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Board of Directors Eastern Kern APCD 2700 "M" Street, Suite 302 Bakersfield, CA 93301

SUBJECT: Adoption of Amendments to Rule 425.2, (Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process

Heaters, Oxides of Nitrogen)

Honorable Board:

Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) is proposing to adopt amendments to Rule 425.2, (Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process Heaters, Oxides of Nitrogen). On November 2, 2017, the District held a public workshop at the Mojave Veteran's Building in Mojave, CA to present proposed amendments to Rule 425.2. District staff submitted copies of the proposed amendments to the California Air Resources Board (ARB) and Region IX of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for an initial review prior to the workshop. A 30-day public review and comment period followed the workshop. No comments were received.

Rule 425.2 is being amended to lower the nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions limits from boilers, steam generators, and process heaters with rated heat input of 5 million Btu per hour or more and fired with gaseous and/or liquid fuels. Rule 425.2 will become effective immediately upon Board adoption. A Notice of Public Hearing was duly published more than 30 days prior to this hearing in the following newspapers: Mojave Desert News, Daily Independent, Tehachapi News, and Bakersfield Californian. The notice requested written comments on amended Rule 425.2 and associated staff reports by March 5, 2018. A copy of the staff report, which includes the proposed amendments to the rule is attached.

IT IS RECOMMENDED your Board Open Hearing; Receive Public Comment; Close Hearing; Adopt Amended Rule 425.2, ((Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process Heaters, Oxides of Nitrogen), and Resolution Number 2018-001-03.

Sincerely,

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