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m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:* Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, and .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

o. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents:* Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting, protesting, or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Dated: February 26, 2021.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-10020-31-ORD]

### Ambient Air Monitoring Reference and Equivalent Methods; Designation of One New Reference Method and One New Equivalent Method

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of the designation of one new reference method and one new equivalent method for monitoring ambient air quality.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated one new reference method for measuring concentrations of sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), and one new equivalent method for measuring concentrations of particulate matter (PM<sub>10</sub>) in ambient air.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Vanderpool, Air Methods and Characterization Division (MD-D205-03), Center for Environmental Measurements and Modeling, U.S. EPA, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711. Phone: 919-541-7877. Email: [Vanderpool.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Vanderpool.Robert@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with regulations at 40 CFR part 53, the EPA evaluates various methods for monitoring the concentrations of those ambient air pollutants for which EPA has established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) as set forth in 40 CFR part 50. Monitoring methods that are determined to meet specific requirements for adequacy are designated by the EPA as either reference or equivalent methods (as applicable), thereby permitting their use under 40 CFR part 58 by States and other agencies for determining compliance with the NAAQS. A list of all reference or equivalent methods that have been previously designated by EPA may be found at <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/amtic/criteria.html>.

The EPA hereby announces the designation of one new reference method for measuring concentrations of SO<sub>2</sub> in ambient air and one new equivalent method for measuring concentrations of PM<sub>10</sub> in ambient air. These designations are made under the provisions of 40 CFR part 53, as amended on October 26, 2015 (80 FR 65291-65468).

The new reference method for SO<sub>2</sub> is an automated method (analyzer) utilizing the measurement principle based on UV fluorescence. This newly designated reference method is identified as follows:

RFSA-1120-257, "KENTEK Inc. Model MEZUS 110 SO<sub>2</sub> Analyzer," UV fluorescence analyzer operated in a range of 0-0.5 ppm, with 0.5 μm, 47 mm diameter Teflon® filter installed, operated at temperatures between 20° C and 30° C, at a nominal sampling flow rate of 800 cc/min, using a 5 minute averaging time, with either 105VAC-125VAC or 200VAC-240VAC input power options installed, 280-watt power consumption, equipped with 7 inch LCD touch screen display, and operated according to the KENTEK Inc. Model Mezus 110 Sulfur Dioxide Analyzer User's Instruction Manual.

This application for a reference method determination for this SO<sub>2</sub> method was received by the Office of Research and Development on July 21, 2020. This analyzer is commercially available from the applicant, KENTEK Inc., Hanshin S. Meca Room #526, 65 Techno 3-ro, Yuseong-gu, Daejeon, Republic of Korea, 34016.

The new equivalent method for PM<sub>10</sub> is an automated method (monitor) utilizing the measurement principle based on Beta Attenuation or β-ray monitoring. This newly designated equivalent method is identified as follows:

EQPM-0121-258, "Focused Photonics Inc. BPM-200 PM<sub>10</sub> Monitor," β-ray monitor operated in the following concentration ranges: 0-1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 0-2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 0-5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, or 0-10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, analyzing ambient conditions temperatures between -30° C to 50° C, while the monitor can operate in a conditioned space between 0° C to 50° C. The unit is operated for 24-hour average measurements, with the FPI P/N 6150138000X EPA PM<sub>10</sub> inlet, glass fiber filter tape with axial inner diameter of 40mm (GCY00003900), the 220VAC 50Hz power supply, the FPI P/N 6150139000X Atmospheric Temperature Unit, the 6100050000X Air heating unit for maintaining moisture at about 35% and no ΔT control, the FPI P/N GCX00013700 filter, the FPI P/N 6102182000X internal calibration device, 290508D00A Main Board, and 2910510B00X Interface board display. Instrument must be operated in accordance with the appropriate instrument manual and with software (firmware) version AQMSPlus.P005.V01A.US001.

This application for an equivalent method determination for this PM<sub>10</sub> method was received by the Office of Research and Development on October 13, 2020. This monitor is commercially available from the applicant, Focused Photonics Inc. (FPI), 760 Bin'an Road, Binjiang District, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China.

Representative test analyzers have been tested in accordance with the applicable test procedures specified in 40 CFR part 53, as amended on October 26, 2015. After reviewing the results of those tests and other information submitted by the applicants, EPA has determined, in accordance with 40 CFR part 53, that these methods should be designated as a reference or equivalent method.

As a designated reference or equivalent method, these methods are acceptable for use by states and other air monitoring agencies under the requirements of 40 CFR part 58, Ambient Air Quality Surveillance. For such purposes, each method must be used in strict accordance with the operation or instruction manual associated with the method and subject to any specifications and limitations (e.g., configuration or operational settings) specified in the designated method description (see the identification of the method above).

Use of the method also should be in general accordance with the guidance and recommendations of applicable sections of the "Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume I," EPA/600/R-94/038a and "Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume II, Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Program," EPA-454/B-13-003, (both available at <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/amtic/qalist.html>). Provisions concerning modification of such methods by users are specified under Section 2.8 (Modifications of Methods by Users) of Appendix C to 40 CFR part 58.

Consistent or repeated noncompliance with any of these conditions should be reported to: Director, Air Methods and Characterization Division (MD-D205-03), Center for Environmental Measurements and Modeling, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711.

Designation of these reference and equivalent methods is intended to assist the States in establishing and operating their air quality surveillance systems under 40 CFR part 58. Questions concerning the commercial availability or technical aspects of the methods should be directed to the applicants.

**Timothy Watkins,**

*Director, Center for Environmental Measurements and Modeling.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0178; FRL-10021-15-OAR]

### Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC): Request for Nominations

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Request for Nominations to the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC).

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites nominations from a diverse range of qualified candidates to be considered for appointment to its Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC). Vacancies are anticipated to be filled by August 2021 and applications are due by April 30, 2021. Sources in addition to this **Federal Register** Notice may also be utilized in the solicitation of nominees.

**DATES:** Applications are due by April 30, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit nominations in writing to: Shanika Whitehurst, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460.

For further information or to email nominations, include in the subject line CAAAC Membership 2021 and send to [caaac@epa.gov](mailto:caaac@epa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shanika Whitehurst, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460, 202-564-8235, [whitehurst.shanika@epa.gov](mailto:whitehurst.shanika@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**  
*Background:* Clean Air Act Advisory Committee provides advice, information and recommendations on policy and technical issues associated with implementation of the Clean Air Act (CAA) as requested by EPA. These issues include the development, implementation, and enforcement of programs required by the Act. The CAAAC will provide advice and recommendations on approaches for new and expanded programs including those using innovative technologies and policy mechanisms to achieve environmental improvements; the potential health, environmental and economic effects of CAA programs on the public, the regulated community, State and local governments, and other Federal agencies; the policy and technical contents of proposed major EPA rulemaking and guidance required

by the Act in order to help effectively incorporate appropriate outside advice and information; and the integration of existing policies, regulations, standards, guidelines, and procedures into programs for implementing requirements of the Act.

The programs falling under the purview of the committee include, but are not limited to, those for meeting National Ambient Air Quality Standards, reducing emissions from vehicles and vehicle fuels, reducing air toxic emissions, permitting, carrying out compliance authorities, and CAA-related voluntary activities. Members are appointed by the EPA Administrator for two-year terms with the possibility of reappointment to additional term(s). The CAAAC usually meets approximately 2 times annually and the average workload for the members is approximately 5 to 10 hours per month.

Although EPA is unable to offer compensation or an honorarium for CAAAC members, they may receive travel and per diem allowances, according to applicable federal travel regulations. EPA is seeking nominations from academia, industry, non-governmental/environmental organizations, community organizations, state and local government agencies, tribal governments, unions, trade associations, utilities, and lawyers/consultants. EPA values and welcomes diversity. In an effort to obtain nominations of diverse candidates, EPA encourages nominations of women and men of all racial and ethnic groups.

### Evaluation Criteria

The following criteria will be used to evaluate nominees:

- The background and experiences that would help members contribute to the diversity of perspectives on the committee (e.g., geographic, economic, social, cultural, educational, and other considerations)
- Experience serving as an elected official;
- Experience serving as an appointed official for a state, county, city or tribe;
- Experience working on national level or on local government issues;
- Demonstrated experience with air quality policy issues;
- Executive management level experience with membership in broad-based networks;
- Excellent interpersonal, oral and written communication, and consensus-building skills.
- Ability to volunteer time to attend meetings 2-3 times a year, participate in teleconference meetings, attend listening sessions with the