Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Before The Environmental Quality Council By the Department of Environmental Quality Air Quality Division (AQD)

The Environmental Quality Council (EQC) will hold a public hearing beginning at 8:30 AM on January 13, 2012. The hearing will be held at the Greybull Bank, Basement Conference Rm., 601 Greybull Ave., Greybull, Wyoming.

The Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division (AQD or Division), is proposing to revise Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations (WAQSR) Chapter 3, General Emission Standards, Chapter 5, National Emission Standards, Chapter 6, Permitting Requirements, Chapter 11, National Acid Rain Program, and Chapter 14, Emission Trading Program Regulations. Many of these changes involve updates to sections adopted by reference from the 2010 Code of Federal Regulations. The Division is also making minor corrections to these chapters. Additional changes to Chapter 5 involve the removal of certain subsections from Sections 2 and 3. Chapter 6, Section 4, will be revised to include PM_{2.5} increments to bring this section up to date with federal requirements. The requirements in Chapter 6, Section 5, will be removed and adopted by reference in Chapter 5, Section 3. Chapter 14, Section 4, Mercury trading program, will be removed to maintain consistency with federal regulations. Chapter 3, Section 9, Chapter 6, Sections 4 and 14, and Chapter 14, Sections 3 and 5, involve changes to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to satisfy Clean Air Act (CAA) Sections 110, 166, and 169. The AQD will submit these SIP changes to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The notice for submitting written comments on the WDEQ/AQD proposed revisions was first published on November 16, 2011. The written comment period will close on December 30, 2011. Written comments will also become a part of the public record if they are signed by the commenter and submitted to Administrator, WDEQ/AQD, Herschler Building 2-E, 122 W. 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 82002, or faxed to 307-777-5616. Copies of the public notice and the proposed rules are available for public inspection at the Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division, Herschler Building, 2nd Floor, 122 W. 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Electronic copies are available at http://deq.state.wy.us/aqd/index.asp and the EQC website stated below. If you have questions regarding the proposed rules, contact Christine Anderson, Air Quality Division, at 307-675-5624.

The WDEQ/AQD will file an analysis of the comments received. The EQC has scheduled the public hearing on January 13, 2012. The EQC will consider the proposed rules, written comments, and the analysis of comments, along with any modifications proposed by the WDEQ/AQD to the draft rules. At the public hearing, oral statements that focus on the written comments, the DEQ's analysis of comments and issues raised by the analysis will be accepted. Comments submitted during the comment period can be viewed at the EQC website: http://eqc.state.wy.us/docket.htm under the link titled "11-2101".

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