

PART 32—SPECIAL EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY, AND HULL REQUIREMENTS

6. The authority citation for part 32 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 46 U.S.C. 2103, 3306, 3703, 3719; E.O. 12234, 45 FR 58801, 3 CFR, 1980 Comp., p. 277; 49 CFR 1.46; Subpart 32.59 also issued under the authority of Sec. 4109, Pub. L. 101-380, 104 Stat. 515.

7. In § 32.15-15, revise paragraphs (a) and (d); and add new paragraphs (e) and (f) to read as follows:

§ 32.15-15 Anchors, Chains, and Hawsers—TB/ALL.

(a) *Application.* The provisions of this section, with the exception of paragraphs (d) and (e), apply to every tankship and manned seagoing barge constructed on or after June 15, 1987. Tankships and manned seagoing barges constructed prior to June 15, 1987 must meet the requirements of paragraphs (d) and (f) of this section. Manned barges equipped with anchors to comply with 33 CFR 155.230(b)(1) must meet the requirements of paragraphs (e) and (f) of this section.

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(d) *Tankships and barges constructed prior to June 15, 1987.* For tankships and manned seagoing barges constructed prior to June 15, 1987, with the exception of manned barges equipped with anchors to comply with 33 CFR 155.230(b)(1), the installations previously accepted or approved will be considered satisfactory for the same service so long as they are maintained in good condition to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. If the service of the tank vessel is changed, the suitability of the equipment will be evaluated by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.

(e) *Manned barges equipped with anchors to comply with 33 CFR 155.230(b)(1).* Manned barges equipped with anchors to comply with 33 CFR 155.230(b)(1) must be fitted with operable anchor systems that include anchors, chains, and hawsers in general agreement with the standards established by the American Bureau of Shipping. The current standards of other recognized classification societies may also be accepted upon approval by the Commandant.

(f) *Operation and performance.* Anchors, exposed portions of chain, and hawsers must be visually inspected prior to getting underway and stowed so that the anchor is ready for immediate use in an emergency. The vessel must have a functioning means for releasing the anchor that does not endanger operating personnel.

Dated: September 30, 1997.

R.C. North,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[A-1-FRL-5901-4]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Connecticut; Reasonably Available Control Technology for Nitrogen Oxides

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of Connecticut. This revision establishes and requires reasonably available control technology for major stationary sources of nitrogen oxides. In the Final Rules Section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial revision amendment and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to that direct final rule, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this proposed rule. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this proposal. Any parties interested in commenting on this proposal should do so at this time.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before November 5, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Susan Studlien, Deputy Director, Office of Ecosystem Protection (mail code CAA), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, JFK Federal Bldg., Boston, MA 02203. Copies of the State submittal and EPA's technical support document are available for public inspection during normal business hours, by appointment at the Office of Ecosystem Protection, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, One Congress Street, 11th

floor, Boston, MA and the Bureau of Air Management, Department of Environmental Protection, State Office Building, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-1630.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steven A. Rapp at (617) 565-2773, or E-mail at Rapp.Steve@EPAMAIL.EPA.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information, see the direct final rule located in the Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.

Dated: September 22, 1997.

John P. DeVillars,

Regional Administrator, Region I.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 81

[TX-89-1-7359, FRL-5904-9]

Clean Air Act Reclassification, Texas; Dallas/Fort Worth Nonattainment Area; Ozone

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The EPA is extending the public comment period from October 2, 1997, to December 1, 1997, on the proposed rule to reclassify the Dallas/Fort Worth ozone nonattainment area from moderate to serious. The extension to the public comment period is being granted by EPA in response to the area's Congressional delegation request to permit the area's constituents to have adequate time to assess the proposal and submit comments before a final decision is published. For additional information please refer to the proposed redesignation notice published in the **Federal Register** on September 2, 1997 (62 FR 46238).

DATES: Comments on the proposed redesignation must be received in writing by December 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to Mr. Thomas H. Diggs, Chief, Air Planning Section (6PD-L), at the EPA Regional Office listed below. Copies of the State ozone air quality monitoring data and EPA policy concerning attainment findings are contained in the docket for this rulemaking. The docket is available for inspection during normal business hours at the following locations:

Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460.
Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200, Dallas, Texas 75202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Kurt Sonderman, Air Planning Section (6PD-L), Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200, Dallas, Texas, 75202, telephone (214) 665-7205.

Dated: September 29, 1997.

Myron O. Knudson,

Acting Regional Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 300

[FRL-5899-9]

National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan; National Priorities List

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Delete Monsanto Superfund Site from the National Priorities List (NPL): Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 4 announces its intent to delete the Monsanto Superfund Site from the NPL and requests public comment on this proposed action. The NPL constitutes Appendix B of 40 CFR part 300 which is the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP), which EPA promulgated pursuant to section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA). EPA and the State of Georgia (State) have determined that all appropriate CERCLA actions have been implemented and that no further cleanup by responsible parties is appropriate under CERCLA. Moreover, EPA and the state have determined that remedial activities conducted at the site to date have been protective of public health, welfare, and the environment and that the remaining groundwater monitoring and treatment are adequately being addressed by the State under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

DATES: Comments concerning the proposed deletion of this Site will be accepted until November 5, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to: John A. McKeown, Remedial Project Manager, South Site Management Branch, Waste Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, GA 30303.

Comprehensive information on this Site is available through the EPA Region 4 public docket, which is located at EPA's Region 4 office and is available for viewing by appointment only from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Requests for appointments or copies of the background information from the regional public docket should be directed to the EPA Region 4 Docket Office.

The address for the Regional Docket Office is: Ms. Debbie Jourdan, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, Telephone No.: (404) 562-8862.

Background information from the regional public docket is also available for viewing at the Site information repository located at the following address: Augusta Richmond County Public Library, 902 Green Street, Augusta, Georgia 30901, Telephone No.: (706) 821-2600.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John A. McKeown, Remedial Project Manager, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, (404) 562-8913.

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I. Introduction

EPA announces its intent to delete the Monsanto Superfund Site, in Richmond County, Georgia from the National Priorities List (NPL) which constitutes Appendix B on the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP), and requests comments on this proposed deletion. EPA identifies sites that appear to present a significant risk to public health, welfare, or the environment and maintains the NPL as the list of those sites. Sites on the NPL may be the subject of remedial actions financed by the Hazardous Substances Superfund Response Trust Fund (Fund). Pursuant to § 300.425(e)(3) of the NCP, any site deleted from the NPL remains eligible for Fund-financed Remedial Actions in the event that conditions at the site warrant such action. EPA will accept

comments concerning this Site for thirty (30) calendar days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**.

Section II of this document explains the criteria for the deletion of sites from the NPL. Section III discusses procedures that EPA is using for this action. Section IV discusses how the Site meets the deletion criteria.

II. NPL Deletion Criteria

The NCP establishes the criteria that the EPA uses to delete sites from the NPL. In accordance with 40 CFR 300.425(e), releases may be deleted from the NPL where no further response is appropriate. In making this determination, EPA will consider, in consultation with the State, whether any of the following criteria have been met:

(i) Responsible parties or other persons have implemented all appropriate response actions required; or

(ii) All appropriate Fund-financed response under CERCLA has been implemented, and no further response action by responsible parties is appropriate; or

(iii) The remedial investigation has determined that the release poses no significant threat to public health or the environment and, therefore, taking or remedial measures is not appropriate; or

(iv) The site is a regulated treatment, storage, or disposal facility (TSD) regulated under the authority of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

Pursuant to § 300.425(e)(3) of the NCP, any site deleted from the NPL remains eligible for Fund-financed Remedial Actions in the event that conditions at the site warrant such action.

III. Deletion Procedures

EPA will accept and evaluate public comments before making a final decision to delete. Comments from the local community may be the most pertinent to deletion decisions. The following procedures were used for the intended deletion of this Site:

(1) EPA has recommended deletion and has prepared the relevant documents.

(2) The State has concurred with the deletion decision.

(3) A local notice has been published in local newspapers and has been distributed to appropriate federal, state, and local officials, and other interested parties.

(4) EPA has made all relevant documents available in the Regional Office and local site information repository.

Deletion of a site from the NPL does not itself, create, alter, or revoke any