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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Wendy Hutchinson, Chairman, Environmental Quality Council

FROM:

Dennis Hemmer, Director, Wyoming Department of Environmental

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DATE:

August 7, 200

SUBJECT:

Proposed New and Revised Regulations to the Wyoming Air Quality

Standards and Regulations (WAQS&R)

PRIORITY:

Normal

SUMMARY:

Request for public hearing

Notice of agency rulemaking. Department of Environmental Quality (DEO), Air Quality Division (AQD) is proposing the following revisions:

Chapter 1, Common Provisions, Section 3, Definitions.

Chapter 2, Ambient Standards, Section 6, Ambient standards for ozone. Chapter 3, General Emission Standards, Section 2, Emission standards for particulate, and Section 6 Emission standards for VOCs.

Chapter 5, National Emission Standards, Section 2, New source

performance standards and Section 3, National emission standards

for hazardous air pollutants.

Chapter 11, National Acid Rain Program, Section 2, Acid rain program.

Chapter 1 is being revised to add definitions and a new list of acronyms to the regulations. Changes to Chapter 2 will incorporate a re-instated Federal 1-hour ozone standard into State rule. Chapter 3, Section 2 is being modified to remove outdated language relating to opacity readings of steam plumes; Section 6 is being changed to incorporate the most recent definition of volatile

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organic compounds by reference to the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Chapter 5 and Chapter 11 are also being modified to incorporate recent changes to the Code of Federal Regulations into State rule by reference. Incorporation by reference is an annual effort.

Revisions to Chapter 1,2,3,5, and 11 were brought before the Air Quality Advisory Board at a public meeting in Casper, Wyoming on June 5, 2001. The Air Quality Advisory Board recommended adoption of all proposed changes.

We are asking that the Environmental Quality Council schedule a public hearing for proposed rule changes. Provided that there are no significant objections raised during the hearing, we further request that the Council close the public comment period at the end of the hearing and make a decision on these matters.