

extending that comment period an additional 45 days until January 12, 1995. Today's action extends that comment period an additional 19 days until January 31, 1995.

DATES: Comments must be received by January 31, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be mailed (in duplicate if possible) to: EPA Air Docket (LE-131), Attn: Docket No. A-93-50, room M-1500, Waterside Mall, 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Trutna (telephone 919/541-5345), mail drop 12, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Information Transfer and Program Integration Division, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Part 70 contains regulations requiring States to develop, and submit to EPA for approval, programs for issuing operating permits to major, and certain other, stationary sources of air pollution. The minimum elements of operating permits programs are contained in part 70 which was promulgated on July 21, 1992 (57 FR 32250).

Subsequent to promulgation of part 70, nearly 20 entities, including State and local governments, environmental groups, and industry associations, petitioned for judicial review of the part 70 regulations. One of the key aspects of the litigation and of an operating permits program is the system for revising permits to incorporate changes at permitted sources.

Because of the complexity of the proposed revisions, potential commenters asserted that the 90-day comment period provided was not long enough to prepare comprehensive comments on the permit revision system as well as all the other proposed revisions. The comment period was subsequently extended an additional 45 days to allow time for preparation of comments, primarily on how to fashion

a more workable permit revision system. Several requests for an additional extension of the comment period on the proposal notice have been received to allow completion of comment preparation. An additional 19 days is therefore being provided for development and submittal of comments.

Dated: December 28, 1994.

Mary Nichols,

Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.

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Clean Air Act Interim Approval of Operating Permits Program; City of Albuquerque/Bernalillo County

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA proposes interim approval of the Operating Permits Program submitted by the City of Albuquerque/Bernalillo County. The City of Albuquerque/Bernalillo County's Operating Permits Program was submitted for the purpose of complying with Federal requirements which mandate that States develop, and submit to EPA, programs for issuing operating permits to all major stationary sources, and to certain other sources. In the final rules section of this **Federal Register**, the EPA is promulgating interim approval of the City of Albuquerque/Bernalillo County's Operating Permits Program as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this submittal as noncontroversial and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this proposed rule, no

further activity is contemplated in relation to this rule. If the EPA receives adverse comments, then the direct final will be withdrawn and all public comments will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. The EPA will not institute a second comment period on this document. Any parties interested in commenting on this document should do so at this time.

DATES: Comments on this proposed action must be received in writing by February 9, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the City/County's submittal and other supporting information used in developing the final rule are available for inspection during normal business hours at the following locations. Interested persons wanting to examine these documents should make an appointment with the appropriate office at least 24 hours before visiting day.

Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, Air Programs Branch (6T-AN), 1445 Ross Avenue, suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733.

City of Albuquerque/Bernalillo County, Environmental Health Department, One Civic Plaza, NW., room 3023, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87103.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Adele D. Cardenas, New Source Review Section, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733, telephone (214) 665-7210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: See the information provided in the direct final rule of the same title which is located in the Rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401-76719.

Dated: December 23, 1994.

A. Stanley Meiburg,

Acting Regional Administrator (6A).

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