

State of Rhode Island
Department of Environmental Management
Office of Air Resources

**In re: Proposed revisions to 250-RICR-120-05-51 “Control of VOC Emissions from
Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing**

DECISION

Introduction

On February 24, 2021 a notice was posted on the websites of the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM) and the Rhode Island Office of Secretary of State and was sent to interested parties announcing a public comment period to accept comments on the adoption of proposed revisions to 250-RICR-120-05-51 “Control of VOC Emissions from Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing.” Although R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, require that an oral hearing be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by an agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members, the public notice stated that an oral hearing will be granted if requested by one (1) or more persons during the public comment period. No requests for a public hearing were received. The public comment period ended at 4:00 PM on March 29, 2021.

The purpose of 250-RICR-120-05-51 is to limit emissions of volatile organic compounds from fiberglass boat manufacturing operations. The changes proposed add a definition for “Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Facility” to clarify what sources Part 51 applies to. The proposed addition of potential NAICS codes for affected sources, consistent with the CTG, as well as simplifying the applicability language clearly define who is subject to the rule. The proposed amendments do not change the sources subject to the emissions limitations only clarify.

There were no comments received on the proposed changes to 250-RICR-120-05-51.

Decision

It is the decision of the Department to adopt the proposed revisions to 250-RICR-120-05-51, “Control of VOC Emissions from Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing” as proposed. The final amended regulations are appended to this Decision.

4/22/2021

Date

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