

making the contribution or payment is under no legal obligation to do so.

(c) *Burial expenses paid by other agencies of the United States.* (1) *Burial allowance when Federal law or regulation also provides for payment.*

VA cannot pay the nonservice-connected burial allowance when any Federal law or regulation also specifically provides for the payment of the deceased veteran's burial expenses. However, VA will pay the nonservice-connected burial allowance when a Federal law or regulation allows the payment of burial expenses using funds due, or accrued to the credit of, the deceased (such as Social Security benefits), but the law or regulation does not specifically require such payment. In such cases, VA will pay the difference between the total burial expenses and the amount paid thereon under such provision, not to exceed the amount specified in 38 U.S.C. 2302.

(2) *Payment by service department.* Burial allowance is not payable for deaths in active military service, or for other deaths where the burial expenses are paid by the service department.

(3) *When veteran dies while hospitalized.* When a veteran dies while hospitalized at the expense of the United States government (including death in a VA facility), the veteran's service department may be authorized to pay burial benefits under 10 U.S.C. 1481 or to reimburse an individual who paid such expenses under 10 U.S.C. 1482. The deceased veteran may also qualify for VA burial benefits. Only one of these benefits is payable. VA will attempt to locate the nearest relative or person entitled to reimbursement and will ask that individual to elect between these benefits.

(d) *Effect of payments made to a designated beneficiary of contract or insurance policy.* A contract or insurance policy that provides for payment on the death of a veteran to a designated beneficiary, who is not the person that actually provided the burial and funeral services, will not bar payment of burial benefits to the beneficiary. Payment is not barred even if the organization that issued the contract or policy has the option of making payment directly to the provider of the burial and funeral services.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 2302(b), 2307)

§ 5.652 Effect of forfeiture on payment of burial benefits.

(a) *Forfeiture for fraud.* VA will pay burial benefits, if otherwise in order, based on a deceased veteran whose rights to receive VA benefits were forfeited due to fraud under § 5.676. However, VA will not pay burial

benefits to a claimant who participated in fraudulent activity that resulted in forfeiture under § 5.676.

(b) *Forfeiture for reasonable acts or for subversive activity.* Burial benefits are not payable based on a period of service commencing prior to the date of commission of the offense where either the veteran or claimant has forfeited the right to gratuitous benefits § 5.677 or § 5.678 by reason of a treasonable act or subversive activities, unless the offense was pardoned by the President of the United States.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 6103, 6104, 6105)

§ 5.653 Eligibility based on status before 1958.

When any person who had a status under any law in effect on December 1, 1957, which afforded entitlement to burial benefits dies, the burial allowance will be paid, if otherwise in order, even though such status does not meet the service requirements of 38 U.S.C. chapter 23.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 2305)

§§ 5.654–5.659 [Reserved]

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R04-OAR-2008-0036-200801(b); FRL-8552-1]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Carolina: Approval of Revisions to the 1-Hour Ozone Maintenance Plan for the Raleigh/Durham and Greensboro/Winston-Salem/High Point Areas

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve a February 4, 2008, revision to the State Implementation Plan submitted by the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources on behalf of the State of North Carolina for the purpose of revising the subarea motor vehicle emissions budgets (MVEBs) for volatile organic compounds and nitrogen oxides for the Greensboro/Winston-Salem/High Point area. The Greensboro/Winston-Salem/High Point 1-hour ozone maintenance area (also referred to as the "Triad Area") is comprised of Davidson, Forsyth, and Guilford Counties and a portion of Davie County. The revisions to the

subarea MVEBs are approvable because of an available safety margin for volatile organic compounds and nitrogen oxides for this Area.

In the Final Rules Section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's SIP revision 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 on this document. Any parties interested in commenting on this document should do so at this time.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before May 8, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R04-OAR-2008-0036, by one of the following methods:

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

(a) *E-mail:* ward.nacosta@epa.gov or wood.amanetta@epa.gov.

(b) *Fax:* (404) 562-9019.

2. *Mail:* EPA-R04-OAR-2008-0036, Regulatory Development Section, Air Planning Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960.

3. Nacosta C. Ward, Regulatory Development Section, or Amanetta Wood, Air Quality Modeling Transportation Section, of the Air Planning Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960. 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 to 4:30, excluding federal 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: Ms. Nacosta C. Ward of the Regulatory Development Section, or Ms. Amanetta Wood, Air Quality Modeling Transportation Section, Air Planning

Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960. The telephone numbers are (404) 562-9140 and (404) 562-9025 respectively. Ms. Nacosta Ward can be reached via electronic mail at ward.nacosta@epa.gov Ms. Amanetta Wood can be reached via electronic mail at wood.amanetta@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information see the direct final rule which is published in the Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: March 27, 2008.

J.I. Palmer, Jr.,

Regional Administrator, Region 4.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 62

[EPA-R03-OAR-2008-MD-0209; FRL-8552-6]

Approval and Promulgation of State Air Quality Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; State of Maryland; Control of Large Municipal Waste Combustor (LMWC) Emissions From Existing Facilities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA proposes to approve the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) large municipal waste combustor plan (the plan) revision for implementing Clean Air Act (the Act) emission guideline (EG) amendments promulgated by EPA on May 10, 2006. The plan revision establishes revised emission limits, monitoring, and recordkeeping requirements for existing LMWC units with a unit capacity greater than 250 tons per day (TPD). An existing LMWC unit is one for which construction commenced on or before September 20, 1994. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's 111(d)/129 plan revision 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 description for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this action, 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.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing by May 8, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID Number EPA-R03-OAR-2008-MD-0209 by one of the following methods:

A. <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

B. *E-mail:* [http://wilkie.walter@epa.gov](mailto:wilkie.walter@epa.gov).

C. *Mail:* EPA-R03-OAR-2008-MD-0209, Walter Wilkie, Chief, Air Quality Analysis Branch, Mailcode 3AP22, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103.

D. *Hand Delivery:* At the previously-listed EPA Region III address. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-R03-OAR-2008-MD-0209. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change, and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through <http://www.regulations.gov>, your e-mail 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, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment.

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Docket: All documents in the electronic docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, i.e., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the Internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy during normal business hours at the Air Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103. Copies of the State submittal are available at the Maryland Department of the Environment, 1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 705, Baltimore, Maryland 21230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James B. Topsale, P.E., at (215) 814-2190, or by e-mail at topsale.jim@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For further information, please see the information provided in the direct final action, with the same title, that is located in the "Rules and Regulations" section for this **Federal Register** publication.

Dated: March 31, 2008.

Donald S. Welsh,

Regional Administrator, Region III.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

48 CFR Parts 32, 43, 52, and 53

[FAR Case 2005-032; Docket 2008-0002; Sequence 4]

RIN: 9000-AI47

Federal Acquisition Regulation; FAR Case 2005-032, Contractor's Request for Progress Payments

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.