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- **Fax:** 202–693–9441.

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**Docket:** For access to the docket to read comments received, go to [http://www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or [http://www.msha.gov/currentcomments.asp](http://www.msha.gov/currentcomments.asp). To read background documents, go to [http://www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Review the docket in person at MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, Virginia, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. Sign in at the receptionist’s desk on the 21st floor.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sheila McConnell, Acting Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, MSHA, at mcconnell.sheila@dol.gov (email); 202–693–9440 (voice); or 202–693–9441 (facsimile).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

I. Background

On July 31, 2014, MSHA published a proposed rule (79 FR 44494) to amend its civil penalty regulation to simplify the criteria, which will promote consistency, objectivity, and efficiency in the proposed assessment of civil penalties and facilitate the resolution of enforcement issues. The proposal would place a greater emphasis on the more serious safety and health conditions and provide improved safety and health for miners. MSHA is also proposing alternatives that would address the scope and applicability of its civil penalty regulation.

In response to requests from the public, MSHA held public hearings on December 4, 2014, in Arlington, Virginia, and on December 9, 2014, in Denver, Colorado. The post-hearing comment period was scheduled to close on January 9, 2015.

II. Public Hearings

In response to requests from the public, MSHA will hold two additional public hearings on the proposed rule to provide the public an opportunity to present their views on this rulemaking. MSHA is holding the hearings on the following dates at the locations indicated:

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The hearings will begin with an opening statement from MSHA, followed by oral presentations from members of the public. The public hearings will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end no later than 5:00 p.m., or earlier if the last person presenting testimony has spoken.

Persons and organizations wishing to speak are encouraged to notify MSHA in advance for scheduling purposes. Persons do not have to make a written request to speak; however, MSHA will give priority to persons who have notified us, in advance, of their intent to speak and will provide others an opportunity to present oral testimony if time allows. MSHA requests that parties making presentations at the hearings submit them no later than five days prior to the hearing. Testimony, presentations, and accompanying documentation will be included in the rulemaking record. Copies of the transcripts will be available to the public on [http://www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and on MSHA’s Web site at [http://www.msha.gov/tscripts.htm](http://www.msha.gov/tscripts.htm).

Commenters are requested to be specific in their comments and submit detailed rationale and supporting documentation for any comment or suggested alternative as MSHA cannot sufficiently evaluate general comments. All comments must be received or postmarked by March 12, 2015.


**Joseph A. Main,**
Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**40 CFR Parts 50, 51, 52, 53, and 58**


**RIN 2060–AP38**

**National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Announcement of public hearings.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing three public hearings for the proposed rule titled, “National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone,” that was published in the Federal Register on December 17, 2014. The hearings will be held in Washington, DC, Arlington, Texas, and Sacramento, California.

Based on its review of the air quality criteria for ozone ($O_3$) and related photochemical oxidants and national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for $O_3$, the EPA proposes to make revisions to the primary and secondary NAAQS for $O_3$ to provide requisite...
protection of public health and welfare, respectively. The EPA is proposing to revise the primary standard to a level within the range of 0.065 to 0.070 parts per million (ppm), and to revise the secondary standard to within the range of 0.065 to 0.070 ppm, which air quality analyses indicate would provide air quality, in terms of 3-year average W126 index values, at or below a range of 13–17 ppm-hours. The EPA proposes to make corresponding revisions in data handling conventions for O₃ and conforming changes to the Air Quality Index; to revise regulations for the Prevention of Significant Deterioration program to add a transition provision for certain applications; and to propose schedules and convey information related to implementing any revised standards. The EPA is proposing changes to the O₃ monitoring seasons, the Federal Reference Method (FRM) for monitoring O₃ in the ambient air, Federal Equivalent Method procedures for testing, and the Photochemical Assessment Monitoring Stations network.

Along with proposing exceptional event schedules related to implementing any revised O₃ standards, the EPA is proposing to apply this same schedule approach to other future revised NAAQS and to remove obsolete regulatory language for expired exceptional event deadlines. The EPA is proposing to make minor changes to the procedures and time periods for evaluating potential FRMs and equivalent methods (including making the requirements for nitrogen dioxide consistent with the requirements for O₃) and to remove an obsolete requirement for the annual submission of documentation by manufacturers of certain particulate matter monitors.

DATES: The public hearings will be held on January 29, 2015, in Washington, DC and Arlington, Texas, and on February 2, 2015, in Sacramento, California. Please refer to SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for additional information on the public hearings.

ADDRESS: The hearings will be held at the following locations:


Identification is required. If your driver’s license is issued by Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, New York, Oklahoma, or the state of Washington, you must present an additional form of identification to the security staff in order to gain access to the building. The REAL ID Act, passed in 2005, established new requirements for entering federal facilities. These requirements took effect July 21, 2014. If your driver’s license is issued by Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, New York, Oklahoma, or the state of Washington, you must present an additional form of identification to enter the federal building in Washington, DC where the public hearing will be held. Acceptable alternative forms of identification include federal employee badges, passports, enhanced driver’s licenses, and military identification cards. In addition, you will need to obtain a property pass for any personal belongings you bring with you. Upon leaving the building, you will be required to return this property pass to the security desk. No large bags will be allowed in the building, cameras may only be used outside of the building and demonstrations will not be allowed on federal property for security reasons. Individuals planning to attend the public hearing in Sacramento, California will also be required to sign in and show valid picture identification to security staff in order to gain access to the building.

If you would like to present oral testimony at the hearings, please notify Ms. Eloise Shepherd, U.S. EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Mail Code: C504–06, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711; telephone: (919) 541–1146; email address: shepherd.eloise@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed rule for which the EPA is holding the public hearings was published in the Federal Register on December 17, 2014 (79 FR 75234), and is available at www.epa.gov/glo/actions.html. The public hearings will provide interested parties the opportunity to present data, views, or arguments concerning the proposed rule. The EPA may ask clarifying questions during the oral presentations, but will not respond to the presentations at that time. Written statements and supporting information submitted during the comment period will be considered with the same weight as any oral comments and supporting information presented at the public hearings. Written comments must be postmarked by the last day of the comment period, March 17, 2015, as specified in the proposed rule.

The three public hearings will be held in Washington, DC; Arlington, Texas; and Sacramento, California. The public hearings will begin each day at 9:00 a.m. (local time) and continue until 7:30 p.m. (local time). The EPA will make every effort to accommodate all speakers that arrive and register before 7:30 p.m. The EPA is scheduling lunch breaks from 12:30 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Please note that the Washington, D.C. hearing is being held at a U.S. government facility. Individuals planning to attend the Washington, D.C. hearing should be prepared to show valid picture identification to the security staff in order to gain access to the building. The REAL ID Act, passed in 2005, established new requirements for entering federal facilities. These requirements took effect July 21, 2014. If your driver’s license is issued by Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, New York, Oklahoma, or the state of Washington, you must present an additional form of identification to enter the federal building in Washington, DC where the public hearing will be held. Acceptable alternative forms of identification include federal employee badges, passports, enhanced driver’s licenses, and military identification cards. In addition, you will need to obtain a property pass for any personal belongings you bring with you. Upon leaving the building, you will be required to return this property pass to the security desk. No large bags will be allowed in the building, cameras may only be used outside of the building and demonstrations will not be allowed on federal property for security reasons. Individuals planning to attend the public hearing in Sacramento, California will also be required to sign in and show valid picture identification to security staff in order to gain access to the building.

If you would like to present oral testimony at the hearings, please notify Ms. Eloise Shepherd, U.S. EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Mail Code: C504–02, 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711; telephone: (919) 541–5507; fax: (919) 541–0804; email address: shepherd.eloise@epa.gov
[preferred method for registering]. Ms. Shepherd will arrange a general time slot for you to speak. The EPA will make every effort to follow the schedule as closely as possible on the day of the hearings.

Oral testimony will be limited to 5 minutes for each commenter to address the proposed revisions. The EPA will not provide audiovisual equipment for presentations unless we receive special requests in advance. Commenters should notify Ms. Shepherd if they will need specific equipment. Commenters should notify Ms. Shepherd if they need specific translation services for non-English speaking commenters. The EPA encourages commenters to provide written versions of their oral testimonies either electronically on computer disk or CD-ROM or in paper copy.

The hearing schedules, including lists of speakers, will be posted at www.epa.gov/glo/actions.html prior to the hearings. Verbatim transcripts of the hearings and written statements will be included in the rulemaking docket.

How can I get copies of this document and other related information?

The EPA has established the official public docket for the proposed rule under Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2008–0699. The EPA has also developed a Web site for the proposed rule at www.epa.gov/glo/actions.html. Please refer to the proposed rule (79 FR 75234, December 17, 2014) for detailed information on accessing information related to the proposed rule.

Mary E Henigin,
Acting Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards.

B. What are the terms of the FPP conditional approval?

TCEQ's response to the FPP conditional approval.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA–R06–OAR–2013–0542. The 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 the disclosure of which is restricted by statute. Do not submit information through http://www.regulations.gov or email, if you believe that it is CBI or otherwise protected from disclosure. The http://www.regulations.gov Web site is an “anonymous access” system, which means that the 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 the 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, the EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment along with any disk or CD-ROM submitted. If the EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, the EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption and should be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about the EPA’s public docket, visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm.

Docket: The index to the docket for this action is available electronically at www.regulations.gov and in hard copy at the EPA Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas. 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 at either location (e.g., CBI). To inspect the hard copy materials, please schedule an appointment with the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT paragraph below or Mr. Bill Deese at 214–665–7253.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Stephanie Kordzi (6PD–R), Air Permits Section, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue (6PD–R), Suite 1200, Dallas, TX 75202–2733. Telephone (214) 665–7520, email at kordzi.stephanie@epa.gov.

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On July 14, 2014, the EPA took final rulemaking action conditionally approving revisions to the Texas NSR SIP to establish the Texas Minor NSR Flexible Permits Program, submitted by the TCEQ. The EPA’s proposed conditional approval was published in 79 FR 8368, February 12, 2014. The