

Copies of the SD outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the EA were distributed to the parties on the Commission's mailing list and the applicant's service list. Copies of the SD may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings; Additional Types of Filings To Be Included in Combined Notice of Filings

June 1, 2006.

The purpose of this notice is to announce that effective June 1, 2006, the Commission will issue notices for the following types of filings using the combined notice of filings method instituted on May 17, 2005.

EC—Applications of Electric Public Utilities For Authority to Sell, Lease, Purchase, Acquire, or Merge and Applications for Determination of Jurisdiction
EG—Applications for Exempt Wholesale Generation Determination
ES—Issuance of Securities and Assumption of Liabilities of Electric Utilities
FC—Foreign Utility Company Request
PH—Exemption from or Waiver of Regulation as Holding Company

In addition, the Secretary is making the following changes to the filing procedures for the types of filings listed above:

1. Filers are no longer required to include draft notices in floppy disk format with the filing.
2. Filers requesting a short comment period for the filing must clearly state such request in the "Re:" section of the filing, for example:

Re: Signal Hill Wichita Falls Power, L.P.
Docket No. EG06-____
Request for shortened comment period

The notices issued under the combined notice of filings method will be added to eLibrary and will be published in the **Federal Register** under the name "Combined Notice of Filings." Each filing will be listed with its identifying details as follows:

Docket Number—This item contains a hyperlink to the eLibrary docket sheet for the docket number.

Name of Applicant(s)—This item shows the applicant name as it appears on the filing.

Description—This item contains a basic description of the filing and a hyperlink that opens the filed document in eLibrary, as stored in eLibrary.

Filing Date—This item shows the date on which the document was filed with the Commission.

Accession Number—This item contains a hyperlink that will open the "Info" area of eLibrary for the filed document. There may be instances in which the accession number for the particular filing changes after issuance of the combined notice. In this case, the user will have to search eLibrary to access the document.

Comment Date—This item indicates the comment date for the particular filing.

The "Combined Notice of Filings" is indexed in eLibrary as follows, for example: "Combined Notice of Filings, June 1, 2006: This notice contains information concerning multiple filings received by FERC." The Commission may issue more than one "Combined Notice of Filings" on any given day. In this case, the eLibrary index will read as follows, for example: "Combined Notice of Filings; June 1, 2006 #2: This notice contains information concerning multiple filings received by FERC."

In time, the Commission expects to issue the majority of notices of filings using the combined notice of filings method. By this initiative, the Commission seeks to simplify the manner in which the Commission's staff prepares notices and thereby expedite the public issuance of notices.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[Docket No. EPA-R02-OAR-2006-0342; FRL-8181-7]

Adequacy Status of the Submitted 2009 Early Progress Direct PM_{2.5} and NO_x Motor Vehicle Emission Budgets for Transportation Conformity Purposes for Northern New Jersey

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of adequacy.

SUMMARY: In this notice, EPA is notifying the public that we have found

that the motor vehicle emissions budgets ("budgets") for direct PM_{2.5} and NO_x in the submitted PM_{2.5} early progress state implementation plan (SIP) for the New Jersey portion of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT PM_{2.5} nonattainment area to be adequate for transportation conformity purposes. The transportation conformity rule requires that the EPA conduct a public process and make an affirmative decision on the adequacy of budgets before they can be used by metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) in conformity determinations. As a result of our finding, the MPOs in northern New Jersey, the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) and the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC), must use the new 2009 direct PM_{2.5} and NO_x budgets from the early progress PM_{2.5} SIP for future conformity determinations.

DATES: This finding is effective June 23, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Matt Laurita, Air Programs Branch, Environmental Protection Agency—Region 2, 290 Broadway, 25th Floor, New York, New York 10007-1866, (212) 637-3895, laurita.matthew@epa.gov.

The finding and the response to comments will be available at EPA's conformity Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/stateresources/transconf/adequacy.htm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Today's notice is simply an announcement of a finding that we have already made. EPA Region 2 sent a letter to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection on May 31, 2006 stating that the 2009 direct PM_{2.5} and NO_x budgets in the submitted early progress SIP for Northern New Jersey (dated May 18, 2006) are adequate for conformity purposes. The purpose of New Jersey's May 18, 2006 submittal was to establish budgets for the metropolitan planning organizations in northern New Jersey to use in making conformity determinations. EPA's adequacy finding will also be announced on EPA's conformity Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/stateresources/transconf/adequacy.htm>.

Transportation conformity (40 CFR part 93) is required by section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act. EPA's conformity rule requires that transportation plans, programs, and projects conform to SIPs and establishes the criteria and procedures for determining whether or not they conform. Conformity to a SIP means that transportation activities will

not produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

The criteria by which we determine whether a SIP's motor vehicle emission budgets are adequate for conformity purposes are outlined in 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). Please note that an adequacy review is separate from EPA's completeness review, and it also should not be used to prejudge EPA's ultimate approval of the SIP. Even if we find a budget adequate, the SIP could later be disapproved.

We have described our process for determining the adequacy of submitted SIP budgets in 40 CFR 93.118(f). We have followed this rule in making our adequacy determination.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q.

Dated: May 26, 2006.

Alan J. Steinberg,

Regional Administrator, Region 2.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–8181–4]

Air Quality Management Subcommittee to the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC); Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established the CAAAC on November 19, 1990, to provide independent advice and counsel to EPA on policy issues associated with implementation of the Clean Air Act of 1990. The Committee advises on economic, environmental, technical, scientific, and enforcement policy issues.

Open Meeting Notice: Open Meeting Notice: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. App.2 10(a)(2), notice is hereby given that the Air Quality Management subcommittee to the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee will hold its next open meeting on Tuesday, June 27 and Wednesday, June 28, 2006 from approximately 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Ritz-Carlton Atlanta Hotel, 181 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia. Any member of the public who wishes to submit written or brief oral comments; or who wants further information concerning this meeting should follow the procedures outlined in the section below titled “Providing Oral or Written Comments at this Meeting”. Seating will

be limited and available on a first come, first served basis. In order to insure copies of printed materials are available, members of the public wishing to attend this meeting are encouraged to contact Mr. Jeffrey Whitlow, Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. EPA (919) 541–5523, Fax (919) 685–3307 or by mail at U.S. EPA, Office of Quality Planning and Standards (Mail code C 301–04), 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711 or by e-mail at: whitlow.jeff@epa.gov by noon eastern time on June 20, 2006. For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities or to request accommodation of a disability, please contact Mr. Whitlow, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Inspection of Committee Documents: The subcommittee agenda and any documents prepared for the meeting will be sent to participants via e-mail prior to the start of the meeting. Thereafter, these documents, together with the meeting minutes, will be available by contacting the Office of Air and Radiation Docket and requesting information under docket OAR–2004–0075 and can be found on the CAAAC Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/air/caaac>. The Docket office can be reached by telephoning (202) 260–7548; FAX (202) 260–4400.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Concerning the Air Quality Management subcommittee to the CAAAC, please contact Mr. Jeffrey Whitlow, Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. EPA (919) 541–5523, FAX (919) 685–3307 or by mail at U.S. EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (Mail Code C 301–04), 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, or e-mail at: whitlow.jeff@epa.gov. Additional Information about the CAAAC and its subcommittees can be found on the CAAAC Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/air/caaac>.

Providing Oral or Written Comments At This Meeting: It is the policy of the subcommittee to accept written public comments of any length and to accommodate oral public comments whenever possible. The subcommittee expects that public statements presented at this meeting will not be repetitive of previously-submitted oral or written statements. Oral Comments: In general, each individual or group requesting an oral presentation at this meeting is limited to a total time of five minutes (unless otherwise indicated). However, no more than 30 minutes total will be allotted for oral public comments at this meeting; therefore, the time allowed for

each speaker's comments will be adjusted accordingly. In addition, for scheduling purposes, requests to provide oral comments must be in writing (e-mail, fax or mail) and received by Mr. Whitlow no later than noon eastern time five business days prior to the meeting in order to reserve time on the meeting agenda. Written Comments: Although the subcommittee accepts written comments until the date of the meeting (unless otherwise stated), written comments should be received by Mr. Whitlow no later than noon eastern time five business days prior to the meeting so that the comments may be made available to the subcommittee members for their consideration. Comments should be supplied to Mr. Whitlow (preferably via e-mail) at the address/contact information noted above, as follows: one hard copy with original signature or one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files).

Dated: May 31, 2006.

Gregory A. Green,

Director, Outreach and Information Division, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–8181–6; Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–ORD–2006–0491]

External Review Draft, Estimation of Biota Sediment Accumulation Factor (BSAF) From Paired Observations of Chemical Concentrations in Biota and Sediment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public comment period.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing a 30-day public comment period for the draft document titled, “Estimation of Biota Sediment Accumulation Factor (BSAF) from Paired Observations of Chemical Concentrations in Biota and Sediment” (EPA/600/R–06/047). The document was prepared by the Ecological Risk Assessment Support Center managed by the National Center for Environmental Assessment within EPA's Office of Research and Development.

EPA is releasing this draft document solely for the purpose of pre-dissemination peer review under applicable information quality guidelines. This document has not been formally disseminated by EPA. It does