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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[PA105-4066b; FRL-5897-9]

#### Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania: General Conformity Rule

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA proposes to approve the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the purpose of establishing the requirements for determining conformity of general Federal actions to applicable air quality implementation plans (General Conformity). In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving Pennsylvania's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial SIP revision 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 If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

**DATES:** Comments must be received in writing by October 29, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be mailed to David L. Arnold, Chief, Ozone/CO & Mobile Sources Section, Mailcode 3AT21, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 841 Chestnut Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107. Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public

inspection during normal business hours at the EPA office listed above; and Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Rachel Carson State Office Building, P.O. Box 2063, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rose Quinto, (215) 566-2182, at the EPA Region III address.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** See the information provided in the Direct Final action of the same title (Pennsylvania General Conformity Rule) which is located in the Rules and Regulations Section of this **Federal Register**.

#### List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Incorporation by reference, Air pollution control.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.

Dated: September 16, 1997.

**W. Michael McCabe,**

*Regional Administrator, Region III.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[PA 103-21b; FRL-5898-4]

#### Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Approval of NO<sub>x</sub> RACT Determination for Panther Creek Energy Facility

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA proposes to approve the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the purpose of establishing nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) reasonably available control technology (RACT) for Panther Creek Energy Facility located in Carbon County, Pennsylvania. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the Commonwealth's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial SIP revision and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule and the accompanying technical

support document. If no adverse comments are received in response to this proposed rule, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this rule. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time. If adverse comments are received that do not pertain to all documents subject to this rulemaking action, those documents not affected by the adverse comments will be finalized in the manner described here. Only those documents that receive adverse comments will be withdrawn in the manner described here.

**DATES:** Comments must be received in writing by October 29, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on this action should be addressed to David Campbell, Air, Radiation, and Toxics Division, Mailcode 3AT22, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 841 Chestnut Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107. Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Air, Radiation, and Toxics Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 841 Chestnut Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107; and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Air Quality Control, P.O. Box 8468, 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kelly L. Bunker, (215) 566-2177, at the EPA Region III office or via e-mail at Bunker.Kelly@epamail.epa.gov. While information may be requested via e-mail, comments must be submitted in writing to the Region III address.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** See the information pertaining to this action, NO<sub>x</sub> RACT determination for one individual source located in Pennsylvania, provided in the Direct Final action of the same title which is located in the Rules and Regulations Section of this **Federal Register**.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.