

EPA-APPROVED NEBRASKA REGULATIONS—Continued

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Title 115—Rules of Practice and Procedure				
115-1	Definitions of Terms	6/8/2004	[date of final publication in the Federal Register] [final Federal Register citation].	
115-2	Petition for Declaratory Order	6/8/2004	[date of final publication in the Federal Register] [final Federal Register citation].	
115-3	Public Records Availability	6/8/2004	[date of final publication in the Federal Register] [final Federal Register citation].	
115-4	Confidentiality for Trade Secrets	6/8/2004	[date of final publication in the Federal Register] [final Federal Register citation].	
115-5	Public Hearings	6/8/2004	[date of final publication in the Federal Register] [final Federal Register citation].	
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115-7	Contested Cases	6/8/2004	[date of final publication in the Federal Register] [final Federal Register citation].	
115-8	Intervention in a Contested Case	6/8/2004	[date of final publication in the Federal Register] [final Federal Register citation].	
115-9	Ex Parte Communications Prohibited	6/8/2004	[date of final publication in the Federal Register] [final Federal Register citation].	
115-10	Petition for Rulemaking	6/8/2004	[date of final publication in the Federal Register] [final Federal Register citation].	

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R07-OAR-2018-0261; FRL-9978-78—Region 7]

Approval of Missouri Air Quality Implementation Plans; Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2012 Annual Fine Particulate Matter (PM_{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standard Interstate Transport

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve elements of a State Implementation Plan (SIP) submission from the State of Missouri for the 2012 Annual Fine Particulate Matter (PM_{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). States are required to have a SIP that provides for the implementation, maintenance, and enforcement of the NAAQS. Whenever EPA promulgates a new or revised NAAQS, states are required to make a SIP submission to establish that they have, or to add, the provisions necessary to address various requirements to address the new or revised NAAQS. 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. In this action EPA is proposing to approve the interstate transportation obligations of the State’s 2012 PM_{2.5} NAAQS infrastructure SIP submittal.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 5, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R07-OAR-2018-0261, to <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from *Regulations.gov*. The 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. The 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 <https://www2.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets>.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Throughout this document “we,” “us,” and “our” refer to EPA. This section provides additional information by addressing the following:

- I. What is being addressed in this document?
- II. Have the requirements for approval of a SIP submission been met?
- III. What action is EPA taking?
- IV. Incorporation by Reference
- V. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

I. What is being addressed in this document?

EPA is proposing to approve the submittal as meeting the submittal requirement of section 110(a)(1). EPA is proposing to approve certain elements of the infrastructure SIP submission from the State of Missouri received on October 14, 2015. Specifically, EPA is proposing to approve the following elements of section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I)—significant contribution to nonattainment (prong 1), and interfering with maintenance of the NAAQS (prong 2). EPA has already addressed elements of 110(a)(2) including: (A) Through (C), (D)(i)(II)—prevention of significant

deterioration of air quality (prong 3), (D)(ii), and (E) through (M) in separate rulemaking (see docket EPA–R07–OAR–2017–0513). EPA intends to act on section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(II)—protection of visibility (prong 4) in a subsequent rulemaking.

A Technical Support Document (TSD) is included as part of this docket to discuss the details of this action, including analysis of how the SIP meets the applicable 110 requirements for infrastructure SIPs.

II. Have the requirements for approval of a SIP submission been met?

The state's submission has met the public notice requirements for SIP submissions in accordance with 40 CFR 51.102. The state held a public comment period from July 27, 2015, to September 3, 2015. The state received no comments during the public comment period. A public hearing was held on August 27, 2015. The submission satisfied the completeness criteria of 40 CFR part 51, appendix V. As explained in more detail in the TSD, which is part of this docket, the submittal meets the substantive SIP requirements of the CAA, including section 110 and implementing regulations.

III. What action is EPA taking?

EPA is proposing to approve the following elements of October 14, 2015, infrastructure SIP submission from the State of Missouri: Section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I)—significant contribution to nonattainment (prong 1), and interfering with maintenance of the NAAQs (prong 2) as applicable to the 2012 Annual PM_{2.5} NAAQS.

IV. Incorporation by Reference

In this action, EPA is proposing to include in a final EPA rule regulatory text that includes incorporation by reference. In accordance with requirements of 1 CFR 51.5, EPA is proposing to incorporate by reference the Missouri Regulations described in the amendments to 40 CFR part 52 set forth below. EPA has made, and will continue to make, these materials generally available through <https://www.regulations.gov> and at the EPA

Region 7 Office (please contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this preamble for more information).

V. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

Under the CAA, the Administrator is required to approve a SIP submission that complies with the provisions of the Act and applicable Federal regulations. 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, this action merely approves state law as meeting Federal requirements and does not impose additional requirements beyond those imposed by state law. For that reason, this action:

- Is not a significant regulatory action subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Orders 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993) and 13563 (76 FR 3821, January 21, 2011);
- Is not an Executive Order 13771 (82 FR 9339, February 2, 2017) regulatory action because SIP approvals are exempted under Executive Order 12866.
- Does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*);
- Is 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.*);
- Does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–4);
- Does not have Federalism implications as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999);
- Is not an economically significant regulatory action based on health or safety risks subject to Executive Order 13045 (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997);
- Is not a significant regulatory action subject to Executive Order 13211 (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001);

- Is not subject to requirements of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTA) because this rulemaking does not involve technical standards; and

- Does not provide EPA with the discretionary authority to address, as appropriate, disproportionate human health or environmental effects, using practicable and legally permissible methods, under Executive Order 12898 (59 FR 7629, February 16, 1994).

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 and will not impose substantial direct costs on tribal governments or preempt tribal law as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

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

Dated: May 21, 2018.

Karen A. Flournoy,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 7.

For the reasons stated in the preamble, EPA proposes to amend 40 CFR part 52 as set forth below:

PART 52—APPROVAL AND PROMULGATION OF IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

- 1. The authority citation for part 52 continues to read as follows:

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

Subpart AA—Missouri

- 2. In § 52.1320, the table in paragraph (e) is amended by adding the entry “(74)” in numerical order to read as follows:

§ 52.1320 Identification of plan.

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EPA—APPROVED MISSOURI NONREGULATORY SIP PROVISIONS

Name of nonregulatory SIP provision	Applicable geographic or non-attainment area	State submittal date	EPA approval date	Explanation
(74) Section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I)—significant contribution to nonattainment (prong 1), and interfering with maintenance of the NAAQs (prong 2) (Interstate Transport) Infrastructure Requirements for the 2012 Annual Fine Particulate Matter (PM _{2.5}) NAAQS.	Statewide	10/14/2015	6/5/2018, [insert Federal Register citation]	This action approves the following CAA elements: 110(a)(1) and 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I)—prongs 1 and 2 [EPA–R07–OAR–2018–0261; FRL–9978–78–Region 7].

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**40 CFR Part 52**

[EPA–R01–OAR–2018–0098; FRL–9978–71–Region 1]

Air Plan Approval; Rhode Island; Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions, Control of Nitrogen Oxide Emissions, and Sulfur Content of Fuels**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 Rhode Island. This revision updates Rhode Island Air Pollution Control Regulations (APCRs) for volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions, nitrogen oxide (NO_x) emissions, sulfur content in fuel requirements and associated general definitions. The intended effect of this action is to propose approval of the revised regulations. This action is being taken under the Clean Air Act.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before July 5, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R01–OAR–2018–0098 at www.regulations.gov, or via email to Mackintosh.David@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, the 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

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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I. Background and Purpose

On February 10, 2017, the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM) submitted to EPA a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision containing six revised Air Pollution Control Regulations (APCRs): No. 8, “Sulfur Content of Fuels;” No. 19, “Control of Volatile Organic Compounds from Surface Coating Operations;” No. 27, “Control of Nitrogen Oxide Emissions;” No. 35, “Control of Volatile Organic Compounds and Volatile Hazardous Air Pollutants from Wood Products Manufacturing Operations;” No. 36, “Control of Emission from Organic Solvent Cleaning;” and General Definitions. The amended APCR became effective in Rhode Island on January 9, 2017.

EPA has previously approved these Rhode Island APCR into the Rhode Island SIP. APCR No. 8, “Sulfur Content of Fuels,” was last approved on October 7, 2015 (80 FR 60541), APCR No. 19, “Control of Volatile Organic Compounds from Surface Coating Operations,” on July 22, 2016 (81 FR 47708), APCR No. 27, “Control of Nitrogen Oxide Emissions,” and APCR No. 35, “Control of Volatile Organic Compounds and Volatile Hazardous Air Pollutants from Wood Products Manufacturing Operations,” on July 22, 2016 (81 FR 47708), APCR No. 36, “Control of Emission from Organic Solvent Cleaning,” on March 13, 2012 (77 FR 14691), and APCR General Definitions on March 13, 2012 (77 FR 14691).

II. EPA’s Evaluation of the Submittal

Rhode Island’s submittal states that RI DEM has revised APCR No. 8, “Sulfur Content of Fuels,” to correct a mistake made when it revised the regulation in 2014. The purpose of the 2014 revision was to limit the sulfur content of certain fuel oils, which the regulation divided