

Notice of Intent to Revise the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality

The Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) hereby gives notice of intent to amend the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to address section 110(a)(1) and (2) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) with respect to the 2010 1-hour sulfur dioxide (SO₂) national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS). DEEP is also proposing to incorporate the current version of section 16a-21a of the Connecticut General Statutes into the SIP to help maintain continued compliance with the 1-hour SO₂ NAAQS.

The SIP revisions will be submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for review and approval. 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 authority to adopt these SIP revisions 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.

All interested persons are invited to comment on the proposal. Comments should be submitted no later than 4:30 PM on May 1, 2013 to Michael Geigert, DEEP, Bureau of Air Management, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106-5127. Comments may be submitted by post, facsimile to (860) 706-5339 or by electronic mail to michael.geigert@ct.gov.

In addition to accepting written comments, DEEP will also hold the public hearing at the time and location described below if a request for such a hearing is made on or before April 26, 2013. Any person giving oral comments at the hearing will be asked to submit a written copy of such comments.

PUBLIC HEARING

May 1, 2013

1:00 p.m.

DEEP, 5th Floor, Holcombe Room
79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106

A request for hearing may be made by any individual by telephone (860-424-3026) or electronic mail (michael.geigert@ct.gov). Such a request must be made by 4:30 PM on April 26, 2013. If no request for a hearing is received by April 26, 2013, the hearing will be cancelled. Information on the status of the hearing will be posted on the Department's website at http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2684&Q=481006&deepNav_GID=1619 as of noon on April 29, 2013. Questions concerning the cancellation of the public hearing may be directed to Michael Geigert at 860-424-3026 or michael.geigert@ct.gov.

Copies of the SIP revisions are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Bureau of Air Management, 5th Floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT. The same documents are posted on DEEP's website at:

http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2684&Q=481006&deepNav_GID=1619

For further information, contact Michael Geigert of the Bureau of Air Management at (860) 424-3026 or by electronic mail at michael.geigert@ct.gov.

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03/25/2013
Date

Macky McCleary
Deputy Commissioner