Report to BACWA Board from AIR Committee (February 2012)

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Committee Request for Board Action	None at this time.
Committee Agenda Items	None at this time.

Recent Committee Actions:

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AIR Website	http://bacwa.org/Committees/AirIssuesRegulations.aspx

News and Updates:

BAAQMD Upcoming Workshops	Rules Workshop: • BAAQMD is conducting a public workshop to review and discuss draft amendments to District permitting rules to incorporate US EPA mandated requirements for nitrogen dioxide (NO_2), particulate matter less than 2.5 micrometers ($PM_{2.5}$), and greenhouse gases (GHG) Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) and Title V permitting • The objective of these amendments is for the BAAQMD to obtain an approved State Implementation Plan (SIP) for its PSD and nonattainment New Source Review (NSR) programs, which protect public health and welfare from criteria pollutant and GHG emissions • Details of Workshop: Date: Wednesday, February 22, 2012 Time: 9:30 am to 12:00 noon Venue: BAAQMD headquarters in the 7th floor Board room 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco 2012 Fees Workshop: • BAAQMD is conducting a public workshop to review and discuss draft amendments to District Regulation 3: Fees • The amendments to the District's fee regulation would be effective on July 1, 2012, and would increase fee revenue in order to help the District recover a greater share of the costs the District incurs in implementing and enforcing regulatory programs for stationary sources of air pollution • Details of Workshop: Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2012 Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 noon Venue: BAAQMD headquarters in the 7th floor Board room 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco
For more information	http://www.baaqmd.gov/pln/ruledev/workshops.htm

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CARB GHG Mandatory Reporting Update	• Reporting Dates: - April 10, 2012: Reports are due for facilities and suppliers of fuels and carbon dioxide, except when subject to Abbreviated Reporting - June 1, 2012: Reports are due for Electric Power Entities, and current reporters subject to Abbreviated Reporting. Facilities that have not previously reported to ARB do not have to file reports until June 1, 2013 (per Title 17, CCR 95103(a)(7)) • Requirements for cogeneration reporters that emitted less than 10,000 metric tons $CO2_e$ from general stationary combustion in 2011: - Facilities within this category do not need to report or contact CARB at this time, and it is unlikely in the future - However, the issue of cessation for facilities in this category is under review within CARB - If CARB staff determine that further reporting is required for these facilities, CARB staff will notify the facility's designated manager - When the new reporting webtool rolls out on February 22nd, facilities with cogeneration emissions greater than 8,000 in prior years may get notices indicating that they may be subject to reporting to confirm the facility emissions do not exceed the new GSC threshold
For more information	http://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/reporting/ghg-rep/ghg-rep-dates.htm.
CARB Cap & Trade Update	• Regulation approved during CARB Board meeting in December 2011; Regulation became effective as of January 1, 2012 • Biomass emissions, including those from combustion of digester and landfill gas, are excluded • Enforcement of CARB's Cap & Trade rule has been deferred from 2012 to 2013
For more information	http://arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/capandtrade.htm

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Next AIR Committee Meeting: **Wednesday, April 18, 2012**
Venue: TBD