (Polyester Resin Operations)

Honorable Board:

The Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) is proposing to adopt amendments to Rule 432, (Polyester Resin Operations). On May 17, 2022, the District held a public workshop at the District Board Room located at 414 W. Tehachapi Boulevard Suite D, Tehachapi, CA 93561, to present proposed amendments to Rule 432. The District received comments from industry following the 30-day public review and comment period. The comments and District responses are addressed in Appendix D of the Rule 432 Staff Report. Staff also submitted copies of proposed amended Rule 432 to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and Region IX of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for review. No comments were received from CARB or EPA.

Rule 432 is being amended to reduce volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from commercial polyester resin operations, industrial polyester resin operations, and organic solvents (use, storage, and waste) associated with polyester resin operations.

Amended Rule 432 will become effective immediately upon Board adoption. A Notice of Public Hearing was duly published more than 30 days prior this hearing in the following newspapers: Mojave Desert News, Daily Independent, Tehachapi News, and Bakersfield Californian. The notice requested written comments on amended Rule 432 and associated staff reports be submitted by August 31, 2022. A copy of the staff report, which includes the proposed amendments to the rule is attached.

IT IS RECOMMENDED your Board Open Hearing; Receive Public Comment; Close Hearing; Adopt Amended Rule 432, (Polyester Resin Operations) and Resolution Number 2022-003-09.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures