



Notice of Intent to Amend an Air Quality Regulation and to Revise the State Implementation Plan and the State Plan for Municipal Waste Combustors

In accordance with the provisions of section 4-168(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), the Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) hereby gives notice of a proposal to amend one section of the air quality regulations, namely section 22a-174-38 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA). The authority to adopt the proposal is granted by CGS sections 22a-6 and 22a-174. This notice is required pursuant to CGS section 4-168, and 40 Code of Federal Regulations 51.102.

This amendment will be submitted to the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a revision to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) and as a revision to the State Plan for Municipal Waste Combustors (MWCs).

Description.

DEEP is proposing an amendment to RCSA section 22a-174-38 to add three new requirements:

- A more stringent NO_x emission limit for mass burn waterwall MWCs. The lower NO_x limit is necessary to comply with an ozone nonattainment requirement of the EPA under which DEEP must certify that major sources of NO_x emissions in the state, such as the MWCs, are held to standards consistent with the use of reasonably available control technology (RACT).
- A new ammonia emission limit of 20 ppmvd @ 7%O₂ on units controlled by selective non-catalytic reduction (SNCR) systems. The new ammonia emission limit is necessary because of the potential increase in ammonia emissions that may result from the use of the SNCR system to meet the more stringent NO_x emission limit.
- A requirement to demonstrate compliance with the new ammonia emission limit by either continuous emission monitoring (CEM) or annual stack testing.

Written comments.

Interested persons are invited to comment on the proposal. Comments should be submitted no later than 5 pm on Friday, February 26, 2016 to Paula Gomez, DEEP, Bureau of Air Management, Engineering and Enforcement, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106-5127. Comments may be submitted by U.S. Mail or by electronic mail to paula.gomez@ct.gov.

Public hearing. In addition to accepting written comments, DEEP will also hold the public hearing described below. Any person giving oral comment at the hearing will be asked to submit a written copy of such comments.

PUBLIC HEARING
Wednesday, February 24, 2016
1:30 pm
DEEP, 5th Floor, Holcombe Room
79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT

The proposal described above, fiscal impact analysis, small business impact analysis and a statement required by section 22a-6(h) of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS) are available for public inspection during normal business hours from Paula Gomez at the Bureau of Air Management, Engineering and Enforcement, 5th Floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT. The same documents are posted on DEEP's website. For further information, contact Paula Gomez of the Bureau of Air Management at (860) 424-3088 or by electronic mail to paula.gomez@ct.gov.

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1/19/16
Date


Robert J. Klee
Commissioner