

Dated: August 14, 2002.

**James B. Gulliford,**

*Regional Administrator, Region 7.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[MO 158-1158; FRL-7267-2]

#### Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA proposes to approve the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the state of Missouri. This revision pertains to a change in the state's Compliance Monitoring Usage rule. In the final rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the state's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial revision amendment and anticipates no relevant adverse comments to this action. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no relevant adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this action. If EPA receives relevant adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed action. 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. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on part of this rule and if that part can be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those parts of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

**DATES:** Comments on this proposed action must be received in writing by September 26, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be mailed to Wayne Kaiser, Environmental Protection Agency, Air Planning and Development Branch, 901 North 5th Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66101.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wayne Kaiser at (913) 551-7603.

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

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**William A. Spratlin,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 7.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[MO 157-1157; FRL-7267-1]

#### Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA proposes to approve the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the state of Missouri. This revision pertains to excess emissions emitted during start-up, shutdown, and malfunction conditions and the affirmative defenses available to sources. In the final rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the state's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial revision amendment and anticipates no relevant adverse comments to this action. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no relevant adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this action. If EPA receives relevant 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 action. 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. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on part of this rule and if that part can be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those parts of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** See the information provided in the direct final

rule which is located in the rules section of the **Federal Register**.

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### 45 CFR Part 674

#### Antarctic Meteorites

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation (NSF).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** NSF proposes issuing regulations authorizing the collection of meteorites in Antarctica for scientific research purposes only. In addition, the regulations provide requirements for appropriate collection, handling, and curation of Antarctic meteorites to preserve their scientific value. These regulations implement Article 7 of the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty and are issued pursuant to Section 6 of the Antarctic Conservation Act, as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by October 28, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to Anita Eisenstadt, Assistant General Counsel, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1265, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Anita Eisenstadt, Office of the General Counsel, at 703-292-8060.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background**

Antarctic meteorites are a valuable non-renewable scientific resource that provide unique and important information about the origin and evolution of the solar system. A large number of meteorites representing many different meteorite classes have been collected in Antarctica since the late 1970's. These collections are possible because meteorites are easy to see on the light colored background of snow and ice and because dynamic processes of Antarctic ice fields result in accumulation of meteorites in certain zones on the ice sheet. The meteorites are generally well preserved because of the cold and dry conditions, and represent falls over the last several million years. Because of these conditions, the meteorites collected from Antarctic ice fields represent the