

### Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Secretary hereby certifies that this interim final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities as they are defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601–612. This rule will not directly affect any small entities; only individuals will be directly affected. Therefore, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 605(b), this rule is exempt from the initial and final regulatory flexibility analysis requirements of sections 603 and 604.

### Unfunded Mandates

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 requires, at 2 U.S.C. 1532, that agencies prepare an assessment of anticipated costs and benefits before issuing any rule that may result in the expenditure by State, local, and tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100 million or more (adjusted annually for inflation) in any one year. This interim final rule will have no such effect on State, local, and tribal governments, or on the private sector.

### Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number and title for the program affected by this document is 64.116, Vocational Rehabilitation for Disabled Veterans.

### Signing Authority

The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or designee, approved this document and authorized the undersigned to sign and submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Gina S. Farrisee, Deputy Chief of Staff, Department of Veterans Affairs, approved this document on October 23, 2017 for publication.

### List of Subjects in 38 CFR Part 21

Administrative practice and procedure, Armed forces, Civil rights, Claims, Colleges and universities, Conflict of interests, Education, Employment, Grant programs—education, Grant programs—veterans, Health care, Loan programs—education, Loan programs—veterans, Manpower training programs, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Schools, Travel and transportation expenses, Veterans, Vocational education, Vocational rehabilitation.

Dated: November 14, 2017.

**Michael Shores,**

*Director, Office of Regulation Policy & Management, Office of the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

■ For the reasons set out in the preamble, the regulatory amendments in the final rule published in the **Federal Register** on May 2, 2016, at 81 FR 26130, and incorporated in the CFR are affirmed. Only the preamble originally published on May 2, 2016, at 81 FR 26130, is hereby replaced.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### 40 CFR Part 52

[EPA–R03–OAR–2017–0149; FRL–9970–82–Region 3]

#### Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; 2011 Base Year Inventory for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard for the Maryland Portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City Nonattainment Area; Withdrawal

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Withdrawal of direct final rule.

**SUMMARY:** Due to the receipt of an adverse comment, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is withdrawing the September 25, 2017 direct final rule that approved the 2011 base year inventory for the Maryland portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City marginal nonattainment area for the 2008 8-hour ozone national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS). EPA stated in the direct final rule that if EPA received adverse comments by October 25, 2017, the rule would be withdrawn and not take effect. EPA subsequently received an adverse comment. EPA will address the comment received in a subsequent final action based upon the proposed action also published on September 25, 2017. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action.

**DATES:** As of as of November 17, 2017, the direct final rule published at 82 FR 44522 on September 25, 2017 is withdrawn.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 21, 2012, the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City area was designated as

marginal nonattainment for the 2008 8-hour ozone NAAQS. 77 FR 30088. The Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City nonattainment area is comprised of Cecil County in Maryland, as well as counties in Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. Under section 172(c)(3) of the Clean Air Act (CAA), Maryland is required to submit a comprehensive, accurate, and current inventory of actual emissions from all sources of the relevant pollutants, *i.e.* the ozone precursors nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs), in its marginal nonattainment area, *i.e.*, the Maryland portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City nonattainment area. On January 19, 2017, the State of Maryland, through the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE), submitted a formal revision (state implementation plan (SIP) # 16–15) to its SIP. The SIP revision consists of the 2011 base year inventory for the Maryland portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City nonattainment area for the 2008 8-hour ozone NAAQS.

EPA approved Maryland's 2011 base year inventory for the Maryland portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City nonattainment area for the 2008 8-hour ozone NAAQS in the direct final rule published on September 25, 2017 (82 FR 44522). In this direct final rule, we stated that if we received adverse comment by October 25, 2017, the rule would be withdrawn and not take effect. EPA subsequently received an adverse comment. On September 25, 2017 (82 FR 44522), EPA simultaneously proposed to approve Maryland's 2011 base year inventory for the Maryland portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City nonattainment area for the 2008 8-hour ozone NAAQS. EPA will address the comment received in a subsequent final action based upon this proposed action and will not institute a second comment period on this action.

As a result of the comment received, EPA is withdrawing the direct final rule approving Maryland's 2011 base year inventory for the Maryland portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington-Atlantic City nonattainment area for the 2008 8-hour ozone NAAQS.

#### List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Incorporation by reference, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Volatile organic compounds.

Dated: November 3, 2017.

**Cosmo Servidio,**

*Regional Administrator, Region III.*

■ Accordingly, the amendment to § 52.1070(e) published on September 25, 2017 (82 FR 44522), which were to become effective November 24, 2017, is withdrawn.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R07-OAR-2017-0477; FRL-9970-97-Region 7]

#### **Air Quality Implementation Plans; Nebraska; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide and Sulfur Dioxide and the 2012 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Withdrawal**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Withdrawal of direct final rule.

**SUMMARY:** Due to adverse comments, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is withdrawing the direct final rule Approval of Nebraska Air Quality Implementation Plans; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide and Sulfur Dioxide and the 2012 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards, published in the **Federal Register** on September 20, 2017. The direct final rule approved elements of a State Implementation Plan (SIP) submission from the State of Nebraska addressing the applicable requirements of Clean Air Act (CAA) section 110 for the 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) and Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), and the 2012 Fine Particulate Matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) NAAQS. Section 110 of the CAA requires that each state adopt and submit a SIP to support implementation, maintenance, and enforcement of each new or revised NAAQS promulgated by EPA. These SIPs are commonly referred to as “infrastructure” SIPs.

**DATES:** As of November 17, 2017, the direct final rule published at 82 FR 43848, September 20, 2017, is withdrawn.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gregory Crable, Environmental Protection Agency, Air Planning and Development Branch, 11201 Renner Boulevard, Lenexa, Kansas 66219 at

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Due to adverse comments, EPA is withdrawing the direct final rule to approve three Infrastructure SIPs submitted by the State of Nebraska pertaining to the 2010 NO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> NAAQS and the 2012 PM<sub>2.5</sub> NAAQS. In the direct final rule published in the **Federal Register** on September 20, 2017, (82 FR 43848), we stated that if we received adverse comment by October 20, 2017, the rule would be withdrawn and not take effect. EPA received adverse comments. EPA will address those comments in a subsequent final action based upon the proposed action also published in the **Federal Register** on September 20, 2017 (82 FR 43926). EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action.

#### **List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52**

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Intergovernmental relations, Incorporation by reference, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: November 8, 2017.

**Cathy Stepp,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 7.*

#### **PART 52—APPROVAL AND PROMULGATION OF IMPLEMENTATION PLANS**

■ Accordingly, the direct final rule amending 40 CFR 52.1420 published in the **Federal Register** on September 20, 2017 (82 FR 43848), is withdrawn.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R07-OAR-2017-0208; FRL-9970-99-Region 7]

#### **State of Iowa; Elements of the Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) Withdrawal**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Withdrawal of direct final rule.

**SUMMARY:** Due to an adverse comment, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is withdrawing the direct final rule for Approval of Implementation Plans; State of Iowa; Elements of the Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS)

published in the **Federal Register** on September 20, 2017. Infrastructure SIPs address the applicable requirements of Clean Air Act (CAA) section 110, which requires that each state adopt and submit a SIP for the implementation, maintenance, and enforcement of each new or revised NAAQS promulgated by the EPA. These SIPs are commonly referred to as “infrastructure” SIPs. The infrastructure requirements are designed to ensure that the structural components of each state’s air quality management program are adequate to meet the state’s responsibilities under the CAA.

**DATES:** The direct final rule published at 82 FR 43846, September 20, 2017, is withdrawn effective November 17, 2017.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Due to an adverse comment, EPA is withdrawing the direct final rule to approve revisions to the Iowa State Implementation Plan (SIP). In the direct final rule published on September 20, 2017, (82 FR 43846), we stated that if we received adverse comment by October 20, 2017, the rule would be withdrawn and not take effect. EPA received an adverse comment. EPA will address the comment in a subsequent final action based upon the proposed action also published on September 20, 2017. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action.

#### **List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52**

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Nitrogen dioxide, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: November 7, 2017.

**Cathy Stepp,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 7.*

#### **PART 52—APPROVAL AND PROMULGATION OF IMPLEMENTATION PLANS**

■ Accordingly, the amendment to 40 CFR 52.820(e) published in the **Federal Register** on September 20, 2017, (82 FR 43846) is withdrawn effective November 17, 2017.

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