I. What action is EPA taking?

EPA is proposing to determine that these Areas have clean data for the 2006 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS. These determinations are based upon quality-assured, quality-controlled, and certified ambient air monitoring data showing that these Areas have monitored attainment of the 2006 PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS based on the 2008–2010 data available in EPA’s Air Quality System (AQS) database. If these proposed determinations are made final, the requirements for these Areas to submit an attainment demonstration, associated RACM, a reasonable further progress plan (RFP), contingency measures, and any other planning SIP requirements related to attainment of the 2006 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS would be suspended for so long as these Areas continue to meet this NAAQS. Furthermore, as described below, a final clean data determination would not be equivalent to a redesignation of any of these Areas to attainment for the 2006 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS.

II. What is the effect of this action?

If EPA subsequently determines that these Areas are in violation of the 2006 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS, the basis for the suspension of the specific requirements, set forth at 40 CFR 51.1004(c), would no longer exist and these Areas would thereafter have to address the pertinent requirements.

These proposed clean data determinations that the air quality data shows attainment of the 2006 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS is not equivalent to the redesignation of these Areas to attainment. This proposed action, if finalized, will not constitute a redesignation to attainment under section 107(d)(3) of the CAA because we would not yet have an approved
maintenance plan for these Areas as required under section 175A of the CAA, nor determinations that these Areas have met the other requirements for redesignation. The designation status of these Areas would remain nonattainment for the 2006 PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS until such time as EPA determines that these Areas meet the CAA requirements for redesignation to attainment.

III. What is the background for this action?

The 2006 PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS set forth at 40 CFR 50.13 became effective on December 18, 2006 (71 FR 61144) and promulgated a 24-hour standard of 35 micrograms per cubic meter ($\mu g/m^3$) based on a 3-year average of the 98th percentile of 24-hour concentration. On December 14, 2009 (74 FR 58688), EPA made designation determinations, as required by CAA section 107(d)(1), for the 2006 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS. The Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle-York, Allentown, Johnstown, and Lancaster areas are designated as nonattainment for the 2006 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS.

IV. What is EPA’s analysis of the relevant air quality data?

EPA has reviewed the ambient air monitoring data, consistent with the requirements contained in 40 CFR part 50 and recorded in EPA’s AQS database for the Harrisburg-Lebanon-Carlisle-York, Allentown, Johnstown, and Lancaster PM$_{2.5}$ nonattainment areas from 2008 through the present time. On the basis of that review, EPA has concluded that these Areas meet the 2006 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS based on the 2006–2010 data available in EPA’s AQS database.

V. What is EPA’s proposed action?

EPA is proposing to determine that the Areas have clean data for the 2006 24-hour PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS. As provided in 40 CFR 51.1004(c), if EPA finalizes these determinations, they will suspend the requirements for these Areas to submit an attainment demonstration, associated RACM, RFP, contingency measures, and any other planning SIP requirements related to the attainment of the 2006 PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS, so long as these Areas continue to meet the standard. EPA is soliciting public comments on the issues discussed in this document. These comments will be considered before taking final action.

VI. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

This action proposes to make attainment determinations based on air quality data and would not, if finalized, result in the suspension of certain Federal requirements and would not impose any additional requirements. For that reason, this proposed action:

- Does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.);
- Is certified as not having a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.);
- Does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–4);
- Does not have Federalism implications as specified in Executive

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*The data presented in Table 1 are available at [http://www.epa.gov/air/airtrends/values.html](http://www.epa.gov/air/airtrends/values.html).
Environmental Protection Agency

40 CFR Parts 52 and 81


Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Illinois; Redesignation of the Illinois Portion of the St. Louis, MO-IL Area to Attainment for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: EPA is extending the comment period for a proposed rule published December 22, 2011 (76 FR 79579). On December 22, 2011, EPA proposed to approve the State of Illinois’ request to redesignate the Illinois portion of the St. Louis, MO-IL nonattainment area (Jersey, Madison, Monroe, and St. Clair Counties) to attainment for the 1997 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). In conjunction with the proposed approval of the redesignation request, EPA proposed to approve, as a revision to the Illinois State Implementation Plan, the State’s plan for maintaining the 1997 8-hour ozone NAAQS through 2025 in the area. EPA also proposed to approve the 2002 emissions inventory as meeting the comprehensive emissions inventory requirement of the Clean Air Act for the Illinois portion of the St. Louis area. Finally, EPA proposed to approve the State’s 2008 and 2025 Motor Vehicle Emission Budgets for the Illinois portion of the St. Louis area. In response to a December 22, 2011, request from David C. Bender, EPA is extending the comment period for 30 days.

DATES: Comments. The public comment period for the proposed rule published December 22, 2011 (76 FR 79579) is being extended for 30 days to February 22, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R05–OAR–2010–0523, to: Douglas Aburano, Chief, Attainment Planning and Maintenance Section, Air Programs Branch (AR–18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 853–6900, aburano.douglas@epa.gov. Additional instructions to comment can be found in the notice of proposed rulemaking published December 22, 2011 (76 FR 79579).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathleen D’Agostino, Environmental Engineer, Attainment Planning and Maintenance Section, Air Programs Branch (AR–18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 886–1767, dagostino.kathleen@epa.gov.

Dated: January 9, 2012.

Susan Hedman,
Regional Administrator, Region 5.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 17

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RIN 1018–AV86

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Proposed Endangered Status for the Chupadera Springsnail (Pyrgulopsis chupaderae) and Proposed Designation of Critical Habitat

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the reopening of the public comment period on our August 2, 2011, proposed endangered status and designation of critical habitat for the Chupadera springsnail (Pyrgulopsis chupaderae) under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). We also announce the availability of a draft economic analysis and draft environmental assessment of the proposed designation of critical habitat and an amended required determinations section of the proposal. We are reopening the comment period to allow all interested parties an opportunity to comment simultaneously on the revised proposed rule, the associated draft economic analysis and draft environmental assessment, and the amended required determinations section. Comments previously submitted need not be resubmitted, as they will be fully considered in preparation of the final rule.

DATES: We will consider comments received on or before February 21, 2012. Comments must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the closing date. Any comments that we receive after the closing date may not be considered in the final decision on this action.

ADDRESSES: Document availability: You may obtain copies of the proposed rule, draft economic analysis, and draft environmental assessment on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov at Docket Number FWS–R2–ES–2011–0042, or by mail from the New Mexico Ecological Services Field Office (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

Comment submission: You may submit written comments by one of the following methods:

(1) Electronically: Go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://