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 2008 8-hour ozone and 2010 1-hour nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS). DEEP is also proposing to incorporate section 1-85 of the Connecticut General Statutes into the SIP to satisfy the conflict of interest provisions of CAA section 110(a)(2)(E). 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.

All interested persons are invited to comment on the proposal. Comments should be submitted no later than 4:30 PM on December 21, 2012 to Alison Rau, DEEP, Bureau of Air Management, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106-5127. Comments may be submitted by mail, facsimile to (860) 424-4063 or by electronic mail to alison-rau@ct.gov.

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
December 20, 2012
2:00 p.m.
DEEP, 5th Floor, Holcombe Room
79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106

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


For further information, contact Alison Rau of the Bureau of Air Management at (860) 424-3311 or by electronic mail to alison-rau@ct.gov.

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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.

11/16/2012
Date

/s/ Macky McCleary
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Deputy Commissioner