

■ **Par. 3.** Section 1.148–1 is amended by revising the definition of *issue price* in paragraph (b) and adding paragraph (f) to read as follows:

§ 1.148–1 Definitions and elections.

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(b) * * *
Issue price means issue price as defined in paragraph (f) of this section.

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(f) *Definition of issue price*—(1) *In general.* Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph (f), *issue price* is defined in sections 1273 and 1274 and the regulations under those sections.

(2) *Bonds issued for money*—(i) *In general.* The issue price of bonds issued for money is the first price at which a substantial amount of the bonds is sold to the public.

(ii) *Alternative method based on initial offering price.* As an alternative to the general rule in paragraph (f)(2)(i) of this section, if the underwriters have not received orders placed by the public for a substantial amount of tax-exempt bonds on or before the sale date, the issuer may treat the initial offering price to the public as the issue price of the bonds if all of the following requirements are met:

(A) The underwriters fill all orders at the initial offering price placed by the public and received by the underwriters on or before the sale date (to the extent the orders do not exceed the amount of bonds to be sold), and no underwriter fills an order placed by the public and received by the underwriters on or before the sale date at a price higher than the initial offering price.

(B) The issuer obtains from the lead underwriter in the underwriting syndicate or selling group (or, if applicable, the sole underwriter) certification of the following:

(1) The initial offering price;

(2) That the underwriters met the requirements of paragraph (f)(2)(ii)(A) of this section;

(3) That no underwriter will fill an order placed by the public and received after the sale date and before the issue date at a price higher than the initial offering price, except if the higher price is the result of a market change (such as a decline in interest rates) for those bonds after the sale date; and

(4) That the lead (or sole) underwriter will provide the issuer supporting documentation for the matters covered by the certifications in paragraphs (f)(2)(ii)(B)(1) and (2) of this section and, with regard to paragraph (f)(2)(ii)(B)(3) of this section, either documentation regarding any bonds for which an underwriter filled an order placed by the public and received after the sale

date and before the issue date at a price higher than the initial offering price and the corresponding market change for those bonds, or a certification that no underwriter filled such orders at a price higher than the initial offering price.

(C) The issuer does not know or have reason to know, after exercising due diligence, that the certifications described in paragraph (f)(2)(ii)(B) of this section are false.

(3) *Definitions.* For purposes of this paragraph (f), the following definitions apply:

(i) *Public.* *Public* means any person (as defined in section 7701(a)(1)) other than an underwriter or a related party (as defined in § 1.150–1(b)) to an underwriter.

(ii) *Underwriter.* The term *underwriter* include—

(A) Any person (as defined in section 7701(a)(1)) that contractually agrees to participate in the initial sale of the bonds to the public by entering into a contract with the issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate); and

(B) Any person that, on or before the sale date, directly or indirectly enters into a contract or other arrangement with a person described in paragraph (f)(3)(ii)(A) of this section to sell the bonds.

(4) *Special rules.* For purposes of this paragraph (f), the following special rules apply:

(i) *Separate determinations.* The issue price of bonds in an issue that do not have the same credit and payment terms is determined separately.

(ii) *Substantial amount.* Ten percent is a substantial amount.

(iii) *Bonds issued for property.* If a bond is issued for property, the adjusted applicable Federal rate, as determined under section 1288, is used in lieu of the applicable Federal rate to determine the bond's issue price under section 1274.

■ **Par. 4.** Section 1.148–11 is amended by adding paragraph (m) to read as follows:

§ 1.148–11 Effective/applicability dates.

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(m) *Definition of issue price.* The definition of issue price in § 1.148–1(b) and (f) applies to bonds that are sold on or after the date that is 90 days after the date of publication of the Treasury decision adopting these rules as final regulations in the **Federal Register**.

John M. Dalrymple,

Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

38 CFR Parts 17, 51 and 52

RIN 2900–AO88

Per Diem Paid to States for Care of Eligible Veterans in State Homes; Correction

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Proposed rule; correction and clarification.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs is correcting and clarifying a proposed rule that published in the **Federal Register** on June 17, 2015 (80 FR 34794).

DATES: The correction and clarification are effective June 24, 2015. The comments due date remains August 17, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted through

www.Regulations.gov; by mail or hand-delivery to the Director, Regulation Policy and Management (02REG), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Room 1068, Washington, DC 20420; or by fax to (202) 273–9026. Comments should indicate that they are submitted in response to “RIN 2900–AO88—Per Diem Paid to States for Care of Eligible Veterans in State Homes.” Copies of comments received will be available for public inspection in the Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Room 1068, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (except holidays). Please call (202) 461–4902 for an appointment. (This is not a toll-free number.) In addition, during the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Richard Allman, Chief Consultant, Geriatrics and Extended Care Services (10P4G), Veterans Health

Administration, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461–6750. (This is not a toll-free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The VA is correcting and clarifying its proposed rule on Per Diem Paid to States for Care of Eligible Veterans in State Homes that published June 17, 2015, in the **Federal Register** at 80 FR 34794.

Correction

On page 34809, second column, in paragraph (c)(1) of § 51.30, remove

“(except increases described in the first sentence of § 51.20(d)(2) of this part)” and replace it with “(except increases described in the first sentence of this section).”

Clarification

In revising Subpart B—Obtaining Recognition and Certification for Per Diem Payments, the VA inadvertently left out instructions for § 51.41. This section is not changing and will remain in the CFR if this proposed rule is adopted.

Approved: June 19, 2015.

Michael P. Shores,

Chief Impact Analyst, Office of Regulation Policy & Management.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA–R01–OAR–2014–0881; A–1–FRL–9925–87–Region 1]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Connecticut; Ambient Air Quality Standards

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of Connecticut. The revision updates state regulations containing ambient air quality standards (AAQS) to be consistent with EPA’s national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS). The intended effect of this action is to approve these regulations into the Connecticut SIP. This action is being taken in accordance with the Clean Air Act (CAA).

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before July 24, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments identified by Docket ID Number EPA–R01–OAR–2014–0881 for comments by one of the following methods:

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

2. *Email*: arnold.anne@epa.gov.

3. *Fax*: (617) 918–0047.

4. *Mail*: “Docket Identification Number EPA–R01–OAR–2014–0881,” Anne Arnold, Manager, Air Quality Planning Unit, Office of Ecosystem Protection, U.S. Environmental

Protection Agency, EPA New England Regional Office, 5 Post Office Square—Suite 100, (Mail code OEP05–2), Boston, MA 02109–3912.

5. *Hand Delivery or Courier*. Deliver your comments to: Anne Arnold, Manager, Air Quality Planning Unit, Office of Ecosystem Protection, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA New England Regional Office, 5 Post Office Square—Suite 100, (Mail code OEP05–2), Boston, MA 02109–3912. 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 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding legal 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:

David Mackintosh, Air Quality Planning Unit, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, New England Regional Office, 5 Post Office Square—Suite 100, (Mail Code OEP05–02), Boston, MA 02109–3912, telephone 617–918–1584, facsimile 617–918–0584, email mackintosh.david@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the Final Rules Section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State’s SIP submittal 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. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

For additional information, see the direct final rule which is located in the Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: March 26, 2015.

H. Curtis Spalding,

Regional Administrator, EPA New England.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA–R05–OAR–2014–0657; FRL–9929–45–Region 5]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Michigan; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2008 Ozone, 2010 NO₂, 2010 SO₂, and 2012 PM_{2.5} NAAQS; Michigan State Board Requirements

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve elements of state implementation plan (SIP) submissions from Michigan regarding the infrastructure requirements of section 110 of the Clean Air Act (CAA) for the 2008 ozone, 2010 nitrogen dioxide (NO₂), 2010 sulfur dioxide (SO₂), and 2012 fine particulate (PM_{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). 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. EPA is also proposing to approve a submission from Michigan addressing the state board requirements under section 128 of the CAA.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 24, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R05–OAR–2014–0657 by one of the following methods:

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

2. *Email*: aburano.douglas@epa.gov.

3. *Fax*: (312) 408–2279.

4. *Mail*: Douglas Aburano, Chief, Attainment Planning and Maintenance Section, Air Programs Branch (AR–18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

5. *Hand Delivery*: Douglas Aburano, Chief, Attainment Planning and Maintenance Section, Air Programs Branch (AR–18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. Such deliveries are only accepted