

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**40 CFR Parts 52 and 81**

[EPA–R03–OAR–2014–0868; FRL–9926–43–Region 3]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Redesignation Request and Associated Maintenance Plan for the Pennsylvania Portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE Nonattainment Area for the 1997 Annual and 2006 24-Hour Fine Particulate Matter Standard

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is approving the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's request to redesignate to attainment the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE Nonattainment Area (Philadelphia Area or Area) for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS or standard). EPA has determined that the Philadelphia Area attained both the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS. In addition, EPA is approving as a revision to the Pennsylvania State Implementation Plan (SIP) the associated maintenance plan to show maintenance of the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS through 2025 for the Pennsylvania portion of the Area. The maintenance plan includes the 2017 and 2025 PM_{2.5} and nitrogen oxides (NO_x) mobile vehicle emissions budgets (MVEBs) for the Pennsylvania portion of the Area for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS, which EPA is approving for transportation conformity purposes. Furthermore, EPA is approving the 2007 base year emissions inventory included in the maintenance plan for the Pennsylvania portion of the Area for the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS. These actions are being taken under the Clean Air Act (CAA).

DATES: This final rule is effective on April 21, 2015.

ADDRESSES: EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID Number EPA–R03–OAR–2014–0868. All documents in the docket are listed in the www.regulations.gov Web site. Although listed in the electronic docket, some information is not publicly available, *i.e.*, confidential business information (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 through www.regulations.gov or in hard copy for public inspection 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 Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Air Quality Control, P.O. Box 8468, 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On September 5, 2014, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, through the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP), formally submitted a request to redesignate the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia Area from nonattainment to attainment for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS. Concurrently, PADEP submitted a maintenance plan for the Pennsylvania portion of the Area as a SIP revision to ensure continued attainment throughout the Pennsylvania portion of the Area over the next 10 years. The maintenance plan includes the 2017 and 2025 PM_{2.5} and NO_x MVEBs for the Pennsylvania portion of the Area for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS, which EPA is approving for transportation conformity purposes. PADEP also submitted a 2007 comprehensive emissions inventory that was included in the maintenance plan for the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS for NO_x, sulfur dioxide (SO₂), volatile organic compounds (VOC), and ammonia (NH₃).

On February 17, 2015 (80 FR 8254), EPA published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPR) for Pennsylvania. In the NPR, EPA proposed approval of Pennsylvania's September 5, 2014 request to redesignate the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia Area to attainment for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS. EPA also proposed approval of the associated maintenance plan as a revision to the Pennsylvania SIP for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS, which includes the 2017 and 2025 PM_{2.5} and NO_x MVEBs for both NAAQS, which EPA proposed to approve for purposes of transportation conformity. In

addition, EPA proposed approval of the 2007 emissions inventory included in the maintenance plan for the Pennsylvania portion of the Area for the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS to meet the emissions inventory requirement of section 172(c)(3) of the CAA.

The details of Pennsylvania's submittal and the rationale for EPA's proposed actions are explained in the NPR and will not be restated here. No adverse public comments were received on the NPR.

II. Final Actions

EPA is taking final actions on the redesignation request and SIP revisions submitted on September 5, 2014 by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia Area for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS. First, EPA finds that the monitoring data demonstrates that the Area has attained the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS, and continues to attain both NAAQS. Second, EPA is approving Pennsylvania's redesignation request for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS, because EPA has determined that the request meets the redesignation criteria set forth in section 107(d)(3)(E) of the CAA for both NAAQS. Approval of this redesignation request will change the official designation of the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia Area from nonattainment to attainment for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS. Third, EPA is approving the associated maintenance plan for the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia Area as a revision to the Pennsylvania SIP for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS because it meets the requirements of section 175A of the CAA. The maintenance plan includes the 2017 and 2025 PM_{2.5} and NO_x MVEBs submitted by Pennsylvania for the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia Area for transportation conformity purposes. In addition, EPA is approving the 2007 emissions inventory for the Pennsylvania portion of the Area as meeting the requirement of section 172(c)(3) of the CAA for the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS.

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(d), EPA finds there is good cause for this rulemaking action to become effective immediately upon publication. A delayed effective date is unnecessary due to the nature of a redesignation to attainment, which eliminates CAA obligations that would otherwise apply. The immediate effective date for this rulemaking action is authorized under both 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(1), which provides that rulemaking actions may become

effective less than 30 days after publication if the rule “grants or recognizes an exemption or relieves a restriction,” and section 553(d)(3), which allows an effective date less than 30 days after publication “as otherwise provided by the agency for good cause found and published with the rule.” The purpose of the 30-day waiting period prescribed in section 553(d) is to give affected parties a reasonable time to adjust their behavior and prepare before the final rule takes effect. Today’s rulemaking action, however, does not create any new regulatory requirements such that affected parties would need time to prepare before the rule takes effect. Rather, today’s rulemaking action relieves the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of the obligation to comply with nonattainment-related planning requirements for the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia Area pursuant to part D of the CAA and approves certain emissions inventories and MVEBs for the Pennsylvania portion of the Area. For these reasons, EPA finds good cause under 5 U.S.C. 553(d) for this rulemaking action to become effective on the date of publication.

III. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

A. General Requirements

Under the CAA, redesignation of an area to attainment and the accompanying approval of the maintenance plan under CAA section 107(d)(3)(E) are actions that affect the status of a geographical area and do not impose any additional regulatory requirements on sources beyond those required by state law. A redesignation to attainment does not in and of itself impose any new requirements, but rather results in the application of requirements contained in the CAA for areas that have been redesignated to attainment. Moreover, 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 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 CAA; 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).

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.

B. Submission to Congress and the Comptroller General

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).

C. Petitions for Judicial Review

Under section 307(b)(1) of the CAA, petitions for judicial review of this action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit by June 22, 2015. 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, approving the redesignation request and maintenance plan for the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia Area for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS and the comprehensive emissions inventory for the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia Area for the 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS, may not be challenged later in proceedings to enforce its requirements. *See* section 307(b)(2).

List of Subjects

40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Incorporation by reference, Nitrogen oxides, Particulate matter, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Sulfur dioxide, Volatile organic compounds.

40 CFR Part 81

Air pollution control, National parks, Wilderness areas.

Dated: April 7, 2015.

William C. Early,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region III.

40 CFR parts 52 and 81 are 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—NN Pennsylvania

■ 2. In § 52.2020, the table in paragraph (e)(1) is amended by adding an entry for 1997 Annual and 2006 24-Hour PM_{2.5} Maintenance Plan and 2007 Base Year Emissions Inventory at the end of the table to read as follows:

§ 52.2020 Identification of plan.

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(e)	*	*	*	
(1)	*	*	*	

Name of non-regulatory SIP revision	Applicable geographic area	State submittal date	EPA approval date	Additional explanation
*	*	*	*	*
1997 Annual and 2006 24-Hour PM _{2.5} Maintenance Plan and 2007 Base Year Emissions Inventory.	Philadelphia-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE.	9/5/14	4/21/15 [Insert Federal Register citation].	See § 52.2036(u) and § 52.2059(p)

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■ 3. Section 52.2036 is amended by adding paragraph (u) to read as follows:

§ 52.2036 Base year emissions inventory.

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(u) EPA approves as revisions to the Pennsylvania State Implementation Plan the 2007 base year emissions inventory for the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia Area for the 2006 24-hour fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) nonattainment area submitted by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection on September 5, 2014. The emissions inventory

includes emissions estimates that cover the general source categories of point, area, nonroad, and onroad sources. The pollutants that comprise the inventory are PM_{2.5}, nitrogen oxides (NO_x), volatile organic compounds (VOCs), ammonia (NH₃), and sulfur dioxide (SO₂).

■ 4. Section 52.2059 is amended by adding paragraph (p) to read as follows:

§ 52.2059 Control strategy: Particular matter.

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(p) EPA approves the maintenance plan for the Pennsylvania portion of the

Philadelphia nonattainment area for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS submitted by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on September 5, 2014. The maintenance plan includes the 2017 and 2025 PM_{2.5} and NO_x mobile vehicle emissions budgets (MVEBs) to be applied to all future transportation conformity determinations and analyses for the Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia nonattainment area for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS.

PENNSYLVANIA PORTION OF THE PHILADELPHIA AREA'S MOTOR VEHICLE EMISSION BUDGETS FOR THE 1997 ANNUAL AND 2006 24-HOUR PM_{2.5} NAAQS IN TONS PER YEAR

Type of control strategy SIP	Year	PM _{2.5}	NO _x	Effective date of SIP approval
Maintenance Plan	2017 2025	1,679 1,316	37,922 25,361	April 21, 2015. April 21, 2015.

PART 81—DESIGNATION OF AREAS FOR AIR QUALITY PLANNING PURPOSES

■ 5. The authority citation for part 81 continues to read as follows:

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

■ 6. Section 81.339 is amended by revising the entry for “Philadelphia-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE” where it occurs in the tables entitled “Pennsylvania—

1997 Annual PM_{2.5} NAAQS” and “2006 24-Hour PM_{2.5} NAAQS” to read as follows:

§ 81.339 Pennsylvania.

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PENNSYLVANIA—1997 ANNUAL PM_{2.5} NAAQS

[Primary and secondary]

Designated area	Designation ^a		Classification	
	Date ¹	Type	Date ²	Type
*	*	*	*	*
Philadelphia-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE:				
Bucks County	April 21, 2015	Attainment.		
Chester County	April 21, 2015	Attainment.		
Delaware County	April 21, 2015	Attainment.		
Montgomery County	April 21, 2015	Attainment.		
Philadelphia County	April 21, 2015	Attainment.		
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^a Includes Indian Country located in each county or area, except as otherwise specified.

¹ This date is 90 days after January 5, 2005, unless otherwise noted.

² This date is July 2, 2014, unless otherwise noted.

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PENNSYLVANIA—2006 24-HOUR PM_{2.5} NAAQS
[Primary and secondary]

Designated area	Designation ^a		Classification	
	Date ¹	Type	Date ²	Type
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Philadelphia-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE:				
Bucks County	April 21, 2015	Attainment.		
Chester County	April 21, 2015	Attainment.		
Delaware County	April 21, 2015	Attainment.		
Montgomery County	April 21, 2015	Attainment.		
Philadelphia County	April 21, 2015	Attainment.		
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^a Includes Indian County located in each county or area, except as otherwise specified.

¹ This date is 30 days after November 13, 2009, unless otherwise noted.

² This date is July 2, 2014, unless otherwise noted.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 61 and 63

[EPA–R06–OAR–2008–0063; FRL–9926–50–Region 6]

National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants; Delegation of Authority to Oklahoma

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Withdrawal of direct final rule.

SUMMARY: On February 24, 2015, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published a direct final rule approving the updated delegation of EPA authority for implementation and enforcement of National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs) for all sources (both part 70 and non-part 70 sources) to the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ). The direct final rule was published without prior proposal because EPA anticipated no adverse comments. EPA stated in the direct final rule that if EPA received relevant, adverse comments by March 26, 2015, EPA would publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register**. EPA received a relevant, adverse comment on March 25, 2015, and accordingly is withdrawing the direct final rule, and in a separate subsequent final rulemaking will address the comment received.

DATES: Effective April 21, 2015, the direct final rule published at 80 FR 9622 on February 24, 2015, is withdrawn.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Rick Barrett (6PD–R), Air Permits Section, telephone (214) 665–7227, fax (214) 665–6762, email: barrett.richard@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 24, 2015, EPA published a direct final rule approving the updated delegation of EPA authority for implementation and enforcement of NESHAPs for all sources (both part 70 and non-part 70 sources) to the ODEQ. The direct final rule was published without prior proposal because EPA anticipated no adverse comments. EPA stated in the direct final rule that if relevant, adverse comments were received by March 26, 2015, EPA would publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register**. EPA received a comment on March 25, 2015, from the ODEQ stating in relevant part, that EPA reconsider the limitation on ODEQ's authority over NESHAPs and remove the language in the final rule requiring ODEQ to make a demonstration of jurisdiction over non-reservation Indian country. ODEQ cited various wording from two court cases where both generally stated that a state has regulatory jurisdiction under the CAA over all the land within its territory and outside the boundaries of an Indian reservation, and that regulatory jurisdiction under the CAA must lie initially with either a tribe or a state. EPA considers this a relevant, adverse comment and accordingly is withdrawing the direct final rule. In a separate subsequent final rulemaking EPA will address the comment received. The withdrawal is being taken pursuant to section 112 of the CAA.

List of Subjects

40 CFR Part 61

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Air pollution control, Arsenic, Benzene, Beryllium, Hazardous substances, Mercury, Intergovernmental relations, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Vinyl chloride.

40 CFR Part 63

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Air pollution control, Hazardous substances, Intergovernmental relations, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: April 9, 2015.

Wren Stenger,

Director, Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division, Region 6.

PART 61—NATIONAL EMISSION STANDARDS FOR HAZARDOUS AIR POLLUTANTS

PART 63—NATIONAL EMISSION STANDARDS FOR HAZARDOUS AIR POLLUTANTS FOR SOURCE CATEGORIES

Accordingly, the amendments to 40 CFR 61.04 and 40 CFR 63.99 published in the **Federal Register** on February 24, 2015 (80 FR 9622) on pages 9625 and 9626 are withdrawn effective April 21, 2015.

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