
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

**Notice of Intent to Amend the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies
and to Revise the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality**

The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection hereby gives notice of a public hearing as part of a proceeding to amend section 22a-174-20(s) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA) to establish new and enhance existing reasonably available control technology (RACT) requirements for miscellaneous metal and plastic parts coating activities. EPA established a new RACT level

of control for miscellaneous metal and plastic parts coating in control techniques guideline (CTG) issued in 2008 [73 FR 58481].

This proposal amends RCSA section 22a-174-20(s) to update existing requirements for metal parts coating operations with lower volatile organic compound (VOC) content requirements for coatings and work practices designed to reduce VOC emissions. The proposal also adds new requirements, including VOC content limits and work practices, applicable to plastic parts coating operations.

The volatile organic compound (VOC) reductions associated with the RACT update portion of this proposal will assist Connecticut to attain and maintain the federal ozone national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) and serve as directionally correct measures with respect to Connecticut's attainment and maintenance of the fine particulate matter NAAQS. Once adopted, this proposal will be submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for review and approval as a revision to the State Implementation Plan for air quality.

All interested persons are invited to submit comment to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), Bureau of Air Management, Engineering & Enforcement Division, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106-5127. All comments should be directed to the attention of Robin Baena and must be received by 5:00 PM on 9 November 2011. Comments may be submitted by post, facsimile to (860) 424-4064 or by electronic mail to robin.baena@ct.gov.

In addition to accepting written comments, DEEP will also hold the public hearing described below. The Commissioner requests that any person giving oral comment at the hearing also submit a written copy of such comments.

PUBLIC HEARING
9 November 2011 at 11 AM
Department of Environmental Protection, 5th Floor, Holcombe Room
79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT

Copies of the proposal are available for public inspection during normal business hours and may be obtained from Sharon Rowe-Johnson at the Bureau of Air Management, Engineering & Enforcement Division, 5th Floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut. The same documents are posted on DEEP's website at the following location:

http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?a=2684&q=331220&depNav_GID=1619

For further information, contact Robin Baena of the Bureau of Air Management at (860) 424-4152 or by electronic mail to robin.baena@ct.gov.

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The authority to adopt this proposal is granted by sections 22a-6 and 22a-174 of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS). This notice is required pursuant to CGS sections 22a-6 and 4-168 and 40 Code of Federal Regulations 51.102.

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Commissioner