

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Date: December 19, 2013
From: San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District
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Fresno, CA 93726
To: Office of Planning & Research
P.O. Box 3044
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Project Title: San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District Rule Development:
Amendments to Rule 4621 (Gasoline Transfer into Stationary Storage Containers, Delivery Vessels,
and Bulk Plants)

Project Location - Specific: Not Applicable

Project Location - City: All cities within the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin (SJVAB)

Project Location - County: All counties in the San Joaquin Valley Air Basin (SJVAB): Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera,
Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Tulare.

Description of Project: This rule development project is to amend the existing San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution
Control District Rule 4621 (Gasoline Transfer into Stationary Storage Containers, Delivery Vessels, and Bulk Plants).
Rule 4621 applies to gasoline storage containers located at bulk plants with capacities greater than 250 gallons and
less than 19,800 gallons; other stationary gasoline storage containers greater than 250 gallons; those gasoline storage
containers that are not subject to the control requirements of Rule 4623 (Storage of Organic Liquids) Section 5.0; and
gasoline delivery vessels. The purpose of the rule amendment is: 1) to remove Air Resource Board (ARB) certification
requirements for aviation gasoline bulk loading operations because ARB does not certify these operations, and 2) to
improve the understanding of existing rule requirements by removing expired and redundant language, and adding
clarifying language. The proposed amendments include: amending language in Section 4.0 to exempt equipment listed
in Sections 4.1 through 4.4 from this rule except for the requirements of Sections 6.1.1 and 6.1.4; splitting Section 5.6.1
into subsections 5.6.1.1 and 5.6.1.2 so that subsection 5.6.1.1 would apply to bulk plants not involved with aviation
gasoline loading and would continue to require an ARB certified vapor recovery system for loading operations (loading
rack) and subsection 5.6.1.2 would apply to bulk plants involved with aviation gasoline loading and would require a
vapor recovery system that meets a minimum volumetric control of 90% when measured in accordance with the test
method specified in Section 6.4.9; adding "or other delivery vessels" to Section 5.7.3; and adding Section 6.4.9 to
include ARB's Test Procedure TP-202.1, Determination of Emissions Factor of Vapor Recovery Systems of Bulk
Plants.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Joaquin Valley Unified APCD

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: San Joaquin Valley Unified APCD

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial: §21080(b)(1); 15268
Declared Emergency: §21080(b)(3); 15269(a)
Emergency Project: §21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)
Categorical Exemption:
Statutory Exemptions:
[X] General Exemption: Section 15061(b)(3)

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: The project is an amendment to existing District Rule 4621 (Gasoline Transfer into
Stationary Storage Containers, Delivery Vessels, and Bulk Plants). District staff concludes that there is no substantial
evidence in the whole record before the District that the proposed amendments to Rule 4621 would cause any adverse
effects on the environment. The District finds that the project is exempt per the general rule that CEQA applies only to
projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment (CCR §15061(b)(3)).

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