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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This proposal addresses the following local rules: ADEQ Rule R18-2-602, ADEQ Rules R18-2-1501 through R18-2-1513, PCDEQ Rule 17.12.480, and PCAQCD Rules 3-8-700 and 3-8-710. In the Rules and Regulations section of this **Federal Register**, we are approving these local rules in a direct final action without prior proposal because we believe these SIP revisions are not controversial. If we receive adverse comments, however, we will publish a timely withdrawal of the direct final rule and address the comments in subsequent action based on this proposed rule. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

We do not plan to open a second comment period, so anyone interested in commenting should do so at this time. If we do not receive adverse comments, no further activity is planned. For further information, please see the direct final action.

Dated: March 22, 2006.

Wayne Nastri,

Regional Administrator, Region IX.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

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Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Withdrawal of Proposed Rule; Motor Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program—Request for Delay in the Incorporation of On-Board Diagnostics Testing

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Withdrawal of proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is withdrawing a proposed rule published on June 6, 2002, pertaining to Pennsylvania's timing in incorporating on-board diagnostic (OBD) checks as an element of its motor vehicle inspection and maintenance (I/M) program. EPA's I/M requirements rule, or I/M rule, established deadlines by which states

were to add OBD checks to their I/M programs (*i.e.*, no later than January 1, 2002). However, EPA's I/M rule provided states the option to submit a request to EPA to delay OBD testing for no more than one additional year. Pennsylvania submitted a SIP revision requesting this optional one-year deadline extension on December 14, 2001.

On June 6, 2002, EPA published a direct final rule (67 FR 38894) to approve Pennsylvania's request to delay OBD testing as a revision to the Pennsylvania State Implementation Plan (SIP). EPA received adverse comments during the comment period established for that rule. On August 5, 2002 EPA published a withdrawal notice (67 FR 50602) of its June 2002 direct final rule. As stated in EPA's direct final rule, upon EPA's withdrawal of the direct final rule, a proposed rulemaking action remained in place. EPA never took final action upon that proposed rule.

Pennsylvania subsequently submitted two SIP revisions (on December 1, 2003 and January 30, 2004) that revised its I/M program in its entirety—including the incorporation of OBD checks as an element of its program. EPA published a final rule fully approving the Commonwealth's revamped I/M program on October 6, 2005 (70 FR 58313).

Since EPA has fully approved the Commonwealth's I/M program (including the OBD check component of the program), EPA's proposed rule to grant the Commonwealth's request for an extension of the deadline to incorporate OBD checks is no longer necessary. On November 17, 2005, Pennsylvania formally requested withdrawal of its December 14, 2001 SIP revision from EPA. Therefore, EPA is today withdrawing its proposed rule (67 FR 38924) to grant the Commonwealth's OBD deadline extension.

DATES: The proposed rule is withdrawn as of May 16, 2006.

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List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

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Donald S. Welsh,

Regional Administrator, Region III.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

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Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve revisions to the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) portion of the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). These revisions concern oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) and oxides of sulfur (SO_x) emissions from facilities emitting 4 tons or more per year of NO_x or SO_x in the year 1990 or subsequent year under the SCAQMD's Regional Clean Air Incentives Market (RECLAIM) program. We are proposing to approve local rules to regulate these emission sources under the Clean Air Act as amended in 1990 (CAA or the Act). We are taking comments on this proposal and plan to follow with a final action.

DATES: Any comments must arrive by June 15, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments, identified by docket number EPA-R09-OAR-2006-0225, by one of the following methods:

1. Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions.
2. E-mail: steckel.andrew@epa.gov.
3. Mail or deliver: Andrew Steckel (Air-4), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901.

Instructions: All comments will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Information that you consider CBI or otherwise protected should be clearly identified as such and should not be submitted through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. <http://www.regulations.gov> is an "anonymous access" system, and EPA will not know