ENVIROMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52


AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve changes to the Tennessee State Implementation Plan (SIP), submitted by the State of Tennessee, through the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation on September 3, 1999. Tennessee’s September 3, 1999, SIP revision adds 17 compounds to the list of compounds excluded from the definition of “Volatile Organic Compound”. EPA is approving this SIP revision because the State has demonstrated that it is consistent with the Clean Air Act.

In the Final Rules Section of this Federal Register, EPA is approving the State’s implementation plan revision 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 adverse comments are received in response to this rule, 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 If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule.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 on this document. Any parties interested in commenting on this document should do so at this time.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before March 21, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R04–OAR–2012–0888, by one of the following methods:

1. www.regulations.gov: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

2. Email: R4-RDS@epa.gov.

3. Fax: (404) 562–9019.


5. Hand Delivery or Courier: Lorraine Benjamin, Chief, Regulatory Development Section, Air Planning Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303–8960. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Regional Office’s normal hours of operation. The Regional Office’s official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 4:30, excluding federal holidays.

Please see the direct final rule which is located in the Rules section of this Federal Register for detailed instructions on how to submit comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sean Lakeman, Regulatory Development Section, Air Planning Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303–8960. The telephone number is (404) 562–9043. Mr. Lakeman can be reached via electronic mail at lakeman.sean@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information see the direct final rule which is published in the...
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40 CFR Part 98


RIN 2060–AR74

Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule: Revision to Best Available Monitoring Method Request Submission Deadline for Petroleum and Natural Gas Systems Source Category

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA is proposing to revise the deadline by which owners or operators of facilities subject to the petroleum and natural gas systems source category of the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule must submit requests for use of best available monitoring methods to the Administrator. This proposed revision does not change any other requirements for owners or operators as outlined in the best available monitoring method rule provisions.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before March 21, 2013.

Public Hearing. A public hearing will be held if requested. To request a hearing, please contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section by February 26, 2013. If requested, the hearing will be conducted on March 6, 2013, in the Washington, DC area. EPA will publish a notice in the Federal Register with further information about the public hearing if a public hearing is requested.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2011–0417 by one of the following methods:

- Email: GHG_Rule_Oil_And_Natural_Gas@epa.gov.
- Fax: (202) 566–9744.

- Hand/Courier Delivery: EPA Docket Center, Public Reading Room, EPA West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20004. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket’s normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2011–0417. 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 email. Send or deliver information identified as CBI to only the mail or hand/courier delivery address listed above, attention: Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2011–0417. 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 email comment directly to EPA without going through http://www.regulations.gov your email 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 or viruses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carole Cook, Climate Change Division, Office of Atmospheric Programs (MC–6207J), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 343–9263; fax number: (202) 343–2342; email address: GHGReportingRule@epa.gov. For technical information, contact the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule Hotline at: http://www.epa.gov/ghgreporting/reporters/index.html. To submit a question, select Rule Help center, then select Contact us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Why is the EPA issuing this proposed rule?

EPA is proposing to revise the deadline in 40 CFR 98.234(f)(8)(i) by which owners or operators of facilities subject to the petroleum and natural gas systems source category, subpart W, of the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule must submit a request to use best available monitoring methods to the Administrator. We have published a direct final rule making this revision in the “Rules and Regulations” section of this Federal Register because the EPA views this as a noncontroversial action and no adverse comments are anticipated. A further explanation for the reasons for this action is 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 the EPA receives relevant adverse comment, we will publish a timely withdrawal notice in the Federal Register to inform the public that the direct final rule, or the relevant portion of the direct final rule, will not take effect. The rule provisions...