



FACT SHEET

In re: Proposed revisions to Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 10 “Air Pollution Episodes”

Introduction

The Department of Environmental Management (DEM), Office of Air Resources, is proposing to amend one of its air pollution control regulations, Air Pollution Control Regulation (APC) No. 10, “Air Pollution Episodes”. The purpose of APC Regulation No. 10 is to prevent excessive buildup of air pollutants during air pollution episodes, thereby preventing the occurrence of an emergency due to the effects of the pollutants on the health of persons.

Description of Proposed Amendments

The rule is being updated to reflect current RICR APA formatting requirements and to reflect current EPA limits for qualification of the episode. Section 10.5(A)(2) through (5) have been amended to reflect the current EPA standards in 40 CFR Appendix L to Part 51.

Demonstration of Need

The formatting changes are needed to comply with current RI APA standards.

The changes to the limits in are necessary to be compliant with EPA's current guidelines.

Alternative Approaches Considered

No alternative approaches were considered.

Identification of Overlapped or Duplicated State Regulations

The Office of Air Resources has identified no state regulations that overlap or duplicate the proposed amendments.

Determination of Significant Adverse Economic Impact on Small Business or Any City or Town

The proposed revisions do not impose any new requirements on regulated entities including any small businesses or any city or town, therefore there is no significant adverse economic impact.

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