



## FACT SHEET

**In re: Proposed revisions to Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 44 “Control of Volatile Organic Compounds from Adhesives and Sealants”**

### **Introduction**

The Department of Environmental Management (DEM), Office of Air Resources, is proposing to amend one of its air pollution control regulations, 250-RICR-120-05-44 “Part 44 - Control of Volatile Organic Compounds from Adhesives and Sealants” (Part 44). Part 44 limits volatile organic compound emissions from adhesives and sealants.

### **Description of Proposed Amendments**

There were no substantive changes to the regulation. Portions of the regulation that no longer apply have been eliminated. The regulation has been updated to current RI Code of Regulations (RICR) format which required the addition of an incorporated materials section.

### **Demonstration of Need**

In 2016 the state revised the Administrative Procedures Act to require that every state regulation be rewritten into the new RICR format by December 31, 2018 or it will no longer be enforceable. In order to meet this requirement, Part 44 is being revised to the required RICR format which included the addition of an incorporated materials section.

### **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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