

States (Sec. 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1)). Further, no other law requires that a notice of proposed rulemaking and an opportunity for public comment be given for this interim final rule. Because a notice of proposed rulemaking and an opportunity for public comment are not required to be given for this rule under 5 U.S.C. or by any other law, the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) are not applicable.

#### List of Subjects

##### 15 CFR Part 742

Exports, Foreign trade, Terrorism.

##### 15 CFR Part 743

Administrative practice and procedure, Exports, Foreign trade, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Accordingly, parts 742 and 743 of the Export Administration Regulations (15 CFR parts 730-799) are amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 15 CFR part 742 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 50 U.S.C. app. 2401 *et seq.*; 50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*; 18 U.S.C. 2510 *et seq.*; 22 U.S.C. 3201 *et seq.*; 42 U.S.C. 2139a; E.O. 12058, 43 FR 20947, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 179; E.O. 12851, 3 CFR, 1993 Comp., p. 608; E.O. 12924, 59 FR 43437, 3 CFR, 1994 Comp., p. 917; E.O. 12938, 3 CFR, 1994 Comp., p. 950; E.O. 13020, 3 CFR, 1996 Comp., p. 219; E.O. 13026, 3 CFR, 1996 Comp., p. 228; Notice of August 13, 1997, 3 CFR, 1997 Comp., p. 306; Notice of August 13, 1998 (63 FR 44121, August 17, 1998).

2. The authority citation for 15 CFR part 743 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 50 U.S.C. app. 2401 *et seq.*; 50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*; E.O. 12924, 59 FR 43437, 3 CFR, 1994 Comp., p. 917; Notice of August 17, 1998 (63 FR 55121, August 17, 1998).

#### PART 742—[CORRECTED]

##### § 742.15 [Corrected]

3. Section 742.15 is amended by revising the second "v" paragraph designation in paragraph (b)(6) to read "vi".

4. Supplement No. 4 to Part 742 is amended by revising the title of the supplement to read "Key Escrow or Key Recovery Products Criteria".

#### PART 743—[CORRECTED]

##### § 743.1 [Corrected]

5. Section 743.1 is amended by revising the phrase "ENC" in the first sentence of paragraph (b) to read "and GOV".

**Eileen M. Albanese,**

*Director, Office of Exporter Services.*

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

##### 40 CFR Part 52

[CA 211-0117a FRL-6213-5]

#### Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, Antelope Valley Air Pollution Control District

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Direct final rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is taking direct final action on revisions to the California State Implementation Plan. The revisions concern the rescission of rules for a market incentive program for the Antelope Valley Air Pollution Control District (AVAPCD). The intended effect of this action is to bring the AVAPCD SIP up to date in accordance with the requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended in 1990 (CAA or the Act). EPA is finalizing the approval of these rescissions from the California SIP under provisions of the CAA regarding EPA action on SIP submittals, SIPs for national primary and secondary ambient air quality standards and plan requirements for nonattainment areas. **DATES:** This rule is effective on March 22, 1999 without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse comments by February 22, 1999. If EPA receives such comment, it will publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register** informing the public that this rule will not take effect.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments must be submitted to Andrew Steckel, Chief, Rulemaking Office, AIR-4, at the Region IX office listed below. Copies of the rule revisions and EPA's evaluation report 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 95812

Antelope Valley Air Pollution Control District, 43301 Division Street, Suite 206, Lancaster, CA 93539-4409

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julie A. Rose, Rulemaking Office, AIR-4, Air

Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105, Telephone: (415) 744-1184.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Applicability

The rules being approved for rescission from the Antelope Valley Air Pollution Control District (AVAPCD) portion of the California SIP include: AVAPCD Regulation XX, Regional Clean Air Incentives Market—RECLAIM: Rule 2000, General; Rule 2001, Applicability; Rule 2002, Allocations for Oxides of Nitrogen (NO<sub>x</sub>) and Oxides of Sulfur (SO<sub>x</sub>); Rule 2004, Requirements; Rule 2005, New Source Review for RECLAIM; Rule 2006, Permits; Rule 2007, Trading Requirements; Rule 2008, Mobile Source Credits; Rule 2010, Administrative Remedies and Sanctions; Rule 2011, Requirements for Monitoring, Reporting, and Recordkeeping for Oxides of Sulfur (SO<sub>x</sub>) Emissions; Rule 2011, Appendix A—Requirements for Monitoring, Reporting, and Recordkeeping for Oxides of Sulfur (SO<sub>x</sub>) Emissions; Rule 2012, Requirements for Monitoring, Reporting, and Recordkeeping for Oxides of Nitrogen (NO<sub>x</sub>) Emissions; Rule 2012, Appendix A—Requirements for Monitoring, Reporting, and Recordkeeping for Oxides of Nitrogen (NO<sub>x</sub>) Emissions; and Rule 2015, Backstop Provisions. These rules are currently a part of the federally enforceable SIP. The rule rescissions were submitted by the California Air Resources Board to EPA on June 28, 1998.

##### II. Background

The AVAPCD was created pursuant to California Health and Safety Code (CHSC) section 40106 and assumed all air pollution control responsibilities of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) in the Antelope Valley region of Los Angeles County,<sup>1</sup> effective July 1, 1997.

AVAPCD is the successor agency to SCAQMD in the Antelope Valley portion of the Southeast Desert Modified Air Quality Maintenance Area.

The rules being approved for rescission for AVAPCD were adopted by the SCAQMD for the purpose of establishing a market incentive program designed to allow facilities flexibility in achieving emission reduction requirements under SCAQMD's Air

<sup>1</sup> The Antelope Valley region of Los Angeles County is contained within the Federal area known as the Southeast Desert Modified Air Quality Management Area and the region identified by the State of California as the Mojave Desert Air Basin.

Quality Management Plan. RECLAIM was not applicable to the Antelope Valley portion of the SCAQMD because RECLAIM only applies in the South Coast Air Basin and Antelope Valley is part of the Mojave Desert Air Basin.

EPA has determined that the rescission of Regulation XX as it applies to the AVAPCD is approvable because it is not currently being implemented at any large source in the Antelope Valley area, and major sources in the District have expressed a lack of desire to participate in RECLAIM. Further, all sources within the Antelope Valley area are required to comply with existing NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>x</sub> regulations in the AVAPCD Rulebook. Since EPA has determined that Regulation XX is an inapplicable and unnecessary regulation for AVAPCD, EPA is approving the rescission.

The State of California submitted many revised rules for incorporation into its SIP on June 23, 1998, including the rule rescissions being acted on in this document. This document addresses EPA's direct final action for approving the rescission of AVAPCD's Regulation XX, which includes Rules 2000 to 2002, 2004 to 2008, 2010, 2011, 2011-Appendix A, 2012, 2012-Appendix A, and 2015. The revision was adopted on January 20, 1998 by the Governing Board of the AVAPCD. These revisions were found to be complete on August 25, 1998 pursuant to EPA's completeness criteria that are set forth in 40 CFR part 51 Appendix V<sup>2</sup> and are being approved for rescission from the SIP.

### III. EPA Evaluation and Action

EPA has evaluated the submitted rule rescissions and has determined that they are consistent with the CAA, EPA regulations, and EPA policy. Therefore, the rescission of AVAPCD Regulation XX, Rules 2000 to 2002, 2004 to 2008, 2010, 2011, 2011-Appendix A, 2012, 2012-Appendix A, and 2015 is being approved under section 110(k)(3) of the CAA as meeting the requirements of section 110(a) and part D.

EPA is publishing this rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial amendment 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 SIP revision should adverse comments be filed. This rule will be effective March 22, 1999

without further notice unless the Agency receives adverse comments by February 22, 1999.

If the EPA receives such comments, then EPA will publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register** 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. The EPA will not institute a second comment period on this rule. Any parties interested in commenting on this rule should do so at this time. If no such comments are received, the public is advised that this rule will be effective on March 22, 1999 and no further action will be taken on the proposed rule.

### IV. Administrative Requirements

#### A. Executive Order 12866

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has exempted this regulatory action from Executive Order (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

Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997), applies to any rule that: (1) Is

determined to be "economically significant" as defined under E.O. 12866, and (2) concerns an environmental health or safety risk that EPA has reason to believe may have 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 rule is not subject to E.O. 13045 because it does not involve decisions intended to mitigate environmental health or safety risks.

#### 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

<sup>2</sup> EPA adopted the completeness criteria on February 16, 1990 (55 FR 5830) and, pursuant to section 110(k)(1)(A) of the CAA, revised the criteria on August 26, 1991 (56 FR 42216).

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 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., v. 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. EPA will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. This rule is not a "major" rule as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

**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 March 22, 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 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, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Volatile organic compounds.

**Note:** Incorporation by reference of the State Implementation Plan for the State of California was approved by the Director of the Federal Register on July 1, 1982.

Dated: December 10, 1998.

**Laura Yoshii,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region IX.*

Part 52, chapter I, title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations 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 F—California**

2. Section 52.220 is amended by adding paragraph (c)(232)(i)(A)(2) to read as follows:

**§ 52.220 Identification of plan.**

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- (c) \* \* \*
- (232) \* \* \*
- (i) \* \* \*
- (A) \* \* \*

(2) Previously approved on November 8, 1996 now deleted without replacement for implementation in the

Antelope Valley Air Pollution Control District, Regulation XX.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**40 CFR Parts 52 and 81**

[UT-001-0002a; FRL-6201-8]

**Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Utah; Salt Lake City Carbon Monoxide Redesignation to Attainment, Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes, and Approval of Related Revisions**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Direct final rule.

**SUMMARY:** On November 24, 1995, the Governor of Utah submitted a request to redesignate the Salt Lake City (SLC) "not classified" carbon monoxide (CO) nonattainment area to attainment for the CO National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). The Governor also submitted a CO maintenance plan and revisions to Utah Administrative Code Rule (UACR) R307-1-3.3 to ensure that rules applicable to the SLC CO nonattainment area remain in effect after SLC is redesignated to attainment. On December 9, 1996, the Governor submitted a revised SLC CO maintenance plan that incorporated revised contingency measures, updated air quality monitoring data, and other minor revisions to the maintenance plan. In this action, EPA is approving the SLC redesignation request, the revised maintenance plan, and the changes to UACR R307-1-3.3.

**DATES:** This direct final rule is effective on March 22, 1999 without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse comments by February 22, 1999. If adverse comment is received, EPA 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:** Written comments may be mailed to: Richard R. Long, Director, Air and Radiation Program, Mailcode 8P-AR, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466.

Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following offices: