There is no 2028 safety margin remaining for PM_{2.5}, and the remaining 2028 safety margin for NO{x} is 21.48 tpd. Through this rulemaking, EPA is proposing to approve into the Tennessee SIP the MVEBs for NO{x} and PM_{2.5} for 2014 and 2028 for the Knoxville Area because EPA has determined that the Area maintains the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS with the emissions at the levels of the budgets. The MVEBs for the Knoxville Area were found adequate and are currently being used to determine transportation conformity. After thorough review, EPA is proposing to approve the budgets because they are consistent with maintenance of the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS through 2028.

VII. What is the effect of EPA’s proposed actions?

EPA’s proposed actions establish the basis upon which EPA may take final action on the issues being proposed for approval. Approval of Tennessee’s redesignation request would change the legal designation of Anderson, Blount, Knox, and Loudon Counties and a portion of Roane County for the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS, found at 40 CFR part 81, from nonattainment to attainment. Approval of Tennessee’s associated SIP revision would also incorporate a plan for maintaining the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS in the Area through 2028 and Tennessee’s RACM determination into the Tennessee SIP. The maintenance plan includes contingency measures to remedy any future violations of the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS and procedures for evaluation of potential violations. The maintenance plan also includes NO{x} and PM_{2.5} MVEBs for the Knoxville Area.

VIII. Proposed Actions

EPA is proposing to: (1) Approve Tennessee’s RACM determination for the Knoxville Area pursuant to CAA sections 172(c)(1) and 189(a)(1)(C) and incorporate it into the SIP; (2) approve Tennessee’s plan for maintaining the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS (maintenance plan), including the associated MVEBs for the Knoxville Area, and incorporate it into the SIP; and (3) redesignate the Knoxville Area to attainment for the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS.

If finalized, approval of the redesignation request would change the official designation of Anderson, Blount, Knox, and Loudon Counties and a portion of Roane County for the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS, found at 40 CFR part 81 from nonattainment to attainment, as found at 40 CFR part 81.

IX. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

Under the CAA, redesignation of an area to attainment and the accompanying approval of a maintenance plan under section 107(d)(3)(E) are actions that affect the status of a geographical area and do not impose any additional regulatory requirements on sources beyond those imposed by state law. A redesignation to attainment does not in and of itself create any new requirements, but rather results in the applicability of requirements contained in the CAA for areas that have been redesignated to attainment. Moreover, the Administrator is required to approve a SIP submission that complies with the provisions of the Act and applicable Federal regulations. See 42 U.S.C. 7410(k); 40 CFR 52.02(a). Thus, in reviewing SIP submissions, EPA’s role is to approve state choices, provided that they meet the criteria of the CAA. Accordingly, these proposed actions merely approve Commonwealth law as meeting federal requirements and do not impose additional requirements beyond those imposed by state law. For that reason, these proposed actions:

- Are not significant regulatory actions subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993) and 13563 (76 FR 3821, January 21, 2011);
- do not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.);
- are 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.);
- do not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect state governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–4);
- do not have Federalism implications as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999);
- are not economically significant regulatory actions based on health or safety risks subject to Executive Order 13045 (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997);
- are not significant regulatory actions subject to Executive Order 13211 (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001);
- are not subject to requirements of Section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) because application of those requirements would be inconsistent with the CAA; and
- will not have disproportionate human health or environmental effects under Executive Order 12898 (59 FR 7629, February 16, 1994).

In addition, the SIP is not approved to apply on any Indian reservation land or in any other area where EPA or an Indian tribe has demonstrated that a tribe has jurisdiction. In those areas of Indian country, the rule does not have tribal implications as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000), nor will it impose substantial direct costs of tribal governments or preempt tribal law.

List of Subjects

40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Nitrogen oxides, Particulate matter, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Sulfur oxides, Volatile organic compounds.

40 CFR Part 81

Environmental protection, Air pollution control.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.


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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 52 and 81


Air Plan Approval; Indiana; Redesignation of the Muncie Area to Attainment of the 2008 Lead Standard

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to redesignate the Muncie, Indiana nonattainment area to attainment for the 2008 national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) for lead. EPA is proposing to approve this request and two additional related actions as revisions to the Indiana state implementation plan (SIP). These are the state’s plan for maintaining the 2008 lead NAAQS through 2030 for the area and the 2013 attainment year emissions inventory for the area. EPA is proposing to approve these actions in accordance with the Clean Air Act and EPA’s implementation regulations regarding the 2008 lead NAAQS.
SUMMARY: On December 20, 2016, Tennessee, through the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), submitted a request for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to redesignate the Knoxville-Sevierville-La Follette, TN fine particulate matter (PM$_{2.5}$) nonattainment area (hereinafter referred to as the “Knoxville Area” or “Area”) to attainment for the 1997 Annual PM$_{2.5}$ national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) and to approve a state implementation plan (SIP) revision containing a maintenance plan, a reasonably available control measures (RACM) determination, and source-specific requirements for the Area. EPA is proposing to approve Tennessee’s RACM determination for the Knoxville Area and incorporate it into the SIP; to incorporate source-specific requirements for two sources in the Area into the SIP; determine that the Knoxville Area is attaining the 1997 Annual PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS based on 2013–2015 data; approve Tennessee’s plan for maintaining the 1997 Annual PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS for the Knoxville Area (maintenance plan), including the associated motor vehicle emission budgets (MVEBs) for nitrogen oxides (NO$_x$) and PM$_{2.5}$ for the years 2014 and 2028, and incorporate it into the SIP; and redesignate the Knoxville Area to attainment for the 1997 Annual PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before June 29, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R04–OAR–2016–0137 at http://www.regulations.gov or via email to blakley.pamela@epa.gov. For comments submitted at Regulations.gov, follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from Regulations.gov. For either manner of submission, EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should include discussion of all points you wish to make. EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (i.e. on the web, cloud, or other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit http://www2.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets.

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I. What are the actions EPA is proposing to take?

EPA is proposing to take the following separate but related actions: (1) To approve Tennessee’s RACM determination for the Knoxville Area pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA or Act) sections 172(c)(1) and 189(a)(1)(C) and incorporate it into the SIP; (2) to