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## **Enclosure B:**

## Notice of Intent to Revise the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality: Meeting the Clean Air Act's Infrastructure Requirements for the 2012 Fine Particle NAAQS

The Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) hereby gives notice of his intent to amend the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to address sections 110(a)(1) and (2) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) with respect to the 2012 fine particle (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS). The CAA section 110(a)(1) and (2) requirements, which are referred to as infrastructure requirements, provide that a state must demonstrate its ability to implement, maintain and enforce a revised NAAQS. The SIP revisions will be submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for review and approval.

This SIP revision includes two new submissions Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) section 22a-174-1(19) and RCSA section 22a-174-36. The submission of RCSA section 22a-174-1(19) is a definition to support the previously submitted Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) section 22a-174(f). RCSA section 22a-174-36 is the Low Emissions Vehicle III. Both of these regulations are elements of Connecticut's infrastructure for PM<sub>2.5</sub>.

The authority to adopt this SIP revision is granted by sections 22a-5 and 22a-174 of the Connecticut General Statutes. This notice is required pursuant to 40 Code of Federal Regulations 51.102.

A copy of the proposed SIP revision is available for public inspection during normal business hours at DEEP's Bureau of Air Management, Planning and Standards Division, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT. The SIP revision is also posted on DEEP's website at the following location: http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2684&g=322164&deepNay GID=1619

All interested persons are invited to comment on the proposed request. Comments should be submitted no later than 5:00 PM on December 7, 2015 via electronic mail to <a href="Mailto-Kathleen.knight@ct.gov">Kathleen.knight@ct.gov</a>; via facsimile to 860-706-5339; or via postal carrier to DEEP, Bureau of Air Management, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-4064.

In accordance with 40 CFR 51.102, DEEP will hold a hearing at the time and location set out below **only if a request for such a hearing is made on or before December 1, 2015 at 4:00 PM**.

PUBLIC HEARING December 7, 2015 at 1:00 PM

Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Holcombe Room 79 Elm Street Hartford, CT 06106 A request to hold the hearing identified above may be made by any person by electronic mail to <a href="Kathleen.knight@ct.gov">Kathleen.knight@ct.gov</a> or by telephone (860-424-3823). Such a request must be made by 4:00 PM on December 1, 2015. If no request for a hearing is received on or before that date, the hearing will be cancelled. Information on the status of the hearing will be posted on DEEP's website <a href="http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/browse.asp?a=2586&deepNav\_GID=1511">http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/browse.asp?a=2586&deepNav\_GID=1511</a> as of December 2, 2015.

Questions concerning the public hearing may be directed to 860-424-3823 or Kathleen.knight@ct.gov .

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Date

October 28, 2015

Michael Sullivan Deputy Commissioner

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