Notice of Decision

Project Title: Amendments to Sulfur Hexafluoride Emissions from Gas Insulated Equipment Regulation

Project Location: Statewide

Public Meeting Date: September 24, 2020; Agenda Item #20-9-2

Project Description: The California Air Resources Board adopted the Sulfur Hexafluoride (SF6) Switchgear Regulation in 2010 due to the extremely high global warming potential of SF6. In response to the State’s climate goals and the increasing availability of equipment that does not use SF6, the amendments to the Regulation cover other greenhouse gases, drive further emissions reductions, and accelerate the transition to equipment that does not use SF6.

This notice is to advise that the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board), as the lead agency, approved the above regulatory action on September 24, 2020.

The Board found that, on the basis of the whole record, the Amendments will not result in any significant adverse impacts on the environment. CARB prepared an environmental analysis (EA) in accordance with the requirements of its certified regulatory program under CEQA. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §15251, subd, (d)). The EA, included in the Staff Report: Initial Statement of Reasons prepared for the amendments, concluded implementation of the amendments would not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts. Mitigation measures were not made a condition of approval, and findings and a statement of overriding considerations were not adopted for this regulatory action.

The EA included in the Staff Report: Initial Statement of Reasons, and all other related documents, are available for public inspection on the CARB rulemaking webpage at: https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/rulemaking/2020/sf6

These documents may also be examined at:
California Air Resources Board
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CARB CEQA Unit

Date: August 13, 2021