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40 CFR Part 60


The 2015 NSPS finalizes amendments to the 1988 Standards of Performance for New Residential Wood Heaters (40 CFR part 60, subpart AAA), i.e., the 1988 NSPS, and adds one new subpart: Standards of Performance for the New Residential Hydronic Heaters and Forced-Air Furnaces (40 CFR part 60, subpart QQQQ). The 2015 NSPS was developed following a CAA section 111(b)(1)(B) review of the 1988 NSPS (53 FR 5860, February 26, 1988). This information is contained in the docket, which is available at http://www.regulations.gov. On February 3, 2015, the EPA proposed Standards of Performance for New Residential Wood Heaters, new Residential Hydronic Heaters and Forced-Air Furnaces (79 FR 6373). The EPA received additional data and comments during the public comment period. These data and comments were considered and analyzed and, where appropriate, the EPA revised the proposed rule. The final rule was published on March 16, 2015 (80 FR 13671).

On June 2, 2015, Richard S. Burns & Company, Inc. (“Burns”) submitted a petition for reconsideration of the 2015 NSPS (80 FR 13671, March 16, 2015). In its petition, Burns asks the EPA to reconsider aspects of the final rule’s pellet fuel requirements in 40 CFR
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40 CFR Parts 271 and 272

[rule information]

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: During a review of Louisiana’s regulations, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) identified a variety of State-initiated changes to its hazardous waste program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The EPA has determined that these changes are minor and satisfy all requirements needed to qualify for final authorization and is authorizing the State-initiated changes through this direct final action.

The Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended, commonly referred to as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), allows the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to authorize States to operate their hazardous waste management programs in lieu of the Federal program. The EPA uses the regulations entitled “Approved State Hazardous Waste Management Programs” to provide notice of the authorization status of State programs and to incorporate by reference those provisions of the State statutes and regulations that will be subject to the EPA’s inspection and enforcement. The rule codifies in the regulations the prior approval of Louisiana’s hazardous waste management program and incorporates by reference authorized provisions of the State’s statutes and regulations.

The EPA is publishing this rule to authorize the State-initiated changes and incorporate by reference the State’s hazardous waste program without a prior proposal because we believe these actions are not controversial and do not expect comments that oppose them. Unless we receive written comments which oppose the authorization in this codification document during the comment period, the decision to authorize Louisiana’s State-initiated changes to its hazardous waste program will take effect. If we receive comments that oppose the authorization, we will publish a document in the Federal Register withdrawing this rule before it takes effect, and a separate document in the proposed rules section of this Federal Register will serve as a proposal to authorize the State-initiated changes.

DATES: This regulation will be effective December 20, 2016, unless the EPA receives adverse written comment by November 21, 2016. If the EPA receives such comment, it will publish a timely withdrawal of this direct final rule in the Federal Register and inform the public that this rule will not take effect. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference as of December 20, 2016 in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

ADDRESSES: Submit any comments identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R06–RCRA–2015–0664, by one of the following methods:


2. Email: patterson.alima@epa.gov or banks.julia@epa.gov.

3. Mail: Alima Patterson, Region 6, Regional Authorization Coordinator, or Julia Banks, Codification Coordinator, Permit Section (RPM), Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division, EPA Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733.

4. Hand Delivery or Courier: Deliver your comments to Alima Patterson, Region 6, Regional Authorization Coordinator, or Julia Banks, Codification Coordinator, Permit Section (RPM), Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division, EPA Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733.

Instructions: Do not submit information that you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or otherwise protected through http://www.regulations.gov, or email. Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA–R06–RCRA–2015–0664. The Federal http://www.regulations.gov Web site is an “anonymous access” system, which means 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

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