

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**40 CFR Part 52**

[MD063-3023b; FRL-6379-5]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Fuel Burning Equipment**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA proposes to approve the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of Maryland for the purpose of amending the text of COMAR 26.11.06.05—Sulfur Compounds from Other than Fuel Burning Equipment. The technical amendment removes the term “fuel burning installations” and replaces it with “fuel burning equipment.” The intent of the regulation is to exempt fuel burning equipment (boilers) from the general provisions found in this regulation because these units are specifically regulated under COMAR 26.11.09—Control of Fuel Burning Equipment, Stationary Internal Combustion Engines and Certain Fuel Burning Installation. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State’s SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal 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 action, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule.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 August 19, 1999.**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to Makeba A. Morris, Chief, Technical Assessment Branch, Mailcode 3AP22, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103. Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Air Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103; Maryland Department of the

Environment, 2500 Broening Highway, Baltimore, Maryland, 21224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Artra B. Cooper, (215) 814-2096, at the EPA Region III address above, or by e-mail at cooper.artra@epamail.epa.gov.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** For further information, please see the information provided in the direct final action, with the same title, located in the “Rules and Regulations” section of this **Federal Register** publication.

Dated: July 8, 1999.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**40 CFR Part 442**

[FRL-6400-4]

Data Availability; Effluent Limitations Guidelines, Pretreatment Standards and New Source Performance Standards for the Transportation Equipment Cleaning Point Source Category**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Notice of data availability.

SUMMARY: On June 25, 1998 (63 FR 34685), EPA proposed technology-based effluent limitations guidelines, pretreatment standards, and new source performance standards for the discharge of pollutants into waters of the United States and into publicly owned treatment works (POTWs) by existing and new facilities that perform transportation equipment cleaning operations. Transportation equipment cleaning (TEC) facilities are defined as facilities that generate wastewater from cleaning the interior of tank trucks, closed-top hopper trucks, rail tank cars, closed-top hopper rail cars, intermodal tank containers, inland tank barges, closed-top hopper barges, ocean/sea tankers, and other similar tanks (excluding drums and intermediate bulk containers) used to transport materials or cargos that come into direct contact with the tank or container interior.

This notice presents a summary of data received in comments since the proposal and an assessment of the usefulness of the data in EPA’s analyses; presents new data collected by EPA to support effluent limitations in the Barge/Chemical & Petroleum Subcategory; presents a change from the mass-based limits format of the

proposal; presents a modified subcategorization approach; reviews technology options considered for regulation; and discusses other specific issues raised by commenters including: selection of pollutants proposed for regulation, the costs associated with the regulation, a low flow exclusion, and the applicability of the rule. EPA solicits public comment on any of the issues or information presented in this notice of data availability and in the administrative record supporting this notice.

DATES: Submit your comments by September 20, 1999.**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments to Mr. John Tinger at the following address: US EPA, Engineering and Analysis Division (4303), 401 M. St. SW, Washington, DC 20460.

The data and analyses being announced today are available for review in the EPA Water Docket at EPA Headquarters at Waterside Mall, Room EB-57, 401 M. St. SW, Washington, DC 20460. For access to the docket materials, call (202) 260-3027 between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for an appointment. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying.

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