Notice of Intent to Revise the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality:
Meeting the Clean Air Act’s Ozone Transport Requirements for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS

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 sections 110(a)(1) and (2) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) with respect to the 2008 8-hour ozone 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.

This SIP revision supplements a previous revision dated December 28, 2012, by demonstrating that emissions from Connecticut sources do not contribute significantly to nonattainment in, or interfere with maintenance by, any other state with respect to the 2008 ozone NAAQS. The demonstration is based on DEEP’s technical analysis of recent measured ozone data, ozone transport modeling conducted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and DEEP’s review of emission trends and projections.

The authority to adopt this 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. The SIP revision will be submitted to the EPA for review and inclusion into Connecticut’s SIP.

A copy of the proposed SIP revision is available for public inspection during normal business hours from Paul Bodner at DEEP’s Bureau of Air Management, Planning and Standards Division, 5th Floor, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT. The SIP revision is also posted on DEEP’s website at the following location:

All interested persons are invited to comment on the proposed request. Comments should be submitted no later than 5:00 PM on June 5, 2015 to Paul Bodner via electronic mail to paul.bodner@ct.gov; via facsimile to 860-706-5339; or via postal carrier to DEEP, Bureau of Air Management, 5th 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 May 27, 2015 at 4:00 PM.

PUBLIC HEARING
June 4, 2015 at 1:00 PM
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, 5th Floor, Ensign 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 paul.bodner@ct.gov or by telephone (860-424-3383). Such a request must be made by 4:00 PM on May 27, 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 at http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/browse.asp?a=2586&deepNav_GID=1511 as of May 29, 2015. Questions concerning the public hearing may be directed to 860-424-3383 or paul.bodner@ct.gov.

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Michael Sullivan
Deputy Commissioner