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Notice of Exemption

- Project Title:** Amendments to the California Air Resources Board's Certified Regulatory Program in the California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Sections 60000-60007
- Project Location:** Statewide
- Public Meeting Date:** May 23, 2019; Agenda Item #19-5-1
- Project Description:** Amendments to the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Certified Regulatory Program, which will help to more fully set forth the procedures CARB follows, align CARB's procedures with established California Environmental Quality Act principles as appropriate, harmonize the regulation to the statutory requirements, eliminate regulatory ambiguity, add greater specificity to CARB's environmental review process, and update reference citations.

This notice is to advise that the California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board), as the lead agency, approved the above-described action on May 23, 2019.

CARB has determined that these regulatory amendments are exempt from CEQA under the "general rule" or "common sense" exemption (14 CCR 15061(b)(3)). The common sense exemption states a project is exempt from CEQA if "the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA." Based on CARB's review it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that these regulatory amendments would result in a significant adverse impact on the environment; therefore, this activity is exempt from CEQA. The proposed amendments are an administrative update to CARB's certified regulatory program in order to further specify CARB's environmental review practices. The regulation concerns only the Board's internal procedure and would not change any entity's physical compliance responses. The proposed amendments have no potential for material impact on any regulated entity or the environment. An explanation of the basis for reaching this conclusion is also included in Chapter V of the Staff Report.

The Staff Report and all other related documents are available for public inspection on the CARB webpage at: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/rulemaking/2019/amendmentstocrp>

These documents may also be examined at:

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