

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**40 CFR Part 63**

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National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories: National Emission Standards for Off-Site Waste and Recovery Operations**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA is taking direct final action to amend the national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAP) for off-site waste and recovery operations (OSWRO) that the EPA promulgated on July 1, 1996, under authority of section 112 of the Clean Air Act (CAA). The rule applies to owners and operators of facilities that are major sources of hazardous air pollutants (HAP) and manage certain wastes, used oil, or used solvents received from off-site locations. We are proposing to amend specific provisions in the rule to resolve issues and questions raised after promulgation of the final rule; correct technical omissions; update specific requirements to be consistent with recent decisions made by the Agency for other related air rules; and correct typographical, printing, and grammatical errors.

In the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register** publication, we are amending the OSWRO NESHAP as a direct final rule without prior proposal because we view the amendments as noncontroversial and anticipate no adverse comment. We

have explained our reasons for the amendments in the preamble to the direct final rule. If we receive no adverse comment, we will not take further action on this proposed rule. If we receive adverse comment, we will withdraw the direct final rule and it will not take effect. We will address the comments in a subsequent final rule based on the proposed rule. We will not institute a second comment period on this action. Any parties interested in commenting must do so at this time.

DATES: Comments. Written comments must be received by August 19, 1999. Additionally, a public hearing regarding the proposed amendments will be held if anyone requesting to speak contacts the EPA by August 10, 1999. If a hearing is requested, the hearing will be held on August 19, 1999 beginning at 10:00 a.m., and the record on the hearing will remain open for 30 days after the hearing date to provide an opportunity for submittal of rebuttal and additional information.

ADDRESSES: Comments: Written comments (in duplicate, if possible) should be submitted to Docket No. A-92-16 at the following address: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center (6102), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460. We request that a separate copy of the comments also be sent to the contact person listed below.

Comments on this action also may be submitted electronically to the EPA's Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center at: "A-and-R-Docket@epamail.epa.gov." Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be accepted on disks in WordPerfect in 6.1

file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket number (A-92-16). No CBI should be submitted through electronic mail. Electronic comments may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

Public Hearing. If a public hearing is requested by the required date (see **DATES** section in this notice), the public hearing will be held at the EPA Office of Administration Auditorium, Research Triangle Park, NC. Persons interested in presenting oral testimony or inquiring as to whether a hearing is to be held should contact Ms. JoLynn Collins, Waste and Chemical Processes Group, Emission Standards Division (MD-13), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC, 27711, telephone number (919) 541-5671.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This document concerns proposed amendments to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Off-site Waste and Recovery Operations. For further information, please see the information provided in the direct final action that is located in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register** publication.

Dated: July 7, 1999.

Carol M. Browner,
Administrator.

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