ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 63

(OAR–2003–0005; FRL–8018–8)

RIN 2060–AM28

National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Surface Coating of Metal Cans

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; amendments.

SUMMARY: On November 13, 2003, EPA issued national emission standards for hazardous air pollutants (NESHAP) for surface coating of metal cans under section 112 of the Clean Air Act (CAA). This action proposes to amend the final rule to correct errors and clarify sections of the rule.

In the Rules and Regulations section of the Federal Register, we are taking direct final action on the proposed amendments because we view the amendments as noncontroversial and anticipate no adverse comments. We have explained our reasons for the amendments in the preamble to the direct final rule. If we receive no adverse comments, the changes set forth in the direct final action will become effective and we will take no further action on the proposed amendments. If we receive adverse comment on one or more distinct amendments, we will publish a timely withdrawal in the Federal Register indicating which amendments in the direct final rule will become effective and which amendments are being withdrawn due to adverse comment. If part or all of the direct final rule in the Rules and Regulations section of today’s Federal Register is withdrawn, all comments pertaining to the amendments will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on these proposed amendments. We will not institute a second comment period on the subsequent final rule. Any parties interested in commenting must do so at this time.

DATES: Comments. Written comments must be received on or before February 6, 2006 unless a public hearing is requested. If requested by January 23, 2006, a hearing will be held on February 6, 2006 and the comment period will be extended until March 7, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. OAR–2003–0005, by one of the following methods:

- Agency Web site: http://docket.epa.gov/edkpub/index.jsp. EDOCKET, EPA’s electronic public docket and comment system, is EPA’s preferred method for receiving comments. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- E-mail: a-and-r-docket@epa.gov and almodovar.paul@epa.gov.
- Fax: (202) 566–1741 and (919) 541–5689.
- Mail: U.S. Postal Service, send comments to: EPA Docket Center (6102T), Attention Docket ID No. OAR–2003–0005, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. Please include a total of two copies. We request that you also send a separate copy of each comment to the contact person listed below (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

Hand Delivery: In person or by courier, deliver comments to: EPA Docket Center (6102T), Attention Docket ID No. OAR–2003–0005, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Room B–108, Washington, DC 20004. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket’s normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for delivery of boxed information. Please include a total of two copies. We request that you also send a separate copy of each comment to the contact person listed below (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. OAR–2003–0005. The EPA’s policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at http://docket.epa.gov/edkpub/index.jsp, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be confidential business information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through EDOCKET, regulations.gov, or e-mail. Send or deliver information identified as CBI only to the following address: Mr. Roberto Morales, OAQPS Document Control Officer, EPA (C404–02), Attention Docket ID No. OAR–2003–0005, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. The EPA EDOCKET and the Federal regulations.gov websites are “anonymous access” systems, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through EDOCKET or regulations.gov, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD–ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA’s public docket, visit EDOCKET on-line or see the Federal Register of May 31, 2002 (67 FR 38102).

Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the EDOCKET index at http://docket.epa.gov/edkpub/index.jsp. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, i.e., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in EDOCKET or in hard copy at the EPA Docket Center, Docket ID No. OAR–2003–0005, EPA West Building, Room B–102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566–1744, and the telephone number for the EPA Docket Center is (202) 566–1742. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying docket materials.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact Mr. Paul Almodovar, EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards Emission Standards Division, Coatings and Consumer Products Group (C539–03), Research Triangle Park, NC 27711; telephone number (919) 541–0283; fax number (919) 541–5689; e-mail address: almodovar.paul@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulated Entities. Categories and entities potentially regulated by this action include:
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*North American Industry Classification System.

This table is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be regulated by this action. To determine whether your facility is regulated by this action, you should examine the applicability criteria in 40 CFR 63.3481 and 40 CFR 63.3482 of the Metal Can NESHAP (68 FR 64432, November 13, 2003). If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed in the preceding FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section.

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**Public Hearing.** If a public hearing is held, it will be held at 10 a.m. at the EPA Facility Complex in Research Triangle Park, NC, or at an alternate site nearby. Persons interested in presenting oral testimony or inquiring as to whether a hearing is to be held should contact Ms. Janet Eck, EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Emission Standards Division, Coatings and Consumer Products Group (C539–03), Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone number (919) 541–7946, e-mail address: eck.janet@epa.gov, at least 2 days in advance of the potential date of the public hearing. Persons interested in attending the public hearing must also call Ms. Eck to verify the time, date, and location of the hearing. The public hearing will provide interested parties the opportunity to present data, views, or arguments concerning these proposed emission standards. World Wide Web (WWW). In addition to being available in the docket, an electronic copy of today’s proposal will also be available through the WWW. Following the Administrator’s signature, a copy of this action will be posted on EPA’s Technology Transfer Network (TTN) policy and guidance page for newly proposed or promulgated rules at http://www.epa.gov/tnn/oarpg/. The TTN at EPA’s web site provides information and technology exchange in various areas of air pollution control.

**Statutory and Executive Order Reviews**

For a complete discussion of all of the administrative requirements applicable to this action, see the direct final rule in the Rules and Regulations section of today’s Federal Register.

**Regulatory Flexibility Act**

The Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) generally requires an agency to prepare a regulatory flexibility analysis of any rule subject to notice and comment rulemaking requirements under the Administrative Procedure Act or any other statute unless the agency certifies that the rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Small entities include small businesses, small organizations, and small governmental jurisdictions.

For purposes of assessing the impact of today’s technical amendments on small entities, a small entity is defined as: (1) A small business ranging from 500 to 1,000 employees as defined by the Small Business Administration’s size standards; (2) a small governmental jurisdiction that is a government of a city, county, town, school district or special district with a population of less than 50,000; and (3) a small organization that is any not-for-profit enterprise which is independently owned and operated and is not dominant in its field.

After considering the economic impacts of today’s proposed rule amendments on small entities, I certify that the proposed rule amendments will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The proposed rule amendments will not impose any new requirements on small entities. We continue to be interested in the potential impacts of the proposed rule on small entities and welcome comments on issues related to such impacts.

For information regarding other administrative requirements for this action, please see the direct final rule action that is located in the Rules and Regulations section of this Federal Register.

**List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 63**

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Hazardous substances, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: December 29, 2005.

Stephen L. Johnson,
Administrator.

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