RESOLUTION NO. AQM

Rule 421 – MANDATORY EPISODIC CURTAILMENT OF WOOD AND OTHER SOLID FUEL BURNING

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District is authorized to adopt, amend or repeal rules and regulations by Sections 40001, 40702, 40716, 41013, and 42402.5 of the California Health and Safety Code (Health and Safety Code Section 40727(b)(2)); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District has determined recent air quality data shows that Sacramento County exceeds the federal 24-hour PM2.5 national ambient air quality standard; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District has determined that a need exists to amend Rule 421 – MANDATORY EPISODIC CURTAILMENT OF WOOD AND OTHER SOLID FUEL BURNING to meet the requirements of Section 39614 of the California Health and Safety Code and to make progress toward attaining the federal 24-hour PM2.5 standard (Health and Safety Code Section 40727(b)(1)); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District has determined that the meaning of amended Rule 421 can be easily understood by the persons affected by it (Health and Safety Code Section 40727(b)(3)); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District has determined that Rule 421 is in harmony with, and not in conflict with or contradictory to, existing statutes, court decisions, or state or federal regulations (Health and Safety Code Section 40727(b)(4)); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District has determined that Rule 421 does not impose the same requirements as any existing state or federal rule or regulation that applies to affected sources within the District (Health and Safety Code Section 40727(b)(5)); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District has determined that Rule 421 implements Health and Safety Code Section 39614 (SB 656 Particulate Matter) (Health and Safety Code Section 40727(b)(6)); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District has considered a written analysis prepared by staff (Health and Safety Code Section 40727.2); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District has maintained records of the rulemaking proceedings (Health and Safety Code Section 40728); and Board Resolution Rule 421 September 24, 2009, Page 2

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District held a duly noticed public hearing on September 24, 2009 and considered public comment on the proposed rule (Health and Safety Code Sections 40725 and 40726); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District has considered the socioeconomic impacts of the rule (Health and Safety Code Section 40728.5); and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15308 of the State CEQA Guidelines, exempts actions by a regulatory agency for the protection of the environment; and Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines exempts actions where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant adverse effect on the environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the amendment of Rule 421 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District approves and adopts the proposed amendments to Rule 421 – MANDATORY EPISODIC CURTAILMENT OF WOOD AND OTHER SOLID FUEL BURNING including Sections 301 and 302 that contain the no burn thresholds described as ______ (Staff recommendation, Option A with voluntary curtailment threshold of 20 or 25 μ g/m³, Option B and/ or the contingency provision); and

BE IT ORDERED that the amendments to Rule 421 be effective as of September 24, 2009.

ON A MOTION by Director ______, seconded by Director ______, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District, State of California, this 24th day of September, 2009, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Directors

NOES: Directors

ABSENT: Directors

Chairperson of the Board Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District State of California

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District