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## **CEQA Filing Fee No Effect Determination**

## **Applicant Name and Address:**

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CEQA Lead Agency: South Coast Air Quality Management District

Project Title: Proposed Rule 1407.1 - Control of Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions

CEQA Document Type: Certified Regulatory Program Document

## State Clearinghouse Number/local agency ID number: 2020110222

**Project Location:** The project is located within the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (South Coast AQMD) jurisdiction, which includes the four-county South Coast Air Basin (all of Orange County and the non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties), and the Riverside County portion of the Salton Sea Air Basin and the non-Palo Verde, Riverside County portion of the Mojave Desert Air Basin. An aerial map of the entire South Coast AQMD jurisdiction can be found at:

https://www.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=dd4a15deed8647edacb14f140ca83d

**Brief Project Description:** PR 1407.1 proposes to reduce hexavalent chromium, arsenic, cadmium, and nickel emissions from melting operations of metals containing greater than 0.5 percent chromium, including, but not limited to, alloy steel, chromium non-ferrous alloys, stainless steel, and superalloys. Chromium alloy melting operations include smelting, die-casting, and other miscellaneous processes where metals are processed in molten form. PR 1407.1 establishes collection efficiency requirements and hexavalent chromium mass emission limits to control point source emissions; housekeeping requirements and building enclosure provisions to limit fugitive emissions; and source testing, material testing, parameter monitoring, and recordkeeping requirements. By focusing on controlling hexavalent chromium emissions from chromium alloy melting operations, concurrent emission reductions of arsenic, cadmium, and nickel are also expected. The Draft Environmental Assessment did not identify any environmental topic areas that would be significantly adversely affected by PR 1407.1. Two facilities affected by PR 1407.1 were identified on lists compiled by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control per Government Code Section 65962.5.

**Determination:** Based on a review of the project as proposed, the Department of Fish and Wildlife has determined that for purposes of the assessment of CEQA filing fees (Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subd. (c)) the project has no effect on fish, wildlife or their habitat and the project

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as described does not require payment of a CEQA filing fee. This determination does not in any way imply that the project is exempt from CEQA and does not determine the significance of any potential project effects evaluated pursuant to CEQA.

Please retain this original determination for your records. Local lead agencies are required to file two copies of this determination with the county clerk at the time of filing the Notice of Determination (NOD) after the project is approved. State lead agencies are required to file two copies of this determination with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (i.e., State Clearinghouse) at the time of filing the NOD. If you do not file a copy of this determination as appropriate with the county clerk or State Clearinghouse at the time of filing the NOD, the appropriate CEQA filing fee will be due and payable.

Without a valid CEQA Filing Fee No Effect Determination form or proof of fee payment, the project will not be operative, vested, or final and any local permits issued for the project will be invalid, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 711.4, subdivision (c)(3).

Approved by:		DocuSigned by: Cennifer Turner C3D449ECB7C14DE Signature	Date:	11/16/2020
	Jennifer Turner, Senior Environmental Scientist (Supervisory)			
Name, Title				
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