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National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Chemical Recovery Combustion Sources at Kraft, Soda, Sulfite, and Stand-Alone Semichemical Pulp Mills

This action finalizes the residual risk and technology review conducted for the chemical recovery combustion sources at kraft, soda, sulfite, and standalone semichemical pulp mills regulated under the national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants. EPA is finalizing its proposed determination that risks from the source category are acceptable and that the standards provide an ample margin of safety to protect public health. We are also finalizing amendments to the NESHAP based on developments in practices, processes, and control technologies identified as part of the technology review. These final amendments include revisions to the opacity monitoring provisions and the addition of requirements to maintain proper operation of the electrostatic precipitator automatic voltage control. Additional amendments are also being finalized including the requirement to conduct five-year periodic emissions testing, and submit electronic reports; revisions to provisions addressing periods of startup, shutdown, and malfunction; and technical and editorial changes. These amendments are made under the authority of the Clean Air Act (CAA) and



will improve the effectiveness of the rule. For further information, contact: Dr. Kelley Spence at 919-541-3758 or spence.kelley@epa.gov.

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Air Plan Approval: South Carolina; Standards for Volatile Organic Compounds and Oxides of Nitrogen

Due to the receipt of an adverse comment, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is withdrawing a portion of the August 16, 2017, direct final rule that approved changes to South Carolina's state implementation plan related to the regulation of volatile organic compounds and oxides of nitrogen. EPA addressed the comment in a separate final action based upon the proposed rulemaking action, published on August 16, 2017. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action. For further information, contact: Brad Akers, at akers.brad@epa.gov.



Air Plan Approval; Florida; Stationary Sources Emissions Monitoring

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved a portion of a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of Florida, through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) on February 1, 2017, for the purpose of revising Florida's requirements and procedures for emissions monitoring at stationary sources. Florida's February 1, 2017, SIP submittal included amendments to three Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) rule sections, as well as the removal of one F.A.C. rule section from the Florida SIP in order to eliminate redundant language and make updates to the requirements for emissions monitoring at stationary sources. Additionally, this action included a correction to remove an additional F.A.C. rule that was previously approved for removal from the SIP in a separate action but was never removed. EPA acted on Florida's February 1, 2017, SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. This action was taken pursuant to the Clean Air Act. For further information, contact: Andres Febres at febres-martinez.andres@epa.gov.

Delaware's New Dry Cleaner Permits

Delaware Dept. of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's Division of Air Quality has overhauled the Perchloroethylene Dry Cleaner Source Category Permits. The permits were updated to clarify permit language and remove references to outdated technology no longer in use in Delaware. Additionally, facility size classifications have been removed and the previous permit variations are now consolidated into one dry cleaner permit. The requirement to accurately record the pounds cleaned per load is reinforced and is now more prominently stated in the new permit. Division staff enlisted the help of the Small Business Ombudsman to develop a fact sheet that is being distributed



along with the permit. In addition to explaining why the new permits were developed, the fact sheet contains a list of important things to remember and a list of the top non-compliance issues. Also being distributed is a hazardous waste management fact sheet developed specifically for dry cleaners. The new permits are being hand delivered to facilities and the hope is to have all 45 delivered by the middle of 2018. For more information about the Delaware Small Business Assistance Program, contact Michelle Jacobs, SBO, at michelle.jacobs@state.de.us or 302-739-9069.

ASBO News

<u>Office of Water (OW) Small Entity Webinar and Public Hearing</u>: ASBO facilitated a small entity outreach meeting on behalf of EPA's Office of Water (OW). The September 19, 2017 outreach webinar was held for small entities for the pre-proposal rulemaking on Waters of the U.S. There were approximately 140 participants. Mike Shapiro, Acting Assistant Administrator for OW, provided welcoming remarks, followed by OW's Mindy Eisenberg who provided a brief background presentation. ASBO then facilitated the oral input provided by the small entity participants. ASBO will also host and facilitate an in-person public meeting for small entities at EPA Headquarters on Monday, October 23, 2017. To see a list of additional OW public meetings, visit <u>https://www.epa.gov/wotus-rule/outreach-meetings#sched</u>

National Ombudsman Hearing: ASBO is coordinating Agency responses to written concerns submitted to the Office of the National Ombudsman during the August 28, 2017 National Ombudsman Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Hearing. The responses are due to the Office of the National Ombudsman on October 23, 2017.



SUBJECT: Notice of Extension to Comment Period on the Request for Public Comments to be Sent to EPA on Peer Review Materials to inform the Safe Drinking Water Act Decision Making on Perchlorate

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SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is extending the comment period for the notice, "Request for Public Comments To Be Sent to EPA on Peer Review Materials To Inform the Safe Drinking Water Act Decision Making on Perchlorate." In response to stakeholder requests, EPA is extending the comment period for the "Draft Report: Proposed Approaches to Inform the Derivation of a Maximum Contaminant Level Goal for Perchlorate in Drinking Water" (draft MCLG Approaches Report)" an additional 21 days, from October 30, 2017, to November 20, 2017.

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EPA FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICES

SUBJECT: Air Plan Approval; KY; Miscellaneous Source Specific Revisions for Jefferson County

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SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is taking final action to approve revisions to the Kentucky State Implementation Plan (SIP), submitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, through the Kentucky Division for Air Quality (KDAQ), on March 21, 2011, October 29, 2013, October 28, 2016, and March 24, 2017. The revisions were submitted by KDAQ on behalf of the Louisville Metro Air Pollution Control District, which has jurisdiction over Jefferson County, Kentucky. The revisions include changes to Jefferson County Regulations regarding Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for two major sources of nitrogen oxides (NOx) and the removal of a volatile organic compounds (VOC) bubble rule.

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