

6212 or via VHF channel 16 (156.8 MHz) or VHF channel 22 (157.1 MHz).

(c) *Notification.* When a security zone is created by this section, one or more Coast Guard vessels will be present to enforce the security zone and the COTP Columbia River will issue a local broadcast notice to mariners.

Dated: November 5, 2010.

D.E. Kaup,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, Sector Columbia River.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 49

[EPA-R09-OAR-2010-0683; FRL-9235-3]

Extension of Public Comment Period and Postponement of Public Hearings for Source Specific Federal Implementation Plan for Implementing Best Available Retrofit Technology for Four Corners Power Plant: Navajo Nation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of extended public comment period and postponed public hearings.

SUMMARY: On October 19, 2010, EPA published in the **Federal Register** our proposed determination of the Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) for the Four Corners Power Plant and requested comment by December 20, 2010. EPA is extending the public comment period until March 18, 2011, for our proposed BART determination. EPA is also postponing the open houses and public hearings announced in the **Federal Register** on November 12, 2010 and will provide additional notice and details of the rescheduled hearings at a later time.

DATES: Comments must be submitted no later than March 18, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments, identified by docket number EPA-R09-OAR-2010-0683, by one of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions.

E-mail: r9air_fcpcbpart@epa.gov.

Mail or deliver: Anita Lee (Air-3), 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 your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send e-mail directly to EPA, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the public comment. 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions please contact Anita Lee, EPA Region IX, (415) 972-3958, r9air_fcpcbpart@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 19, 2010, the Region 9 Office of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed a Source Specific Federal Implementation Plan to implement the Best Available Retrofit Technology for Four Corners Power Plant, located on the Navajo Nation (75 FR 64221). The Clean Air Act's Regional Haze Rule requires the use of Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) at older coal-fired power plants to reduce haze and improve visibility.

On November 12, 2010, EPA published in the **Federal Register** (75 FR 69373) a notice of three sets of open houses and public hearings to be held at three locations in the Four Corners Area on December 6-9, 2010. EPA is postponing the open houses and public hearings and will provide additional notice and details of the rescheduled hearings at a later time.

EPA published notices of open houses and public hearings, to be held December 7-9, 2010 in Shiprock, NM, Farmington, NM, and Durango, CO, in the Farmington Daily Times and the Durango Herald on November 3, 2010 and the Navajo Times on November 4, 2010. Notice of these hearings was additionally published in the **Federal Register** on November 12, 2010 (75 FR 69373). On Thursday, November 11, 2010, EPA published notice in the Navajo Times of an additional open house and public hearing to be held at the Nenahnezad Chapter House in Fruitland, NM. The public comment

period for the proposal was scheduled to close on December 20, 2010.

EPA proposed requiring the Four Corners Power Plant to meet a plant-wide limit of 0.11 lb/MMBtu, representing an 80% reduction in emissions of nitrogen oxides (NO_x) to achieve cleaner, healthier air while improving the visibility at sixteen of our most pristine national parks and wilderness areas. EPA's proposal can be achieved by installing and operating selective catalytic reduction (SCR) on all five units. EPA is also proposing a particulate matter (PM) emission limit of 0.012 lb/MMBtu for the three smaller units that will require additional controls for fine particles, and is also requesting comment on whether BART can be met on the three smaller units by requiring an emission limit of 0.03 lb/MMBtu with a 20% opacity limit. Reduction of fine particles may help reduce the visible secondary plume that is often emanating from these three units. For the two larger units at Four Corners Power Plant, EPA is proposing an emission limit of 0.015 lb/MMBtu, achievable with proper operation of the existing baghouses.

On November 9, 2010, EPA met with representatives from Arizona Public Service (APS), co-owner and operator of FCPP. APS discussed an alternative proposal that calls for shutting down Units 1-3 at FCPP by 2014 and installing SCR on Units 4 and 5 by 2018. APS claims this plan will result in larger emissions reductions than EPA's proposal without layoffs at the facility. A record of this meeting has been posted to the docket for this proposed rulemaking. APS plans to submit their alternative proposal and supporting analysis to EPA shortly. EPA will make this submittal from APS available from our docket when it is received. The link to the docket can be reached at the following Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/region9/air/navajo/index.html#proposed> or from <http://www.regulations.gov>, identified by EPA Docket Number: EPA-R09-OAR-2010-0683.

EPA is extending the public comment period for our proposal to March 18, 2011 and postponing the scheduled open houses and public hearings to allow EPA and the public time to assess the alternative proposal submitted by APS. EPA may supplement our proposal with additional information following our analysis of APS' submission. If EPA supplements our original proposal, we will publish the supplement in the **Federal Register** and provide supporting documentation in our docket. The dates for the rescheduled open houses and public hearings have

not yet been determined, but EPA will provide notice of the rescheduled open houses and hearings in local newspapers, in our docket, and on our Web site at least 30 days prior to the events.

EPA's proposed rule was published in the **Federal Register** on October 19, 2010 (75 FR 64221) and can be accessed the following Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/region9/airnavajo/index.html#proposed>. EPA has established a public docket for the proposed rulemaking under the docket number EPA-R09-OAR-2010-0683.

Docket: The index to the docket for this action is available electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov> and in hard copy at EPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California. While all documents in the docket are listed in the index, some information may be publicly available only at the hard copy location (e.g., copyrighted material), and some may not be publicly available in either location (e.g., CBI). Due to building security procedures, to inspect the hard copy materials, please schedule an appointment at least 24 hours in advance during normal business hours with the contact listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Dated: November 22, 2010.

Deborah Jordan,

Air Division Director, Region IX.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R05-OAR-2010-0671; FRL-9236-5]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed Rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve a July 29, 2010, request from the State of Illinois to exempt sources of Nitrogen Oxides (NO_x) in the Illinois portions of the Chicago-Gary-Lake County, Illinois-Indiana and St. Louis, Missouri-Illinois 8-hour ozone nonattainment areas from Clean Air Act (CAA) requirements for NO_x Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for purposes of attaining the 1997 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). The State's NO_x RACT waiver request is based on the most recent three years of complete, quality-assured ozone monitoring data, which

demonstrate that additional reduction of NO_x emissions in the ozone nonattainment areas would not contribute to attainment of the 1997 8-hour ozone NAAQS in the two ozone nonattainment areas. In addition to waiving the NO_x RACT requirement for the State of Illinois, final approval of the NO_x RACT waiver would also suspend a requirement for EPA to promulgate a NO_x RACT Federal Implementation Plan (FIP) for the 8-hour ozone nonattainment areas.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 7, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R05-OAR-2010-0671, by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- *E-mail:* mooney.john@epa.gov.

- *Fax:* (312) 692-2551.

- *Mail:* John M. Mooney, Chief, Attainment Planning and Maintenance Section, Air Programs Branch, (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

- *Hand Delivery:* John M. Mooney, Chief, Attainment Planning and Maintenance Section, Air Programs Branch, (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, 18th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60604. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Regional Office's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. The Regional Office official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding Federal holidays.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-R05-OAR-2010-0671. 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://www.regulations.gov>, 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 <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an "anonymous access" system, 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 [http://](http://www.regulations.gov)

www.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 and viruses. For additional instructions on submitting comments, go to section I of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, Air and Radiation Division, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. This facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays. We recommend that you telephone Edward Doty at (312) 886-6057 before visiting the Region 5 office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Edward Doty, Environmental Scientist, Attainment Planning and Maintenance Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 886-6057.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Throughout this document whenever "we," "us," or "our" is used, we mean EPA. This **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section is arranged as follows:

- I. What should I consider as I prepare my comments for EPA?
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 - B. EPA's analysis of Illinois' NO_x RACT Waiver Petition
- V. What are the environmental effects of this action?
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