

# Proposed Amended Rule 1407

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Working Group #3

January 30, 2018



# Agenda

- Summary of Working Group #2
- Meeting with California Metals Coalition – December 15, 2017
- Applicability of Proposed Amended Rule 1407
- Hexavalent Chromium
- Initial Review of Two Source Tests
- Initial Concepts for Point Source Emission Limits

# Summary of Working Group #2

- Discussed existing provisions under Rule 1407 and possible rule concepts for:
  - Purpose and Applicability
    - Include ferrous metal melting operations and hexavalent chromium
  - Control Approach
    - Point source controls, total enclosures, and housekeeping
  - Source Tests
    - Emission of specific toxics versus emission of particulates
    - Control efficiency versus mass emission
  - Emission Control Device Monitoring
    - Flow meter, smoke test, pressure gauge, bag leak detection system,
  - Ambient Air Monitoring
  - Exemptions



# Meeting with California Metals Coalition

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# Meeting with California Metals Coalition

- December 15, 2017
- Attended By
  - SCAQMD
  - California Metals Coalition
  - 6 metal melting facilities

# Meeting with California Metals Coalition (*cont.*)

- Differences between alloys, processes, furnaces, volumes
  - Varying material content depending on product and client needs
  - Volumes processed differ significantly from facility to facility
  - Melting temperature dependent on alloy
  - Vacuum melting versus air melting
- Expressed concern about a “one-size fits all” approach
- When and how is hexavalent chromium produced?
  - Not intentionally creating hexavalent chromium
- Requirement versus contaminant
  - Chromium and nickel are added to melts
  - Arsenic and cadmium are contaminants

# Meeting with California Metals Coalition (*cont.*)

- Total Enclosures
  - May pose a health and safety issue
  - SCAQMD staff discussed this issue with Cal-OSHA
  - Staff's approach for total enclosures is not in conflict with any Cal-OSHA requirements
  - Any requirements for total enclosures will include a provision that will allow modifications for OSHA requirements
- Source testing and ambient air monitoring
  - Source testing is expensive
  - Questions about what SCAQMD plans to do about ambient air monitoring
  - Staff responded that a separate ambient air monitoring rule is being developed – Proposed Rule 1480
    - Expected to include various types of sources and toxic air contaminants

# Meeting with California Metals Coalition (*cont.*)

- Questions regarding why not amend Rule 1407 for non-ferrous metal melting and adopt Rule 1407.1 for ferrous metal melting?
  - Discuss in more detail in next slide
- What does SCAQMD plan to do about welding, cutting, and grinding?
  - Proposed Amended Rule 1407 may include provisions for grinding and possibly cutting
  - More discussion of welding at Rule 1407 facilities is needed
- How will SCAQMD determine thresholds?
  - Staff will be discussing possible point-source emission rates
  - Concepts for ambient or other types of thresholds or approaches for monitoring would be addressed in Proposed Rule 1480



# Proposed Amended Rule 1407 Applicability

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# Rule 1407 and Rule 1407.1

- Stakeholders have commented to have two rules – Rule 1407 for non-ferrous metal melting and Rule 1407.1 for ferrous metal melting
- Staff believes that having one rule for both non-ferrous and ferrous metal melting will be easier for facility operators
  - Easier for operators to have all requirements in one rule versus splitting requirements in two rules
  - Proposed rule can be tailored to accommodate different limits for different alloys and volumes processed
  - Both non-ferrous and ferrous metal melting facilities, whether one or two rules, would have the similar requirements (housekeeping, enclosures, recordkeeping, emissions testing, etc.)
    - These requirements can also be tailored to accommodate different alloys and volumes processed

# PAR 1407 Toxic Air Contaminants

Alloy	Rule 1407 Status	US EPA Carcinogenic Classification
Arsenic	Current 1407	Carcinogenic to Humans
Cadmium	Current 1407	Likely to be Carcinogenic to Humans
<b>Chromium (hexavalent)</b>	<b>PAR 1407</b>	<b>Carcinogenic to Humans</b>
Nickel	Current 1407	Carcinogenic to Humans

# Hexavalent Chromium

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# Toxicity of Hexavalent Chromium<sup>1</sup>

<b>Exposure Pathway</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inhalation of aerosols or particles</li><li>• Ingestion (eating and drinking)</li><li>• Skin contact</li></ul>
<b>Carcinogen</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Known human carcinogen</li><li>• Inhalation pathway (lung and nose cancers)</li></ul>
<b>Chronic Non-Cancer Health Effects</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Irritation of the nose, throat and lungs</li><li>• Allergic symptoms (wheezing, shortness of breath)</li><li>• Nasal sores and perforation of the membrane separating the nostrils</li></ul>
<b>Chronic Inhalation REL</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 0.2 (<math>\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3</math>)</li></ul>

<sup>1</sup> Health Effects of Hexavalent Chromium Fact Sheet, CalEPA's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment, November 9, 2016

# Hexavalent Chromium Formation

- $\text{Cr}(s) \xrightarrow{\text{HEAT}} \text{Cr}^{6+} + 6e^{-}$
- Heat oxidizes chromium to hexavalent chromium
- Temperature of conversion
  - Trivalent chromium in chromium(III) oxide ( $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$ ) could be converted to hexavalent chromium at a temperature range of 200-300°C (392-572°F)<sup>1</sup>
  - Initial rates of conversion increase with increased temperature

<sup>1</sup> "Extent of oxidation of Cr(III) to Cr(VI) under various conditions pertaining to natural environment", Journal of Hazardous Materials, February 6, 2006

# Criteria for a Recommended Standard

## Occupational Exposure to Hexavalent Chromium

Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

September 2013

- Cr(VI) is formed as a by-product when metals containing metallic chromium are used, such as welding and the thermal cutting of metals; steel mills; and iron and steel foundries
  - These operations and processes use extremely high temperatures which result in the oxidation of the metallic forms of chromium to Cr(VI)
- 1994 – Meridian Research, Inc.
  - Estimated 808,177 production workers in U.S. industries with potential exposure to Cr(VI)
  - > 98% of the potentially exposed workforce was found in six industries: electroplating, welding, painting, paint and coatings production, iron and steel production, and iron and steel foundries

# Criteria for a Recommended Standard Occupational Exposure to Hexavalent Chromium (*cont.*)

- 2006 – OSHA
  - Estimated that more than 558,000 U.S. workers were exposed to Cr(VI)
  - The largest number of workers potentially exposed to Cr(VI) were in the following application groups: carbon steel welding (> 141,000), stainless steel welding (> 127,000), painting (> 82,000), electroplating (> 66,000), steel mills (> 39,000), iron and steel foundries (> 30,000), and textile dyeing (> 25,000)
- 2006 – Shaw Environmental Report
  - Industry sectors with the greatest number of workers exposed above the REL and the greatest number of workers exposed to Cr(VI) include: welding, painting, electroplating, steel mills, and iron and steel foundries



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## Source Test Examples

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# Initial Review of Two Source Tests

- Reviewing source test data – number of source tests is limited
- Evaluated two source tests:
  - Example #1: Furnace, uncontrolled, melting aluminum
    - Multi-metals, including hexavalent chromium
  - Example #2: Furnace, controlled, melting steel
    - Chromium and hexavalent chromium

Example	Control	Metal Melted	Average Processed (lbs)	Pollutants
Example #1	Uncontrolled	Aluminum	56,033	Multi-metal, including Hexavalent Chromium
Example #2	Controlled	Steel	3,195	Chromium and Hexavalent Chromium

# Source Test Data – Example #1

- Equipment Tested – Furnace, no control equipment
- Metal Melted – Aluminum

Run Number	Amount Processed (lbs)	Source Test Results (lbs)				
		Arsenic	Cadmium	Chromium	Hexavalent Chromium	Nickel
1	57,280	0.000348	0.000260	0.000920	0.000030	0.000252
2	55,320	0.000220	0.000148	0.000248	0.000030	0.000372
3	55,500	0.000320	0.001360	0.000296	0.000052	0.000204

# Source Test Data – Example #2

- Equipment Tested – Furnace vented to baghouse
- Metal Melted – Steel

Run Number	Amount Processed (lbs)	Source Test Results (lbs)	
		Chromium	Hexavalent Chromium
1	2,810	0.00013	0.00004
2	4,064	0.00025	0.00019
3	2,711	0.00068	0.00050



# Hexavalent Chromium Conversion Rates

Source Test	Chromium (lbs)	Hexavalent Chromium (lbs)	Percent of Hexavalent Chromium*
Example 1 (Aluminum, Uncontrolled) - Run 1	0.000920	0.000030	3%
Example 1 (Aluminum, Uncontrolled) - Run 2	0.000248	0.000030	12%
Example 1 (Aluminum, Uncontrolled) - Run 3	0.000296	0.000052	18%
Example 2 (Steel, Controlled) - Run 1	0.00013	0.00004	31%
Example 2 (Steel, Controlled) - Run 2	0.00025	0.00019	76%
Example 2 (Steel, Controlled) - Run 3	0.00068	0.00050	74%

\* Percent of Hexavalent Chromium to Total Chromium (Hexavalent Chromium / Chromium)

# Initial Observations of Two Source Tests

- Percentage of hexavalent chromium conversion was substantially lower in furnace melting aluminum as compared to furnace melting steel
- Staff is continuing to evaluate other source tests – data is very limited
- SCAQMD is planning on conducting source testing to obtain additional information



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## Initial Concepts for Emission Limits

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# Concepts for Establishing Point-Source Emission Rate Limits

- Depending on how the emission limit is established will dictate the type of source test(s) needed:
  - PM emission limit – PM source test
  - Toxic metal particulate emission limit – Multi-metals source test PLUS a hexavalent chromium source test
- Assessing an approach that will minimize the number of source tests a facility would be required to conduct



# Concept for Establishing Point Source Emission Rate Limits (*cont.*)

- Establish the level of point source controls that can achieve that specified risk level for:
  - Types of metals
  - Amount of metals processed
- PM source testing would verify that the control efficiency of the point source control
- Approach limits the source testing to PM for most facilities

# Establishing Thresholds

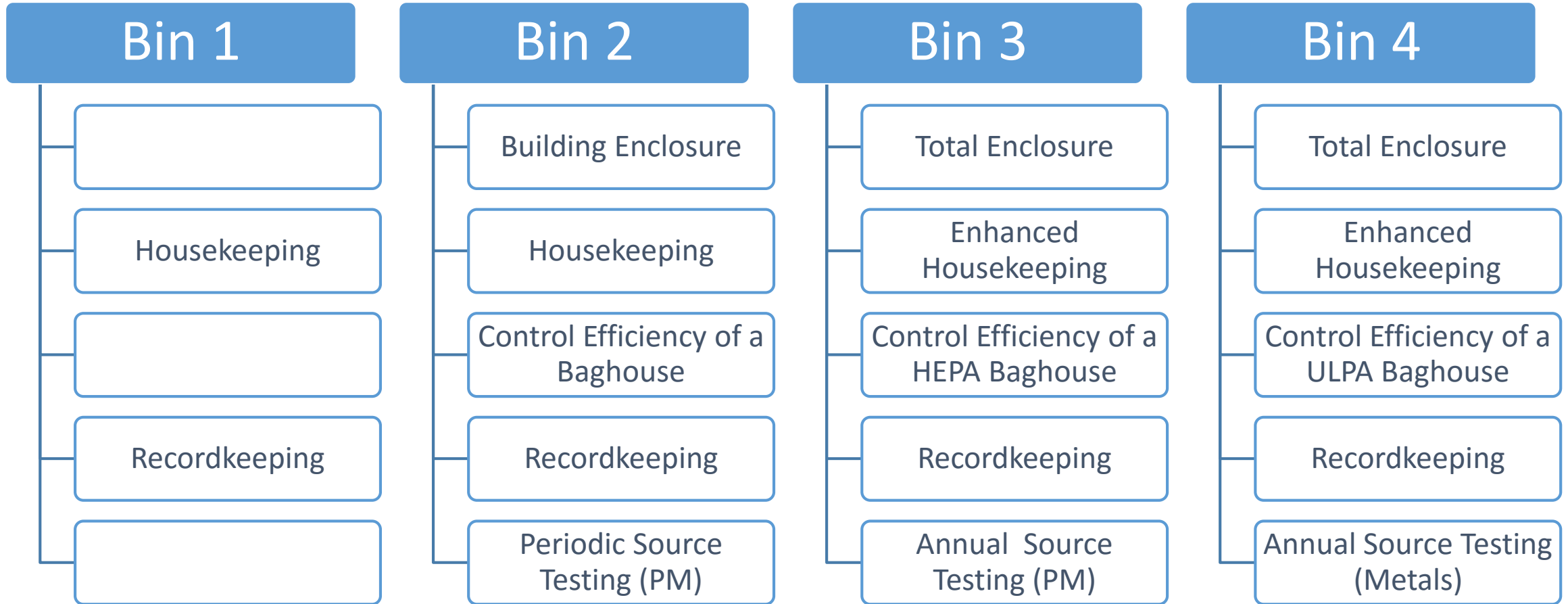
- Create bins based on alloys processed and annual production
  - Bins will determine levels of housekeeping, enclosures, point source requirements, and source test frequency
  - Low chromium alloys and high chromium alloys will be in different bins
  - High annual production facilities and low annual production facilities will be in different bins
- Bins will be established based on cancer screening risk values (Table 1.1 of Permit Application Package “M” used for SCAQMD Risk Assessment Procedures)
- Facilities that produce both high and low chromium alloys would be categorized in the higher bins

# Determining a Facility's Bin

- Step 1
  - Facilities segregated by chromium content in alloys
    - Schedule A – Facilities exclusively melting low chromium alloys (alloys with chromium content  $\leq 1\%$ )
    - Schedule B – All other facilities
- Step 2
  - Determine annual production to establish bin (numbers are examples)

Bin	Cancer Screening Risk	Schedule A ( $\leq 1\%$ chromium) (tons/year)	Schedule B ( $\geq 1\%$ chromium) (tons/year)
Exempt	$< 1 \times 10^{-6}$	300	0.4
1	$10 \times 10^{-6}$	3,000	4
2	$25 \times 10^{-6}$	7,400	10
3	$100 \times 10^{-6}$	29,600	40
4	$> 100 \times 10^{-6}$	$> 29,600$	$> 40$

# Possible Requirements for Bins



# Determination of Bins

- Step 1 – Determined emission rate for each toxic air contaminant for low chromium alloy and high chromium alloy
- Step 2 – Correlate emission rate with cancer screening risk and toxic air contaminant that is the risk driver
- Step 3 – Calculate tons of risk driver processed to reach cancer screening risk thresholds

# Possible Level for Health Risk Threshold

- Considering a cancer screening risk value of  $10 \times 10^{-6}$ , meteorology, and closest receptor distance
  - Table 1.1 of Permit Application Package “M” used for SCAQMD Risk Assessment Procedures
- Annual limits for worst case meteorology and closest receptor at 100 m

Toxic Air Contaminant	Arsenic	Cadmium	Hexavalent Chromium	Nickel
Annual Limit (lbs)	0.0301	0.234	0.00431	3.9

- Average distances for residents are 100 meters
- Considering 10 in a million – remaining health risk will be attributed to fugitive emissions
- These are initial concepts – seeking input

# Example #1 – Uncontrolled Aluminum Furnace (Schedule A)

## Step 1: Determination of Average Emission Rate

Run Number	Amount Processed (lbs)	Amount Processed (tons)	Source Test Results (lbs)				
			Arsenic	Cadmium	Chromium	Hexavalent Chromium	Nickel
1	57,280	28.64	0.000348	0.000260	0.000920	0.000030	0.000252
2	55,320	27.66	0.000220	0.000148	0.000248	0.000030	0.000372
3	55,500	27.75	0.000320	0.001360	0.000296	0.000052	0.000204
<b>Average</b>	<b>56,033</b>	<b>28.01</b>	<b>0.000296</b>	<b>0.000589</b>	<b>0.000488</b>	<b>0.000037</b>	<b>0.000276</b>
<b>Average Emission Rate (lb/ton processed)</b>			<b>0.000011</b>	<b>0.000021</b>	<b>0.000017</b>	<b>0.000001</b>	<b>0.000001</b>

# Example #1

## Step 2: Cancer Screening Risk Level and Determination of Risk Driver

Toxic Air Contaminant	Arsenic	Cadmium	Chromium	Hexavalent Chromium	Nickel
Screening Emission Levels* (lbs/year)	0.0301	0.23	NA	0.00431	3.86
Emission Rate (lb/ton processed)	0.000011	0.000021	0.000017	0.000001	0.000001
Tons of Alloy before Screening Emission Level Exceeded**	2,736	11,142	NA	4,310	3,860,000

- Risk driver is toxic air contaminant that will exceed Screening Emission Level with least amount of metal processed

\* Cancer risk at ten in a million ( $10 \times 10^{-6}$ ), worst case meteorology, resident at 100 m

\*\* Tons of Alloy = Screening Emission Level/Emission Rate



# Example #1

Step 3: Calculate Tons Processed to Exceed Threshold

Bin	Cancer Screen Risk	Tons Processed (tons/year)
Exempt	$< 1 \times 10^{-6}$	300
1	$10 \times 10^{-6}$	3,000
2	$25 \times 10^{-6}$	7,400
3	$100 \times 10^{-6}$	29,600
4	$> 100 \times 10^{-6}$	$> 29,600$

# Point-Source Emission Rate Approach

- Seeking input on approach
- Expected that facilities with higher annual production and those with higher levels of chromium would be placed in higher bins (Bins 3 or 4)
  - More source tests needed to confirm
  - More examples will be provided



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# Schedule

- Site Visits Ongoing
- Source Tests TBD
- Additional Working Groups TBD
- Public Workshop June 2018
- Set Hearing July 6, 2018
- Stationary Source Committee July 20, 2018
- Public Hearing September 7, 2018



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