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# Eastern Kern

## Air Pollution Control District

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Board of Directors  
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**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Amendments to Rule 425.3, Portland Cement Kilns (Oxides of Nitrogen)

Honorable Board:

Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District (District) is proposing to adopt amendments to Rule 425.3, Portland Cement Kilns (Oxides of Nitrogen). On September 18, 2024, the District held a public workshop at the District Board Room in Tehachapi, CA to present proposed amendments to Rule 425.3. District staff submitted copies of the proposed amendments to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) 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 425.3 is being amended to include nitrogen oxide (NO<sub>x</sub>) emission limits during periods of shutdown and startup. The definitions for shutdown and startup are also being revised to match language in 40 CFR 63, LLL (Cement NESHAP), and a federal reporting requirement is being added. Rule 425.3 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, Tehachapi News, and Bakersfield Californian. The notice requested written comments on amended Rule 425.3 and associated staff report by November 6, 2024. 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 425.3, Portland Cement Kilns (Oxides of Nitrogen), and Resolution Number 2024-002-11.

Sincerely,

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