Proposed
California Low Emissions and Reactivity (CLEAR) Regulation For Aerosol Coating Products

Meeting of the Reactivity Scientific Advisory Committee

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Riverside, California

California Environmental Protection Agency

Air Resources Board

Agenda

- RSAC Meeting on February 24
- Legal Requirements
- Proposed Regulatory Language
- Program Elements
- Updated Table of MIRs
- Schedule

Legal Requirements

- Statutory Requirement for review
- Public Process for review

Public Process to Adopt Regulations

- Staff Report and proposed Regulation released 45 days prior to October Board Hearing
- Public review during this time

Proposed CLEAR Regulation For Aerosol Coating Products Sections 94530 - 94539

- Voluntary Alternative to the Existing Aerosol Coating Regulation
- Reactivity Based VOC Limits
- Requirements Parallel Current Regulation

Section 94531 - Definitions

- VOC definition in Aerosol Coating Regulation does not apply
- Proposing 15 New Additional Definitions
  - Reactivity Related Terms

Section 94532 - CLEAR Limits

- Table of Limits
- Two Methods
  - Percent Reduction
  - Complying Products

Proposed Percent Reduction Method to Set Limits

- Equivalence to "Percent Reduction"
  - Aerosol Coating Product
  - Current Sales-Weighted Average VOC content is 60% by weight.
  - Proposed Limit is 45% by weight.
  - Thus, a 25% mass reduction in VOC content.

Percent Reduction Method

Steps	Example
(1) Determine % reduction to the proposed VOC limit →	Reduce emissions by 25%
(2) Calculate SWA-MIR for an Aerosol Coatings Category →	MIR_{cat} = 1.86 (g O_3/ g product)
(3) Apply % reduction to MIR of category →	Reduce MIR by 25% = (1 - 0.25) x 1.86 = 1.40 (g O_3/ g product)
(4) Result = wtd-MIR Limit for category →	Wtd-MIR Limit = 1.40 (g O_3/ g product)

Complying Market Share Method

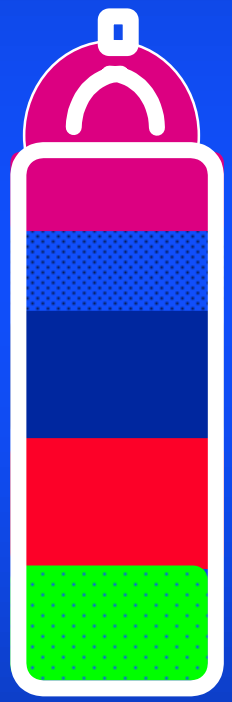
Determine the sales-weighted MIR of the complying products for the category:

= Σ(wtd-MIR for each complying product x sales)/ Σ sales

= SWA-MIR of complying products

= CLEAR Limit

Composite Paint Formula and Calculation of Weighted Reactivity



Contents	Weight Percent	MIR	Weighted Reactivity
acetone	35%	0.48	0.17
toluene	13%	4.19	0.54
propane	12%	0.64	0.08
xylene	8%	7.77	0.62
isobutane	12%	1.56	0.19
solids	20%	0	0.00
Total	100%		1.60

Product MIR_{abs} = 1.60 g O_3/g product

Section 94533 - Assignment of Maximum Incremental Reactivity (MIR) Values

- MIR value of Zero is assigned to:
  - Non-Carbon Containing Ingredients
  - CO_2, Carbonic Acid, Metallic Carbides or Carbonates, Ammonium Carbonate
  - Coating Solids
- All other VOCs assigned a MIR value

Establishing Uncertainty Factors for MIRs

- Need factors reflecting uncertainty associated with MIRs of individual compounds
- Dr. Carter's uncertainty rankings as basis
- Proposals
  - Uncertainty Bins
  - Use of Upper-Limit MIRs

Uncertainty Factor Approach

Carter Uncertainty Ranking	Uncertainty Factor
1 - 5, 9*	1.0
6 - 8, 10, 11	2.0

* Ranking of "9" infers that the current mechanism is expected to (or has been found to) over-predict reactivity.

Upper Limit Methodology

- Methodology developed by Dr. Carter of University of California at Riverside
- Published methodology based on interpretations from practical, experimental evidence
- Discussed at February meeting

Methodology

Upper-Limit MIR = Kinetic Reactivity x Mechanistic Reactivity,

where ULMIR is in units of g O_3 formed / g VOC emitted,

Kinetic Reactivity is fraction of VOC reacting (unitless), and

Mechanistic Reactivity is g O_3 formed / g VOC reacting.

Upper Limit MIR Proposal

- Propose to use methodology if no MIR value on Dr. Carter's list
- Reflects new chemical mechanism
- Affects less than one percent-by-weight of reported aerosol coating VOCs

Assigning MIRs to Hydrocarbon Solvents

- Used in aerosol coatings
- Solvents with constituents of normal, branched and cyclic alkanes, and aromatic compounds
- Goal is to identify classes or ‘bins’ and assign MIR value to each bin

Categorizing Hydrocarbon Solvents

- Binning criteria:
  - Boiling range
  - Aromatic content
  - Alkane content

Summary

- Statutory Requirement
- Voluntary Alternative to mass-based Regulation
- Equivalent O_3 Reductions

Proposed CLEAR Regulation Uses the MIR Scale

- Proposed regulation based on Dr. Carter's August 6, 1998, updated Table of MIRs
- Industry comments on list
- Review process

Aerosol Coatings Schedule

- September 4, 1998 — Release Staff Report for Proposed Regulation
- October 22, 1998 — Board Hearing