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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions regarding the proposed rulemaking, contact Mr. Larry Wallace, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Mail Code C539–02, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, phone number (919) 541–0906 or by e-mail at: wallace.larry@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Extension of Public Comment Period

The proposed rule was signed by the Administrator on March 1, 2006 and published in the **Federal Register** on March 10, 2006 (71 FR 12592). The EPA has received several requests for additional time to comment on the proposal. The EPA is therefore extending the comment period until May 25, 2006.

Dated: April 26, 2006.

Jeffrey S. Clark,

Acting Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R03-OAR-2006-0280; FRL-8165-5]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; VOC and NO_X RACT Determinations for Seven Individual Sources

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA proposes to approve revisions to the Pennsylvania State Implementation Plan (SIP). The revisions were submitted by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) to establish and require reasonably available control technology (RACT) for seven major sources of volatile organic compounds (VOC) and nitrogen oxides (NO_X) pursuant to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's (Pennsylvania or the Commonwealth) SIP-approved generic RACT regulations. EPA is proposing to approve these revisions in accordance with the Clean Air Act (CAA).

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before June 5, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID Number EPA–R03–OAR–2006–0280 by one of the following methods:

- A. http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
 - B. E-mail: morris.makeba@epa.gov.
- C. Mail: EPA-R03-OAR-2006-0280, Makeba Morris, Chief, Air Quality Planning Branch, Mailcode 3AP21, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103.

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Box 8468, 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pauline De Vose, (215) 814–2186, or by e-mail at devose.pauline@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 4, 2003 and November 21, 2005, PADEP submitted revisions to the Pennsylvania SIP. These SIP revisions consist of source-specific operating permits, and/or plan approvals issued by PADEP to establish and require RACT for sixteen individual sources on February 4, 2003, and sixteen individual sources on November 21, 2005 pursuant to Pennsylvania's SIP-approved generic RACT regulations. This proposed rulemaking covers the Commonwealth's source-specific RACT determinations for seven of those sources. The remaining RACT determinations submitted by PADEP on February 4, 2003 and November 21, 2005 will be the subject of separate rulemakings.

I. Background

Pursuant to sections 182(b)(2) and 182(f) of the CAA, Pennsylvania is required to establish and implement RACT for all major VOC and NO_X sources. The major source size is determined by its location, the classification of that area and whether it is located in the ozone transport region (OTR). Under section 184 of the CAA, RACT as specified in sections 182(b)(2) and 182(f) applies throughout the OTR.

The entire Commonwealth is located within the OTR. Therefore, RACT is applicable statewide in Pennsylvania.

State implementation plan revisions imposing RACT for three classes of VOC sources are required under section 182(b)(2). The categories are:

- (1) All sources covered by a Control Technique Guideline (CTG) document issued between November 15, 1990 and the date of attainment;
- (2) All sources covered by a CTG issued prior to November 15, 1990; and (3) All major non-CTG sources.

The Pennsylvania SIP already has approved RACT regulations and requirements for all sources and source categories covered by the CTGs. The Pennsylvania SIP also has approved regulations to require major sources of NOx and additional major sources of VOC emissions (not covered by a CTG) to implement RACT. These regulations are commonly termed the "generic RACT regulations". A generic RACT regulation is one that does not, itself, specifically define RACT for a source or source categories but instead establishes procedures for imposing case-by-case RACT determinations. The Commonwealth's SIP-approved generic RACT regulations consist of the procedures PADEP uses to establish and impose RACT for subject sources of VOC and NO_X. Pursuant to the SIPapproved generic RACT rules, PADEP imposes RACT on each subject source in an enforceable document, usually a Plan Approval (PA), or Operating Permit (OP). The Commonwealth then submits these PAs, or OPs to EPA for approval as source-specific SIP revisions. EPA reviews these SIP revisions to ensure that the PADEP has determined and imposed RACT in accordance with the provisions of the SIP-approved generic RACT rules.

It must be noted that the Commonwealth has adopted and is implementing additional "post RACT requirements" to reduce seasonal NO_X emissions in the form of a NO_X cap and trade regulation, 25 Pa Code Chapters 121 and 123, based upon a model rule developed by the States in the OTR. That regulation was approved as a SIP revision on June 6, 2000 (65 FR 35842). Pennsylvania has also adopted 25 Pa Code Chapter 145 to satisfy Phase I of the NO_X SIP call. That regulation was approved as a SIP revision on August 21, 2001 (66 FR 43795). Federal approval of a source-specific RACT determination for a major source of NO_X in no way relieves that source from any applicable requirements found in 25 Pa Code Chapters 121, 123 and 145.

II. Summary of the SIP Revisions

The following table identifies the sources and the individual operating permits (OPs) which are the subject of this rulemaking.

PENNSYLVANIA—VOC AND NO_X RACT DETERMINATIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL SOURCES

Source's name	County	Operating permit (OP #)	Source type	"Major source" pollutant
The Frog, Switch & Manufacturing Co.	Cumberland	21–2011	Manganese Steel and Castings Foundry.	VOC.
Armstrong World Industries, Inc	Lancaster	36–2002	Sheet and Flooring Products Manufacturer.	VOC and NO_X .
Merck & Co., Inc	Northumberland	49-0007B	Chemical Process Facility	VOC and NO_X .
Peoples Natural Gas Company	Clarion	16–124	Natural Gas Compressor	VOC and NO_X .
Dart Container Corporation	Lancaster	36–2015	Expanded Polystyrene Manufacturing Facility.	VOC and NO _x .
AT&T Microelectronics	Lehigh	39-0001	Semiconductors Manufacturing	VOC and NO_X .
West Penn Power Co	Greene	30–000–099	Power Plant	VOC and NO _X .

Interested parties are advised that copies of Pennsylvania's SIP submittals for these sources, including the actual OPs imposing RACT, PADEP's evaluation memoranda and the sources' RACT proposals (referenced in PADEP's evaluation memoranda) are included and may be viewed in their entirety in both the electronic and hard copy versions of the docket for this final rule. As previously stated, all documents in the electronic docket are listed in the http://www.regulations.gov index. Publicly available docket materials are

available either electronically in http://www.regulations.gov or in hard copy 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, P.O. Box 8468, 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105.

EPA is approving these RACT SIP submittals because PADEP established

and imposed these RACT requirements in accordance with the criteria set forth in its SIP-approved generic RACT regulations applicable to these sources. In accordance with its SIP-approved generic RACT rule, the Commonwealth has also imposed recordkeeping, monitoring, and testing requirements on these sources sufficient to determine compliance with the applicable RACT determinations.

III. Proposed Action

EPA is approving the revisions to the Pennsylvania SIP submitted by PADEP on February 4, 2003 and November 21, 2005 to establish and require VOC and NO_X RACT for seven individual sources pursuant to the Commonwealth's SIPapproved generic RACT regulations. EPA is soliciting public comments on this proposed rule to approve these source-specific RACT determinations established and imposed by PADEP in accordance with the criteria set forth in its SIP-approved generic RACT regulations applicable to these sources. These comments will be considered before taking final action.

IV. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

Under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993), this proposed action is not a "significant regulatory action" and therefore is not subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget. For this reason, this action is also not subject to Executive Order 13211, "Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use" (66 FR 28355 (May 22, 2001)). This action merely proposes to approve state law as meeting Federal requirements and imposes no additional requirements beyond those imposed by state law. Accordingly, the Administrator certifies that this proposed rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.). Because this rule proposes to approve pre-existing requirements under state law and does not impose any additional enforceable duty beyond that required by state law, it 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). This proposed rule also does not have a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000), nor will it have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government, as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999), because it merely proposes to approve a state rule

implementing a Federal standard, and does not alter the relationship or the distribution of power and responsibilities established in the Clean Air Act. This proposed rule also is not subject to Executive Order 13045 (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997), because it is not economically significant.

In reviewing SIP submissions, EPA's role is to approve state choices, provided that they meet the criteria of the Clean Air Act. In this context, in the absence of a prior existing requirement for the State to use voluntary consensus standards (VCS), EPA has no authority to disapprove a SIP submission for failure to use VCS. It would thus be inconsistent with applicable law for EPA, when it reviews a SIP submission, to use VCS in place of a SIP submission that otherwise satisfies the provisions of the Clean Air Act. Thus, the requirements of section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) do not apply. As required by section 3 of Executive Order 12988 (61 FR 4729, February 7, 1996), in issuing this proposed rule, EPA has taken the necessary steps to eliminate drafting errors and ambiguity, minimize potential litigation, and provide a clear legal standard for affected conduct. EPA has complied with Executive Order 12630 (53 FR 8859, March 15, 1988) by examining the takings implications of the rule in accordance with the "Attorney General's Supplemental Guidelines for the Evaluation of Risk and Avoidance of Unanticipated Takings" issued under the executive order.

This proposed rule to approve seven source-specific RACT determinations established and imposed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pursuant to its SIP-approved generic RACT regulations does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Volatile organic compounds.

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

Dated: April 24, 2006.

Donald S. Welsh,

Regional Administrator, Region III. [FR Doc. E6–6771 Filed 5–3–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 52 and 81

[EPA-R03-OAR-2005-0548; FRL-8165-4]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Redesignation of the Charleston Ozone Nonattainment Area to Attainment and Approval of the Area's Maintenance Plan

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve a redesignation request and a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of West Virginia. The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) is requesting that the Charleston area be redesignated as attainment for the 8hour ozone national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS). In conjunction with its redesignation request, the WVDEP submitted a SIP revision consisting of a maintenance plan for the Charleston area that provides for continued attainment of the 8-hour ozone NAAQS for the next 12 years. EPA is proposing to make a determination that the Charleston area has attained the 8-hour ozone NAAQS based upon three years of complete, quality-assured ambient air quality ozone monitoring data for 2002-2004. EPA's proposed approval of the 8hour ozone redesignation request is based on its determination that the Charleston area has met the criteria for redesignation to attainment specified in the Clean Air Act (CAA). EPA is providing information on the status of its adequacy determination for the motor vehicle emission budgets (MVEBs) that are identified in the maintenance plan for the Charleston area for purposes of transportation conformity, and is also proposing to approve those MVEBs. EPA is proposing approval of the redesignation request and of the maintenance plan revision to the West Virginia SIP in accordance with the requirements of the CAA.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before June 5, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID Number EPA–R03–OAR–2005–0548 by one of the following methods:

A. Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

B. E-mail: morris.makeba@epa.gov.

C. Mail: EPA–R03–OAR–2005–0548, Makeba Morris, Chief, Air Quality Planning Branch.