ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
40 CFR Part 52

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Louisiana; Approval of 8-Hour Ozone Section 110(a)(1) Maintenance Plans for the Parishes of Lafayette and Lafourche

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve revisions to the Louisiana State Implementation Plan (SIP) concerning the 8-hour ozone maintenance plans for the parishes of Lafayette and Lafourche. On October 13, 2006, and December 19, 2006, the State of Louisiana submitted maintenance plans for Lafayette and Lafourche Parishes, respectively, which ensure continued attainment of the 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) through the year 2014. These maintenance plans meet the statutory and regulatory requirements, and are consistent with EPA’s guidance. EPA is approving the revisions pursuant to section 110 of the Federal Clean Air Act (CAA).

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before April 23, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Mr. Guy Donaldson, Chief, Air Planning Section (6PD–L), Environmental Protection Agency, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733. Comments may also be submitted electronically or through hand delivery/courier by following the detailed instructions in the Addresses section of the direct final rule located in the rules section of this Federal Register.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Kaspar, Air Planning Section (6PD–L), Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733, telephone (214) 665–7459; fax number 214–665–7263; e-mail address kaspar.paul@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 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 relevant 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 If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule.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. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time. 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.

For additional information, see the direct final rule, which is located in the rules section of this Federal Register.

Dated: March 6, 2008.

Lawrence E. Starfield,
Acting Regional Administrator, Region 6.
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
40 CFR Part 59

RIN 2060–AO86

National Volatile Organic Compound Emission Standards for Aerosol Coatings

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA is proposing to amend the National Volatile Organic Compound Emission Standards for Aerosol Coatings final rule, published elsewhere in this Federal Register, which is a rule that establishes national reactivity-based emission standards for the aerosol coatings category (aerosol spray paints) under the Clean Air Act (CAA). In the “Rules and Regulations” section of this Federal Register, we are making these same amendments as a direct final rule without a prior proposed rule. If we receive no adverse comment, we will not take further action on this proposed rule.

DATES: Comments. Written comments must be received by April 23, 2008.

Public Hearing. If anyone contacts EPA requesting to speak at a public hearing concerning the proposed regulation by April 3, 2008, we will hold a public hearing on April 8, 2008. Additional information about the opportunity for a public hearing is contained in the direct final rule located in the rules section of this Federal Register.

ADDRESSES: Comments. Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2007–0429 by mail to National Volatile Organic Compound Emission Standards for Aerosol Coatings, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. Please include a total of two copies. Comments may also be submitted electronically or through hand delivery/courier by following the detailed instructions in the ADDRESSES section of the direct final rule located in the rules section of this Federal Register.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact Ms. J. Kaye Whitfield, U.S. EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Sector Policies and Programs Division, Natural Resources and Commerce Group (E143–03), Research Triangle Park, NC 27711; telephone number (919) 541–2509; facsimile number (919) 541–3470; e-mail address: whitfield.kaye@epa.gov. For information concerning the CAA section 183(e) consumer and commercial products program, contact Mr. Bruce Moore, U.S. EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Sector Policies and Programs Division, Natural Resources and Commerce Group (E143–03), Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711, telephone number: (919) 541–5460, facsimile number (919) 541–3470, e-mail address: moore.bruce@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Why Is EPA Issuing This Proposed Rule?

This document proposes to take action on the National Emission Standards for Aerosol Coatings to clarify and amend certain explanatory and regulatory text in the rule concerning how compounds are added to the lists in Tables 2A, 2B and 2C, and when distributors and retailers are regulated entities responsible for compliance with the final rule. We have published a direct final rule to make these same amendments in the “Rules and Regulations” section of this Federal Register because we view this as a noncontroversial action and anticipate no adverse comment. We have explained our reasons for this action in the preamble to the direct final rule.

If we receive no adverse comment, we will not take further action on this proposed rule. If we receive adverse comment, we will follow the procedures in the direct final rule, and it will not take effect. We would address all public comments in
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
49 CFR Parts 380, 383, and 384
[Docket No. FMCSA--2007–27748]
RIN 2126–AB06
Minimum Training Requirements for Entry-Level Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators: Updated Information and Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Proposed rule; Updated information and extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: In response to a request, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) extends until May 23, 2008, the comment period for its notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) published on December 26, 2007. FMCSA also updates information in the Paperwork Reduction Act section in the preamble to the NPRM.

DATES: Please submit comments regarding the NPRM to the docket by May 23, 2008. Please submit comments regarding updated information under the Paperwork Reduction Act by May 23, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You must submit comments, identified by Docket ID Number FMCSA–2007–27748, by one of the following methods:

- Mail/Courier: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Management Facility, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
- Fax: (202) 493–2251.
- Docket: For access to the docket to read comments received and background material, go to the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at: http://www.regulations.gov, and search for docket ID Number FMCSA–2007–27748. Comments may also be inspected at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Management Facility, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
- Privacy Act: Regardless of the method used for submitting comments, all comments or material will be posted without change to the FDMS, including personal information. Anyone can search the electronic form of all of our dockets in FDMS by the name of the individual submitting the document (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT’s complete Privacy Act Statement published in the Federal Register on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19476) or you may visit http://DocketsInfo.dot.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Thomas Yager, Chief, Driver and Carrier Operations Division (MC–PSD), telephone (202) 366–4325 or e-mail mcpsd@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 26, 2007 (72 FR 73226), FMCSA published for public comment a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) concerning minimum training requirements for entry-level commercial motor vehicle operators. The original comment period for the NPRM expires on March 25, 2008. In response to a letter dated February 26, 2008 from the American Trucking Associations, FMCSA has extended the comment period, which now expires on May 23, 2008.

The FMCSA has updated the NPRM, on page 73241, second column, under the headings Respondents, Frequency, and Annual Burden Estimate, so that it reads as follows:

Respondents: The annual number of drivers providing training certificates under the current rule, which would remain in effect during the 3-year implementation period, is 32,426. The number of training institutions (public and private) that would provide training under the terms of this proposed rule is uncertain, but FMCSA estimates it to be between 200 and 500. The number of State licensing agencies is 51. The total of these three groups of potential respondents will range between 32,677 and 32,977 during the initial 3-year implementation period.

Frequency: Information would not be collected with any specific frequency during the 3-year life of the information collection. The initial burdens on training institutions and SDLAs will be limited to startup activities.

Annual Burden Estimate: This proposal would result in an annual recordkeeping and reporting burden estimated to be 134,990 hours, calculated as follows:

- Entry-level CDL drivers after the first year under the currently approved information collection incur a burden of 5,400 hours, and this burden would remain in effect until OMB approval of a pending revision of the information collection. In addition, during the 3-year phase-in period the CDL-training institutions would incur an estimated burden of 125,000 hours to revise their processes to conform to the requirements of this rule. During the same period, State driver-