



Department of Environmental Quality

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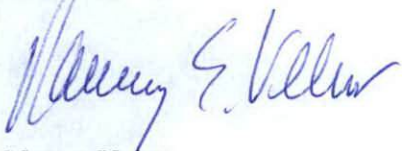
RE: Response to Environmental Defense Fund and Wyoming Outdoor Council's Comments on Wyoming's Proposed Revisions to Chapter 2, Sections 6 and 12, Ambient Standards, Chapter 3, Sections 3 and 9, General Emission Standards, Chapter 4, Section 6, State Performance Standards for Specific Existing Sources, Chapter 5, Sections 2 and 4, National Emission Standards, Chapter 6, Sections 3 and 14, Permitting Requirements, Chapter 7, Section 3, Monitoring Regulations, Chapter 8, Section 10, Nonattainment Area Regulations, and Chapter 11, Section 2, National Acid Rain Program of the Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations (R-27)

Dear Wyoming Outdoor Council and Environmental Defense Fund:

Thank you for submitting your comment regarding the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) – Air Quality Division's (Division) proposed rulemaking package (R-27), which includes proposed revisions that incorporate by reference the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) New Source Performance Standards (NSPS), Subpart OOOOa, from the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) into the Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations (WAQSR). The Division appreciates the time and resources committed by Wyoming Outdoor Council (WOC) and Environmental Defense Fund (EDF) in reviewing the proposed revisions and providing a written comment. The Division also appreciates the comments supporting the proposed incorporation by reference of OOOOa into the WAQSR, and the acknowledgement that Wyoming is "a leader in promulgating clean air measures for oil and gas facilities." The proposed rules will ensure that the State maintains primacy over these federal rule updates – including OOOOa – that would otherwise still apply to sources at the federal level.

A public hearing before the Environmental Quality Council is scheduled for 1:30 P.M. on November 17, 2016, in Room 1699 of the Herschler Building, 122 West 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Please feel free to contact me at 307-777-3746 if you have any questions regarding the proposed rulemaking.

Sincerely,



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