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Todd Parfitt, Director



Memorandum

To:

Dr. David Bagley, Chairman, Environmental Quality Council

From:

Todd Parfitt, Director, Department of Environmental Quality

Date:

January 15, 2016

Subject:

Proposed Rulemaking Package (R-26)

The Air Quality Division of the Department of Environmental Quality is proposing revisions to Chapter 1, General Provisions, of the Rules of Practice and Procedure. The Division is requesting the Environmental Quality Council to review the proposal and to consider adoption of these rules when you meet in Cheyenne, Wyoming on March 2, 2016.

The proposed revisions consist of the addition of Section 16, titled Air Quality Division, State Implementation Plan, to Chapter 1. The proposed addition ensures that the Environmental Quality Council remains in compliance with Section 128 of the Clean Air Act. Upon promulgation, this rule revision will be submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency for inclusion in the Wyoming State Implementation Plan. This revision will not impact any of DEQ's other Divisions.

The Division issued a notice for public comment on this set of revisions prior to the October 28, 2015 Air Quality Advisory Board meeting, with the public comment period running from September 25, 2015 to October 28, 2015. At the October 28, 2015 meeting, the AQAB recommended that the rules proceed to a formal rulemaking before the Environmental Quality Council.

We have prepared rule packages for the Council, including the public notice and the transcript from the October 28, 2015 AQAB Meeting, which summarize the nature of the changes.

This rule package contains the following attachments:

- 1) Public Notice for the October 28, 2015 AQAB Meeting (2 copies)
- 2) Statement of Principal Reasons (2 copies)
- 3) October 28, 2015 AQAB Meeting Minutes (2 copies)
- 4) Chapter 1, General Provisions, Strike and Underline Version (draft September 25, 2015) (2 copies)
- 5) Chapter 1, General Provisions, Clean Format (2 copies)
- 6) Permission to Proceed Memo Signed January 8, 2016 (2 copies)
- 7) Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules (2 copies)

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