

surrounding certain attachment holes of the forward pintle fittings of the main landing gear (MLG) and the actuating cylinder anchorage fittings on the inner rear spar, in accordance with Airbus Service Bulletin A320-57-1101, dated July 24, 1997.

(1) If no cracking is detected, prior to further flight, repair the sealant in the inspected areas and repeat the ultrasonic inspections thereafter at intervals not to exceed 7,700 flight cycles.

(2) If any cracking is detected, prior to further flight, repair in accordance with a method approved by either the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate; or the Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile (DGAC) (or its delegated agent).

(b) Accomplishment of visual and eddy current inspections to detect cracking in the area surrounding certain attachment holes of the forward pintle fittings of the MLG and the actuating cylinder anchorage fittings on the inner rear spar; follow-on corrective actions, as applicable; and rework of the attachment holes; in accordance with Airbus Service Bulletin A320-57-1100, dated July 28, 1997, constitutes terminating action for the repetitive inspection requirements of this AD. If any cracking is detected during accomplishment of any inspection described in the service bulletin, and the service bulletin specifies to contact Airbus for appropriate action: Prior to further flight, repair in accordance with a method approved by either the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116, or the DGAC (or its delegated agent).

(c) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, International Branch, ANM-116.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the International Branch, ANM-116.

(d) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with §§ 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

(e) Except as provided by paragraphs (a)(2) and (b) of this AD, the actions shall be done in accordance with Airbus Service Bulletin A320-57-1101, dated July 24, 1997. This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained from Airbus Industrie, 1 Rond Point Maurice Bellonte, 31707 Blagnac Cedex, France. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

Note 3: The subject of this AD is addressed in French airworthiness directive 98-212-116(B), dated June 3, 1998.

(f) This amendment becomes effective on December 18, 1998.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on November 25, 1998.

Darrell M. Pederson,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-44]

Remove Class D Airspace; Fort Leavenworth, KS

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; request for comments; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an extension of the comment period on a Direct final rule; request for comments which proposed to remove the Class D airspace at Fort Leavenworth, KS. This action is being taken due to a delay in distribution of the Direct final rule; request for comments document.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager, Airspace Branch, ACE-520, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket No. 98-ACE-44, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathy Randolph, (816) 426-3408.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-44, published on October 28, 1998 (63 FR 57585) proposed to remove the Class D airspace at Fort Leavenworth, KS. This action will extend the comment period closing date on that airspace docket from November 17, 1998, to December 10, 1998, to allow for a 44-day comment period instead of the existing 20 day comment period.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

Extension of Comment Period

The comment period closing date on Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-44 is hereby extended to December 10, 1998.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389.

Issued in Kansas City, MO, on November 17, 1998.

Christopher R. Blum,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division, Central Region.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[SIPTRAX No. PA-4082a; FRL-6194-3]

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

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is taking direct final action on revisions to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This revision establishes and requires volatile organic compounds (VOC) and nitrogen oxides (NO_x) reasonably available control technology (RACT) for five major sources located in Pennsylvania. EPA is approving these source-specific plan approvals, operating and compliance permits that establish the above-mentioned RACT requirements in accordance with the Clean Air Act.

DATES: This direct final rule is effective on February 1, 1999 without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse written comment by January 4, 1999. If EPA receives such comments, it will publish a timely withdrawal of the direct final rule in the **Federal Register** and inform the public that the rule will not take effect.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Kathleen Henry, Air Protection Division, Mailcode 3AP11, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103. Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Air Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street,

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103; the Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460; Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Air Quality Control, P.O. Box 8468, 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda Miller (215) 814-2068, at the EPA Region III office or via e-mail at miller.linda@epamail.epa.gov. While information may be requested via e-mail, any comments must be submitted in writing to the above Region III address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On May 31, 1995, November 15, 1995, March 21, 1996, and September 13, 1996, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania submitted formal revisions to its State Implementation Plan (SIP). The SIP revision establishes and requires volatile organic compounds (VOC) and nitrogen oxides (NO_x) reasonably available control technology (RACT) for five major sources located in Pennsylvania. Each source subject to this rulemaking will be identified and discussed below. Any plan approvals and operating permits

submitted coincidentally with those being approved in this document, and not identified below, will be addressed in a separate rulemaking action. Pursuant to sections 182(b)(2) and 182(f) of the Clean Air Act (CAA), Pennsylvania is required to implement RACT for all major VOC and NO_x sources by no later than May 31, 1995. 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), which is established by the CAA. The Pennsylvania portion of the Philadelphia ozone nonattainment area consists of Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties and is classified as severe. The remaining counties in Pennsylvania are classified as either moderate or marginal nonattainment areas or are designated attainment for ozone. However, under section 184 of the CAA, at a minimum, moderate ozone nonattainment area requirements (including RACT as specified in sections 182(b)(2) and 182(f)) apply throughout the OTR. Therefore, RACT is applicable statewide in Pennsylvania. The Pennsylvania submittals that are the subject of this document are meant to satisfy the RACT requirements for five sources in Pennsylvania.

Summary of SIP Revision

The details of the RACT requirements for the source-specific plan approvals, operating and compliance permits can be found in the docket and accompanying technical support document (TSD) and will not be reiterated in this document. Briefly, EPA is approving a revision to the Pennsylvania SIP pertaining to the determination of RACT for five major sources. Several of the plan approvals, compliance and operating permits contain conditions irrelevant to the determination of VOC or NO_x RACT. Consequently, these provisions are not being included in this approval for source-specific VOC or NO_x RACT.

RACT Determinations

The following table identifies the individual plan approvals, operating and compliance permits EPA is approving. The specific emission limitations and other RACT requirements for these sources are summarized in the accompanying technical support document, which is available upon further request from the EPA Region III office listed in the ADDRESSES section of this document.

PENNSYLVANIA—VOC AND NO_x Ract Determinations for Individual Sources

Source	County	Plan Approval (PA #) Operating Permit (OP #) Compliance Permit (CP #)	Source type	"Major source" pollutant
Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation-Artemas Compressor Station.	Bedford	PA 05-2006	Natural Gas Transmission	NO _x .
Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation-Donnegal Compressor Station.	Washington	PA 63-000-631	Natural Gas Transmission	NO _x and VOC.
Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation-Gettysburg Compressor Station.	Adam	OP 01-2003	Natural Gas Transmission	NO _x .
Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation-Eagle Compressor Station.	Chester	OP 15-631	Natural Gas Transmission	NO _x and VOC.
Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation-Downingtown Compressor Station.	Chester	CP 15-0020	Natural Gas Transmission	NO _x .

EPA is approving this rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. However, in the proposed rules section of this **Federal Register** publication, EPA is publishing a separate document that will serve as the proposal to approve the rule should adverse comments be filed. This rule will be effective February 1, 1999 without further notice unless the Agency receives adverse comments by January 4, 1999.

If EPA receives such comments, then EPA will publish a document withdrawing the final rule and informing the public that the rule will not take effect. All public comments received will then be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on the proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. Parties interested in commenting should do so at this time. If no such comments are received, the public is advised that this rule will be effective on February 1, 1999 and no further action will be taken on the proposed rule. If adverse

comments are received that do not pertain to all paragraphs subject to this rule, those paragraphs not affected by the adverse comments will be finalized in the manner described here. Only those paragraphs that receive adverse comments will be withdrawn in the manner described here.

II. Final Action

EPA is approving two plan approvals, two operating permits and one compliance permit for NO_x and/or VOC RACT for five individual sources.

III. Administrative Requirements

A. Executive Order 12866

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has exempted this regulatory action from review under E.O. 12866, entitled "Regulatory Planning and Review."

B. Executive Order 12875

Under E.O. 12875, EPA may not issue a regulation that is not required by statute and that creates a mandate upon a state, local, or tribal government, unless the Federal government provides the funds necessary to pay the direct compliance costs incurred by those governments. If the mandate is unfunded, EPA must provide to the Office of Management and Budget a description of the extent of EPA's prior consultation with representatives of affected state, local, and tribal governments, the nature of their concerns, copies of written communications from the governments, and a statement supporting the need to issue the regulation. In addition, E.O. 12875 requires EPA to develop an effective process permitting elected officials and other representatives of state, local, and tribal governments "to provide meaningful and timely input in the development of regulatory proposals containing significant unfunded mandates." Today's rule does not create a mandate on state, local or tribal governments. The rule does not impose any enforceable duties on these entities. Accordingly, the requirements of section 1(a) of E.O. 12875 do not apply to this rule.

C. Executive Order 13045

Executive Order 13045, entitled "Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks" (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997), applies to any rule that the EPA determines (1) is "economically significant," as defined under Executive Order 12866, and (2) the environmental health or safety risk addressed by the rule has a disproportionate effect on children. If the regulatory action meets both criteria, the Agency must evaluate the environmental health or safety effects of the planned rule on children and explain why the planned regulation is preferable to other potentially effective and reasonably feasible alternatives considered by the Agency.

This final rule is not subject to Executive Order 13045 because it is not an economically significant regulatory action as defined by Executive Order 12866, and it does not address an environmental health or safety risk that

would have a disproportionate effect on children.

D. Executive Order 13084

Under E.O. 13084, EPA may not issue a regulation that is not required by statute, that significantly affects or uniquely affects the communities of Indian tribal governments, and that imposes substantial direct compliance costs on those communities, unless the Federal government provides the funds necessary to pay the direct compliance costs incurred by the tribal governments. If the mandate is unfunded, EPA must provide to the Office of Management and Budget, in a separately identified section of the preamble to the rule, a description of the extent of EPA's prior consultation with representatives of affected tribal governments, a summary of the nature of their concerns, and a statement supporting the need to issue the regulation. In addition, Executive Order 13084 requires EPA to develop an effective process permitting elected and other representatives of Indian tribal governments "to provide meaningful and timely input in the development of regulatory policies on matters that significantly or uniquely affect their communities." Today's rule does not significantly or uniquely affect the communities of Indian tribal governments. This action does not involve or impose any requirements that affect Indian Tribes. Accordingly, the requirements of section 3(b) of E.O. 13084 do not apply to this rule.

E. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) generally requires an agency to conduct a regulatory flexibility analysis of any rule subject to notice and comment rulemaking requirements unless the agency certifies that the rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Small entities include small businesses, small not-for-profit enterprises, and small governmental jurisdictions. This final rule will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities because SIP approvals under section 110 and subchapter I, part D of the Clean Air Act do not create any new requirements but simply approve requirements that the State is already imposing. Therefore, because the Federal SIP approval does not create any new requirements, I certify that this action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Moreover, due to the nature of the Federal-State relationship under the Clean Air Act, preparation of a flexibility analysis

would constitute Federal inquiry into the economic reasonableness of state action. The Clean Air Act forbids EPA to base its actions concerning SIPs on such grounds. *Union Electric Co. versus U.S. EPA*, 427 U.S. 246, 255-66 (1976); 42 U.S.C. 7410(a)(2).

F. Unfunded Mandates

Under Section 202 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 ("Unfunded Mandates Act"), signed into law on March 22, 1995, EPA must prepare a budgetary impact statement to accompany any proposed or final rule that includes a Federal mandate that may result in estimated annual costs to State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate; or to private sector, of \$100 million or more. Under Section 205, EPA must select the most cost-effective and least burdensome alternative that achieves the objectives of the rule and is consistent with statutory requirements. Section 203 requires EPA to establish a plan for informing and advising any small governments that may be significantly or uniquely impacted by the rule.

EPA has determined that the approval action promulgated does not include a Federal mandate that may result in estimated annual costs of \$100 million or more to either State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate, or to the private sector. This Federal action approves pre-existing requirements under State or local law, and imposes no new requirements. Accordingly, no additional costs to State, local, or tribal governments, or to the private sector, result from this action.

G. Submission to Congress and the Comptroller General

The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 et seq., as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. Section 804, however, exempts from section 801 the following types of rules: rules of particular applicability; rules relating to agency management or personnel; and rules of agency organization, procedure, or practice that do not substantially affect the rights or obligations of non-agency parties. 5 U.S.C. 804(3). EPA is not required to submit a rule report regarding today's action under section 801 because this is a rule of particular applicability.

H. Petitions for Judicial Review

Under section 307(b)(1) of the Clean Air Act, petitions for judicial review of this action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit by February 1, 1999. Filing a petition for reconsideration by the Administrator of this final rule does not affect the finality of this rule for the purposes of judicial review nor does it extend the time within which a petition for judicial review may be filed, and shall not postpone the effectiveness of such rule or action. This action to approve VOC and NO_x RACT determinations for a number of individual sources in Pennsylvania as a revision to the Commonwealth's SIP may not be challenged later in proceedings to enforce its requirements. (See section 307(b)(2).)

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Hydrocarbons, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: November 13, 1998.

William Wisniewski,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region III.

40 CFR part 52 is amended as follows:

PART 52—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 52 continues to read as follows:

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

Subpart NN—Pennsylvania

2. Section 52.2020 is amended by adding paragraph (c)(137) to read as follows:

§ 52.2020 Identification of plan.

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(137) Revisions to the Pennsylvania Regulations, Chapter 129.91 pertaining to VOC and NO_x RACT, submitted on May 31, 1995, November 15, 1995, March 21, 1996 and September 13, 1996 by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

(i) Incorporation by reference.

(A) Four letters submitted by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection transmitting source-specific VOC and/or NO_x RACT determinations in the form of plan approvals, operating or compliance permits on the following dates: May 31, 1995, November 15, 1995, September 13, 1996 and March 21, 1996.

(B) Plan approvals (PA), Operating permits (OP), Compliance Permits (CP):

(1) Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation—Artemas Compressor Station, Bedford County, PA 05–2006, effective April 19, 1995; except for the plan approval expiration date and item (or portions thereof) Nos. 4 and 13 relating to non-RACT provisions.

(2) Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation—Donegal Compressor Station, Washington County, PA 63–000–631, effective July 10, 1995; except for the plan approval expiration date and item (or portions thereof) Nos. 9 and 20 relating to non-RACT provisions.

(3) Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation—Gettysburg Compressor Station, Adam County, OP 01–2003, effective April 21, 1995; except for the operating permit expiration date and item (or portions thereof) No. 13 relating to non-RACT provisions.

(4) Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation—Eagle Compressor Station, Chester County, OP 15–022, effective February 1, 1996; except for the operating permit expiration date and item (or portions thereof) Nos. 9 and 10 relating to non-RACT provisions.

(5) Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation—Downingtown Compressor Station, Chester County, CP–15–0020, effective September 15, 1995; except for the compliance permit expiration date and item (or portions thereof) Nos. 2 and 6 relating to non-RACT provisions.

(ii) Additional Material—Remainder of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's May 31, 1995, November 15, 1995, March 21, 1996 and September 13, 1996 VOC and NO_x RACT SIP submittals.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[CA 162–0109; FRL–6194–5]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is finalizing a limited approval and limited disapproval of a revision to the California State Implementation Plan (SIP) proposed in the **Federal Register** on August 11, 1998. The revised rule controls VOC emissions from sources coating metal parts and products in the Santa Barbara

County Air Pollution Control District. EPA's final action will incorporate this rule into the federally approved SIP. The intended effect of finalizing this action is to regulate emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) according to the requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended in 1990 (CAA or the Act). EPA is finalizing a simultaneous limited approval and limited disapproval under CAA provisions regarding EPA action on SIP submittals and general rulemaking authority because this revision, while strengthening the SIP, also does not meet fully the CAA provisions regarding plan submissions and requirements for nonattainment areas. Because of this limited disapproval, EPA will be required to impose highway funding or emission offset sanctions under the CAA unless the State submits and EPA approves corrections to the identified deficiencies within 18 months of the effective date of this disapproval. Moreover, EPA will be required to promulgate a Federal implementation plan (FIP) unless the deficiencies are corrected within 24 months of the effective date of this disapproval.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This action is effective on January 4, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the rule revisions and EPA's evaluation report for this rule are available for public inspection at EPA's Region IX office during normal business hours. Copies of the submitted rule revisions are available for inspection at the following locations:

Rulemaking Office, (AIR–4), Air Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105;

Environmental Protection Agency, Air Docket (6102), 401 "M" Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460;

California Air Resources Board, Stationary Source Division, Rule Evaluation Section, 2020 "L" Street, Sacramento, CA 95814; and, Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District 26 Castilian Drive, Suite B–23, Goleta, CA 93117.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerald S. Wamsley, Rulemaking Office, (AIR–4), Air Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105, Telephone: (415) 744–1226.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Applicability

The rule being approved into the California SIP is Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District (SBCAPCD) Rule 330—Surface Coating