

(4) specified performance objectives; (5) identified and assessed available alternatives; (6) involved the public in an open exchange of information and perspectives among experts in relevant disciplines, affected stakeholders in the private sector and the public as a whole, and provided on-line access to the rulemaking docket; (7) attempted to promote coordination, simplification, and harmonization across government agencies and identified goals designed to promote innovation; (8) considered approaches that reduce burdens and maintain flexibility and freedom of choice for the public; and (9) ensured the objectivity of scientific and technological information and processes.

E. Executive Order 13132

(Federalism): This rulemaking does not contain policies with federalism implications sufficient to warrant preparation of a Federalism Assessment under Executive Order 13132 (Aug. 4, 1999).

F. Executive Order 13175 (Tribal Consultation): This rulemaking will not: (1) Have substantial direct effects on one or more Indian tribes; (2) impose substantial direct compliance costs on Indian tribal governments; or (3) preempt tribal law. Therefore, a tribal summary impact statement is not required under Executive Order 13175 (Nov. 6, 2000).

G. Executive Order 13211 (Energy Effects): This rulemaking is not a significant energy action under Executive Order 13211 because this rulemaking is not likely to have a significant adverse effect on the supply, distribution, or use of energy. Therefore, a Statement of Energy Effects is not required under Executive Order 13211 (May 18, 2001).

H. Executive Order 12988 (Civil Justice Reform): This rulemaking meets applicable standards to minimize litigation, eliminate ambiguity, and reduce burden as set forth in sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988 (Feb. 5, 1996).

I. Executive Order 13045 (Protection of Children): This rulemaking does not concern an environmental risk to health or safety that may disproportionately affect children under Executive Order 13045 (Apr. 21, 1997).

J. Executive Order 12630 (Taking of Private Property): This rulemaking will not effect a taking of private property or otherwise have taking implications under Executive Order 12630 (Mar. 15, 1988).

K. Congressional Review Act: Under the Congressional Review Act provisions of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of

1996 (5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*), the United States Patent and Trademark Office will submit a report containing this final rule and other required information to the United States Senate, the United States House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the Government Accountability Office. The changes in this rulemaking will not result in an annual effect on the economy of 100 million dollars or more, a major increase in costs or prices, or significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or the ability of United States-based enterprises to compete with foreign-based enterprises in domestic and export markets. Therefore, this rulemaking is not a “major rule” as defined in 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

L. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995: The changes set forth in this rulemaking do not involve a Federal intergovernmental mandate that will result in the expenditure by State, local, and tribal governments, in the aggregate, of 100 million dollars (as adjusted) or more in any one year, or a Federal private sector mandate that will result in the expenditure by the private sector of 100 million dollars (as adjusted) or more in any one year, and will not significantly or uniquely affect small governments. Therefore, no actions are necessary under the provisions of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995. *See* 2 U.S.C. 1501 *et seq.*

M. National Environmental Policy Act: This rulemaking will not have any effect on the quality of the environment and is thus categorically excluded from review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. *See* 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*

N. National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act: The requirements of section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) are not applicable because this rulemaking does not contain provisions which involve the use of technical standards.

O. Paperwork Reduction Act: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) requires that the Office consider the impact of paperwork and other information collection burdens imposed on the public. The rules of practice pertaining to patent term adjustment and extension have been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) under OMB control number 0651-0020. The changes in this rulemaking: (1) Revise the date from which the fourteen-month period in 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(A)(i) is measured in an

international application for consistency with the change to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(A)(i)(II); and (2) revise (extend) the time period for seeking reconsideration of the Office’s patent term adjustment in view of the changes in 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(3) and (b)(4). This rulemaking does not add any additional requirements (including information collection requirements) or fees for patent applicants or patentees. Therefore, the Office is not resubmitting information collection packages to OMB for its review and approval because the changes in this rulemaking do not affect the information collection requirements associated with the information collections approved under OMB control number 0651-0020 or any other information collections.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number.

List of Subjects in 37 CFR Part 1

Administrative practice and procedure, Courts, Freedom of Information, Inventions and patents, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Small businesses.

■ For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the interim rule amending 37 CFR part 1 which was published at 78 FR 19416 on April 1, 2013, is adopted as a final rule without change.

Dated: May 9, 2014.

Michelle K. Lee,

Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R09-OAR-2014-0172; FRL-9910-85-Region 9]

Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan; Ventura County Air Pollution Control District; Reasonably Available Control Technology for Ozone

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is finalizing approval of revisions to the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District (VCAPCD) portion of the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). This action was proposed in the **Federal Register** on March 10, 2014 and concerns the District’s reasonably available control technology (RACT) requirements under the 1997 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). We are approving this document under the Clean Air Act (CAA or the Act).

DATES: This rule will be effective on June 16, 2014.

ADDRESSES: EPA has established docket number EPA–R09–OAR–2014–0172 for this action. Generally, documents in the docket for this action are available electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at EPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105–3901. While all documents in the docket are listed at <http://www.regulations.gov>, some information may be publicly available only at the hard copy location (e.g., copyrighted material, large maps, multi-volume reports), and some may not be available in either location (e.g., confidential business information (CBI)). To inspect the hard copy materials, please schedule an appointment during normal business

hours with the contact listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stanley Tong, EPA Region IX, (415) 947–4122, tong.stanley@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Throughout this document, “we,” “us” and “our” refer to EPA.

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I. Proposed Action.

On March 10, 2014 (79 FR 13266), EPA proposed to approve the following document into the California SIP.

Local agency	Document	Adopted	Submitted
VCAPCD	Reasonably Available Control Technology State Implementation Plan Revision (2009 RACT SIP Revision) as adopted September 15, 2009 (“2009 RACT SIP”).	9/15/09	11/17/09

VCAPCD’s submittal also included the following negative declarations which the District certified that it had

no sources subject to the control techniques guidelines (CTG) documents.

CTG source category	CTG document title
Flat Wood Paneling Coatings	EPA–453/R06–004 <i>Control Techniques Guidelines for Flat Wood Paneling Coatings.</i>
Large Appliance Coatings	EPA–453/R–07–004 <i>Control Techniques Guidelines for Large Appliance Coatings.</i>
Paper, Film and Foil Coatings	EPA–453/R–07–003 <i>Control Techniques Guidelines for Paper, Film, and Foil Coatings.</i>
Automobile and Light-Duty Truck Assembly Coatings.	EPA–452/R–08–006 <i>Control Techniques Guidelines for Automobile and Light-Duty Truck Assembly Coatings.</i>
Miscellaneous Industrial Adhesives	EPA 453/R–08–005 <i>Control Techniques Guidelines for Miscellaneous Industrial Adhesives.</i>
Flexible Package Printing	EPA 453/R–06–003 <i>Control Techniques Guidelines for Flexible Package Printing.</i>
Metal Furniture Coatings	EPA 453/R–07–005 <i>Control Techniques Guidelines for Metal Furniture Coatings.</i>
Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Materials	EPA 453/R–08–004 <i>Control Techniques Guidelines for Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Materials.</i>

We proposed to approve VCAPCD’s 2009 RACT SIP including the above negative declarations because we determined that it complied with the relevant CAA requirements. Our proposed action contains more information on the submitted document and our evaluation.

II. Public Comments and EPA Responses

EPA’s proposed action provided a 30-day public comment period. During this period, we received no comments.

III. EPA Action

No comments were submitted. Therefore, as authorized in section 110(k)(3) of the Act, EPA is fully approving this document, including the negative declarations into the California SIP.

IV. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

Under the Clean Air Act, 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 Clean Air Act. 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 Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993);
- 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 Section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement

Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) because application of those requirements would be inconsistent with the Clean Air Act; and

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

In addition, this rule does not have tribal implications as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000), because the SIP is not approved to apply in Indian country located in the State, and EPA notes that it will not impose substantial direct costs on tribal governments or preempt tribal law.

The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 et seq., as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. EPA will submit a report containing this action and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. A major rule cannot take effect until 60 days after it is published in the **Federal Register**. This action is not a “major rule” as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

Under section 307(b)(1) of the Clean Air Act, petitions for judicial review of this action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit by July 14, 2014. Filing a petition for reconsideration by the Administrator of this final rule does not affect the finality of this action for the purposes of judicial review nor does it extend the time within which a petition for judicial review may be filed, and shall not postpone the effectiveness of such rule or action. This action may not be challenged later in proceedings to enforce its requirements (see section 307(b)(2)).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Volatile organic compounds.

Dated: April 25, 2014.

Jared Blumenfeld,

Regional Administrator, Region IX.

Part 52, Chapter I, Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

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 F—California

■ 2. Section 52.220 is amended by adding paragraph (c)(437) to read as follows:

§ 52.220 Identification of plan.

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(437) New and amended regulations for the following APCD was submitted on November 17, 2009 by the Governor’s designee.

(i) [Reserved]

(ii) Additional Material

(A) Ventura County Air Pollution Control District.

(1) Reasonably Available Control Technology State Implementation Plan Revision (2009 RACT SIP Revision) as adopted on September 15, 2009 (“2009 RACT SIP”).

■ 3. Section 52.222 is amended by adding paragraph (a)(10)(i) to read as follows:

§ 52.222 Negative declarations.

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(10) Ventura County Air Pollution Control District.

(i) EPA-453/R06-004 Control Techniques Guidelines for Flat Wood Paneling Coatings; EPA-453/R-07-004 Control Techniques Guidelines for Large Appliance Coatings; EPA-453/R-07-003 Control Techniques Guidelines for Paper, Film, and Foil Coatings; EPA-452/R-08-006 Control Techniques Guidelines for Automobile and Light-Duty Truck Assembly Coatings; EPA 453/R-08-005 Control Techniques Guidelines for Miscellaneous Industrial Adhesives; EPA 453/R-06-003 Control Techniques Guidelines for Flexible Package Printing; EPA 453/R-07-005 Control Techniques Guidelines for Metal Furniture Coatings; and EPA 453/R-08-004 Control Techniques Guidelines for Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Materials were

submitted on November 17, 2009 and adopted on September 15, 2009.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R07-OAR-2014-0165; FRL-9910-67-Region-7]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Iowa

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is approving revisions to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the State of Iowa. This action will amend the SIP to include revised permitting regulations to allow facilities to construct or modify existing sources in areas that are not in attainment with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards. The rule revisions incorporate Federal regulation by reference. The provisions from previous nonattainment permitting rules are being retained and are now relocated to Chapter 31 “Nonattainment Areas”. EPA is also acting to approve the SIP to update the rule revisions for the definition of excess emissions and conformity of general actions rule.

DATES: This direct final rule will be effective July 14, 2014, without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse comment by June 16, 2014. If EPA receives adverse comment, we will publish a timely withdrawal of the direct final rule in the **Federal Register** informing the public that the rule will not take effect.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R07-OAR-2014-0165, by one of the following methods:

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

2. *Email:* Algoe-eakin.amy@epa.gov.

3. *Mail or Hand Delivery:* Amy Algoe-Eakin, Environmental Protection Agency, Air Planning and Development Branch, 11201 Renner Boulevard, Lenexa, Kansas 66219.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-R07-OAR-2014-0165. EPA’s policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at *www.regulations.gov*, including any