SPRI VOC Monitoring Sheraton Suites Rosemont, IL April 15, 2025



Minutes

Call to Order

The VOC Monitoring Task Force meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. CT by Frederick Walnut. The SPRI Antitrust Statement was read.*

Roll Call

Those present were:
Chadwick Collins, SPRI Technical Director

Reports and Updates

- The proposed changes to AQMD Rule 1171 Solvent Cleaning Operations were reviewed and discussed.
- The objective of the meeting was to update the SPRI Members on any changes to the rule development:
 - The most relevant part to the rule change is the prohibiting of PCBTF and TBAC use as solvent cleaners, and as of the March 21, 2025, Working Group meeting, prohibiting Volatile Methyl Siloxanes (VMS);
 - Prohibiting VMS is still being considered by AQMD Staff;
 - Alternative compliance options of Product-Weighted Maximum Incremental Reactivity (PWMIR) in lieu of Method 24 VOC calculations are being considered; and
 - Other changes to Rule 1171 are clarifying definitions, reformatting the text in the rule, and incorporating prohibitions.
- There was a discussion on how the proposed prohibitions would affect SPRI Members and the timeline of the rule development process was reviewed.
- There will be no change to the current VOC limits in Rule 1171;
- The Proposed Rule Amendment came out on March 21, 2025;
- AQMD Staff confirmed that PCBTF and TBAC will be prohibited, likely on 1/1/2026;
- Staff confirmed that there will be a 12-month sell through period from 1/1/2026 to 1/1/2027;
- How the AQMD Governing Board sets the pace of the rule development was discussed;
- The next AQMD internal Stationary Source Committee meeting is April 18, 2025. Rulemaking staff will give the proposed changes to the Committee for the next steps in approving them;
- If approved, the Public Hearing is June 6, 2025. This is when the rule changes will be approved;

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- Sean Koren was elected as the Assistant Task Force Chair;
- The Member Advocate Survey to collect data was cancelled due to the third party not having the survey ready on time; and
- Next steps are to continue to monitor activity in AQMD and report any changes at the next Task Force meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. CT.

Submitted: Frederick Walnut, Task Force Chair

These Minutes have been reviewed by SPRI Legal Counsel.