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Notice of Proposed Rulemaking By The Environmental Quality Council

The Environmental Quality Council (EQC) will consider proposed changes to the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (WDEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD) Standards and Regulations (WAQSR) at a public hearing to be held on October 8, 2014 in Conference Room 1699, Herschler Building, 122 West 25th St., Cheyenne, Wyoming commencing at 10:00 A.M.

The AQD, will present the proposed rulemaking to the EQC. The proposed rulemaking will involve revising Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations Chapter 3, General Emission Standards; Chapter 5, National Emission Standards; Chapter 6, Permitting Requirements; Chapter 7, Monitoring Regulations; and Chapter 11, National Acid Rain Program. Chapter 3, Section 9, Incorporation by reference, is being revised as part of the annual effort to adopt changes to the federal definition of VOCs, bringing the version up to date as of July 1, 2013. Revisions to Chapter 5, Section 2, New source performance standards, and Section 3, National emission standards for hazardous air pollutants, are being proposed to reflect changes in the federal versions of these rules. Chapter 6, Permitting Requirements, Section 3, Operating permits, Section 4, Prevention of significant deterioration, and Chapter 7, Monitoring Regulations, Section 3, Compliance assurance monitoring (CAM), are being revised to update a citation to a Federal Register article under the definition of "tpy CO₂ equivalent emissions (CO₂e)." Section 4 of Chapter 6 is also being updated to specifically list a new minor source baseline date for fine particulate. Section 9 of Chapter 3; Section 4 of Chapter 5; and Section 14 of Chapter 6 are all Incorporation by reference sections, and are being updated to adopt by reference from the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) as of July 1. 2013. These sections have also been revised to include the location on the internet of the incorporated matter as defined in W.S. 9-2-1035(a)(iii). Chapter 11, Section 2, Acid rain program, is an annual update to portions of the State Air Regulations which are adopted verbatim by reference from the CFR and also includes the location on the internet of the incorporated matter as defined in W.S. 9-2-1035(a)(iii). Chapter 3, Section 9; and Chapter 6, Sections 4 and 14, involve changes to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to satisfy Clean Air Act Sections 110 and 166. The AQD will submit these SIP changes to the EPA.

The notice for submitting written comments on the WDEQ/AQD proposed revisions was first published on August 11, 2014. The written comment period will close on September 24, 2014. Written comments will also become a part of the public record. Comments should include the name and address of the commenter to assist the AQD in identifing commenters in the Response To Comments. Comments shall be submitted to Administrator, WDEQ/AQD, Herschler Building 2-E, 122 W. 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 82002, or faxed to 307-777-5616. Copies of the public notice, Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules, and the proposed rules are available for public inspection at the Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division, Herschler Building, 2nd Floor, 122 W. 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Electronic copies are available at http://deq.state.wy.us/aqd/index.asp and the EQC website stated below. If you have questions regarding the proposed rules, contact Jeni Cederle, Air Quality Division, at 307-777-7740.

The AQD will file an Analysis of Comments prior to the public hearing. The EQC has scheduled the public hearing on October 8, 2014. The EQC will consider the proposed rules, written comments, and the analysis of comments, along with any modifications proposed by the WDEQ/AQD to the draft rules. At the public hearing, oral statements that focus on the written comments, the DEQ's analysis of comments and issues raised by the analysis will be accepted. The entire record and the comments submitted during the comment period can be viewed at the EQC website: https://eqc.wyo.gov/Public/Dockets.aspx under the link titled "14-2101".

Any person wishing to use a digital presentation during their testimony before the EQC must provide a digital copy to the EQC no less than 3 days prior to the hearing unless you contact the EQC and request an extension for good cause. Failure to submit a digital copy in a timely manner will result in the person not being allowed to use the presentation during their testimony.

The EQC may convene a meeting to deliberate and make a decision on these rules at the end of the hearing. The EQC also has the option to extend the public comment period on these rules. If the comment period is extended, the extension will be posted on the Air Quality website as well as the above stated website for the Environmental Quality Council.

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