

without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this action rule, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

For additional information, see the direct final rule which is located in the Rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Dated: August 16, 2002.

Robert W. Varney,

Regional Administrator, EPA New England.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[PA-172-4194b; FRL-7271-5]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Revision to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) Addressing Sulfur Dioxide in Philadelphia County

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA proposes to approve the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The revision consists of Operating Permits which modify the sulfur dioxide (SO₂) allowable emissions at four facilities in Philadelphia County. The four facilities are Trigen-Philadelphia Energy Corporation, Schuylkill Station, Grays Ferry Cogeneration Partnership, PECO Energy Company, Schuylkill Generating Station, and Sunoco, Inc. (R&M) Philadelphia Refinery. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's SIP submittal as a direct final rule without

prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A more detailed description of the state submittal and EPA's evaluation are included in a Technical Support Document (TSD) prepared in support of this rulemaking action. A copy of the TSD is available, upon request, from the EPA Regional Office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document. If no adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing by October 9, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to David L. Arnold, Chief, Air Quality Planning and Information Services Branch, Mailcode 3AP21, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103. Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Air Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103; the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources Bureau of Air Quality Control, P.O. Box 8468, 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105; and the Department of Public Health, Air Management Services, 321 University Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Denis Lohman, (215) 814-2192, or Ellen Wentworth, (215) 814-2034, or by e-mail at lohman.denny@epa.gov or wentworth.ellen@epa.gov. Please note that while questions may be posed via telephone and e-mail, formal comments must be submitted in writing, as indicated in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For further information, please see the information provided in the direct final action, pertaining to SO₂ in Philadelphia County, that is located in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register** publication. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt

as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

Dated: August 16, 2002.

Donald S. Welsh,

Regional Administrator, Region III.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 86, 90, 1045, 1051, 1065, and 1068

[AMS-FRL-7373-2]

RIN 2060-AJ90

Control of Emissions from Spark-Ignition Marine Vessels and Highway Motorcycles; Correction

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; change of hearing date.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency published in the **Federal Register** of August 14, 2002 a document concerning new emission standards for spark-ignition marine vessels and highway motorcycles. This notice changes the hearing date for issues relating to marine vessels and corrects the preamble to reflect the correct hearing dates.

DATES: We will hold a public hearing on September 17, 2002 starting at 9:30 a.m. EDT. This hearing will focus on issues related to highway motorcycles. In addition, we will hold a public hearing on October 7, 2002 starting at 11:00 a.m. EDT. This hearing will focus on issues related to marine vessels. If you want to testify, notify the contact person listed below at least ten days before the hearing.

ADDRESSES: We will hold a public hearing for issues related to highway motorcycles on September 17, 2002 at the Ypsilanti Marriott at Eagle Crest, Ypsilanti, Michigan (734-487-2000). We will hold a public hearing for issues related to marine vessels on October 7, 2002 at the National Vehicle and Fuel Emissions Laboratory, 2000 Traverwood Dr., Ann Arbor, Michigan (734-214-4334).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Margaret Borushko, U.S. EPA, National Vehicle and Fuel Emissions Laboratory, 2000 Traverwood, Ann Arbor, MI 48105; Telephone (734) 214-4334; e-mail: borushko.margaret@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA published a document in the **Federal**

Register of August 14, 2002 (67 FR 53050). That document proposed new emission standards for spark-ignition marine vessels and highway motorcycles. In Section VII (page 53092, second column) the information about the public hearing on July 16, 2002 in Dulles, VA for issues related to highway motorcycles should state September 17, 2002 in Ypsilanti, MI. This is consistent with the information published in the original document under **DATES**. In the following sentence, the information about the public hearing on July 18, 2002 in Ann Arbor, MI for issues related to marine vessels should state October 7, 2002 in Ann Arbor, MI. This is consistent with the revised hearing date above under **DATES**.

Dated: August 30, 2002.

Robert Brenner,

Acting Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 194

[FRL 7373-1]

RIN 2060-AJ07

Opportunity to Present Oral Testimony on the Agency's Proposed Alternative Provisions to the Compliance Criteria for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP); Notice of Public Hearings

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of Public Hearings.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA," or "the Agency" or "we") is proposing to revise the "Criteria for the Certification and Recertification of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant's Compliance with the Disposal Regulations," which are used to determine whether the Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant ("WIPP") will comply with EPA's "Environmental Radiation Protection Standards for Management and Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel, High-Level and Transuranic Radioactive Wastes." The proposed revisions are as follows: addition of a mechanism to address minor changes to the provisions of the Compliance Criteria; changes to the approval process for waste characterization programs at Department of Energy transuranic sites; changes to allow for the submission of copies of compliance applications and reference materials in alternative format;

and replacement of the term "process knowledge" with "acceptable knowledge." The proposed changes do not lessen the requirements for complying with the Compliance Criteria. Moreover, these changes will have no effect on the technical approach that EPA employs when conducting independent inspections of the waste characterization capabilities at DOE waste generator sites. EPA is conducting this proposed action in accordance with the procedures for substituting alternative provisions of the Compliance Criteria.

The official proposed rule, entitled "40 CFR Part 194—Criteria for the Certification and Recertification of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant's Compliance with the Disposal Regulations; Alternative Provisions," was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 51930-51946) on August 9, 2002. The 120-day comment period for this action will conclude on December 9, 2002.

DATES: EPA will conduct public hearings to receive comments on the proposed revisions to the WIPP Compliance Criteria in Albuquerque, NM on September 24, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.; and in Santa Fe, NM from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. For further information on registration and hearing procedures, please refer to **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: EPA's public hearings to accept comments on proposed revisions to the WIPP Compliance Criteria will be held on September 24, at the Albuquerque Convention Center, Picuris Room, 401 Second Street, NW., Albuquerque, NM; and on September 25, at the Hilton Hotel, Mesa A Room, 100 Sandoval Street, Santa Fe, NM.

Information on EPA's radioactive waste compliance criteria (40 CFR part 194), and other WIPP-related activities (including the proposed revisions and recertification) is listed under Dockets No. A-92-56, and A-98-49, respectively, and is available for review at the following three EPA WIPP docket locations in New Mexico: in Carlsbad at the Municipal Library, Hours: Mon-Thu, 10-9, Fri-Sat, 10-6, and Sun 1-5; in Albuquerque at the Government Publications Department, Zimmerman Library, University of New Mexico, Hours: Mon-Thu, 8-9, Fri, 8-5, Sat-Sun, 1-5; in Santa Fe at the New Mexico State Library (A-98-49 only), Hours: Mon-Fri, 9-5; and in Santa Fe at the Fogelson Library, College of Santa Fe (A-93-02 only), Hours: Mon-Thu, 8-Midnight, Fri, 8-5, Sat, 9-5, and Sun, 1-9. For purposes of judicial review, EPA's official docket for all rulemaking

activities under the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Land Withdrawal Act, as amended, is located in Washington, DC in the Air Docket, EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Mail Code 6102T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460.

In addition, the proposed rule and related documents may also be obtained online through EPA's new electronic docketing system, EDOCKET, which is available on the world wide web (<http://www.epa.gov/edocket>). The EDOCKET No. for this action is OAR-2002-0005. Interested parties can also view and obtain these documents through EPA's WIPP Web site (<http://www.epa.gov/radiation/wipp>) or call EPA's 24-hour toll-free WIPP Information Line, 1-800-331-WIPP for general information about the proposed revisions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rafaela Ferguson, Office of Radiation and Indoor Air, (202) 564-9362 or call EPA's EPA's contractor-operated, toll-free number 1-800-275-2209, Monday thru Friday between 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Waste Isolation Pilot Plant ("WIPP") is a disposal system for transuranic radioactive waste. Developed by the Department of Energy ("DOE" or "the Department"), the WIPP is located near Carlsbad in southeastern New Mexico. Transuranic (TRU) wastes are emplaced 2,150 feet underground in an ancient layer of salt which will eventually "creep" and encapsulate waste containers. The WIPP has a total capacity of 6.2 million cubic feet of TRU waste. Congress authorized the development and construction of the WIPP in 1980.

The WIPP is the nation's first deep geological repository for the disposal of TRU waste generated by defense activities associated with nuclear weapons; no high level waste or spent nuclear fuel from the commercial power plants may be disposed at the WIPP. TRU waste is defined as material containing alpha-emitting radioisotopes, with half lives greater than twenty years and atomic numbers above 92, in concentrations greater than 100 nanocuries per gram of wastes.

Most TRU waste proposed for disposal at WIPP consists of items that have become contaminated as a result of activities associated with the production of nuclear weapons (or with the clean-up of weapons production facilities), e.g., rags, equipment, tools, protective gear, and organic and inorganic sludges. The waste proposed for disposal at WIPP is currently stored at Federal facilities across the United States,