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Proposed Response Plan (RA) for Barton Rd I-215 Interchange Improvement Project Demetri/A-1 Cleaners Parcel

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) staff appreciates the opportunity to comment on the above-mentioned document and would like to be included in future public participation activities associated with the cleanup effort (“project”). If remediation or any on-site activity involves equipment or operations which either emits or controls air pollution, the SCAQMD staff should be consulted in advance of the project start to determine whether or not any permits or plans are required to be filed and approved by SCAQMD prior to start of operation. The following comments are intended to provide guidance to the Lead Agency and should be incorporated into the revised or Final Response Plan, as appropriate.

As stated in the proposed RA, the former Demetri/A-1 Cleaners site will require excavation of approximately 925 cubic yards of soil and stockpiled onsite until exported to a licensed disposal facility. Past remedial investigations indicated that the soil is contaminated with Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), tetrachloroethylene (PCE), and trichloroethylene (TCE). SCAQMD staff would like to remind the Lead Agency that disturbing soils that may contain petroleum hydrocarbons are subject to the requirements of SCAQMD Rule 1166 – Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Decontamination of Soil. SCAQMD Rule 1166 should be incorporated during the development of the Final RA. Furthermore, the Final RA should also discuss how the project will comply with SCAQMD Rule 402 – Nuisance, if volatile organic compounds and/or odors are emitted during soil disturbance activities.

SCAQMD staff is available to work with the Lead Agency to address these concerns and any other air quality questions that may arise. Please contact Jack Cheng, Air Quality Specialist, CEQA IGR, at (909) 396-2448, if you have any questions regarding these comments. We look forward to reviewing and providing comments for the Final RA associated with this project.

Sincerely,

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