

on the economic impact of the Agency's proposed Ergonomics Program Standard on State and local governments, the United States Postal Service (USPS), and the railroads. OSHA is also extending the date for Notices of Intention to Appear at the informal public hearing. The supplemental analysis of the impacts of the proposed rule on these three groups is in the public docket of this rulemaking, Docket S-777, Exhibit 28-15. The hearing will be held on the date planned, July 7, 2000, but the location of the hearing has been changed.

The broader context for OSHA's actions can be found in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, published in the **Federal Register** of November 23, 1999 (64 FR 65768). The procedures followed at the July 7 continuation of the public hearing will be the same as those used in the previous nine weeks of public hearings on the proposed ergonomics standard (see OSHA's home page at www.osha.gov or 65 FR 11948; March 7, 2000).

DATES: *Notice of Intention To Appear at the Informal Public Hearing:* The deadline for the submission of notices of intention to appear at the informal public hearing has been extended; notices must be postmarked no later than June 21, 2000, and public comments on the issues raised by the economic analysis of the standard's impacts on the three groups must be postmarked no later than June 22, 2000. If you submit a notice of intention to appear by facsimile or electronically through OSHA's Internet site, you must transmit the notice by June 21, 2000.

Pre-Hearing Comments: Written comments addressing the economic impacts of the rule in these industries must be postmarked no later than June 22, 2000. If you submit comments by facsimile or electronically through OSHA's Internet site, you must transmit those comments by June 22, 2000.

Hearing Testimony and Documentary Evidence: If you will be requesting more than 10 minutes for your oral presentation at the hearing, you must submit the full testimony, postmarked no later than June 27, 2000, or if you will be submitting documentary evidence at the hearing, you must submit all of that evidence, postmarked no later than June 27, 2000.

Informal Public Hearing: The public hearing will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, beginning at 9:00 a.m., on July 7, 2000 and is expected to conclude that day.

Post-hearing Comments: Written post-hearing comments must be postmarked no later than August 10, 2000. If you submit comments by facsimile or

electronically through OSHA's Internet site, you must transmit those comments no later than August 10, 2000. The publication of this document and the related public hearing do not affect the 90-day period established earlier for post-hearing submissions related to the proposed Ergonomics Program Standard (65 FR 11948, March 7, 2000). That period also ends on August 10, 2000.

ADDRESSES: *Written Comments: Mail:* Submit four copies of written comments to: OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. S-777, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-2625, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210; telephone (202) 693-2350.

Facsimile: If your written comments are 10 pages or less, you may fax them to the Docket Office. The OSHA Docket Office fax number is (202) 693-1648.

Electronic: You may also submit comments electronically through OSHA's Homepage at www.osha.gov. Please note that you may not attach materials such as studies or journal articles to your electronic comments. If you wish to include such materials, you must submit them separately in duplicate to the OSHA Docket Office at the address listed above. When submitting such materials to the OSHA Docket Office, you must clearly identify your electronic comments by name, date, and subject, so that we can attach them to your electronic comments.

Notice of Intention to Appear: Mail: Notices of intention to appear at the informal public hearing may be submitted by mail in quadruplicate to: Ms. Veneta Chatmon, OSHA Office of Public Affairs, Docket No. S-777, U.S. Department of Labor, 2000 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room N-3647, Washington, D.C. 20210; Telephone: (202) 693-2119.

Facsimile: You may fax your notice of intention to appear to Ms. Chatmon at (202) 693-1634.

Electronic: You may also submit your notice of intention to appear electronically through OSHA's Homepage at www.osha.gov.

Hearing Testimony and Documentary Evidence: You must submit in quadruplicate your hearing testimony and any documentary evidence you intend to present at the informal public hearing to Ms. Veneta Chatmon, OSHA Office of Public Affairs, Docket No. S-777, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3647, 200 Constitution Ave, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210. Telephone: (202) 693-2119. You may also submit your hearing testimony and documentary evidence on disk (3½ inch) in WP 5.1, 6.0, 6.1, 8.0 or ASCII, provided you also send the original hardcopy at the same time.

Informal Public Hearing: The one-day public hearing to be held in Atlanta, Georgia will be located in Conference Rooms B&C of the Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth St., S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OSHA's Ergonomics Team at (202) 693-2116, or visit the OSHA Homepage at www.osha.gov.

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Signed at Washington, DC, this 8th day of June, 2000.

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Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[UT-001-0029b; FRL-6712-1]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plan for Utah: Transportation Control Measures

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve revisions to the Utah State Implementation Plan (SIP) that incorporate a new transportation control measure (TCM) in Utah County. Approval of this TCM as part of the Utah SIP would mean that this measure will receive priority for funding, and that it may proceed in the event of a transportation conformity lapse. We are proposing to approve this SIP revision under sections 110(k) and 176 of the Clean Air Act. Additional information is available at the address indicated below. 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 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 this rule, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this 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 action. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing by July 14, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to:

Richard R. Long, Director, Air & Radiation Program (8P-AR), United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466.

Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday at the following office: United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8, Air & Radiation Program, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Houk, Air & Radiation Program (8P-AR), United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466 ph. (303) 312-6446.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: See the information provided in the Direct Final action which is located in the Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: June 1, 2000.

Jack McGraw,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region VIII.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[NV-022-0022; FRL-6715-9]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Nevada—Las Vegas Valley Nonattainment Area; PM-10

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to disapprove the moderate and serious nonattainment area state implementation plans (SIPs) submitted by the State of Nevada for attaining the particulate matter (PM-10) national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) in the Las Vegas Valley. EPA is proposing to disapprove the reasonably

available control measure/best available control measure (RACM/BACM) and rate of progress provisions in both the moderate and serious area SIPs, and the attainment demonstration provision in the serious area SIP. EPA is also proposing to deny the State's request for an extension to December 31, 2006 to attain the PM-10 NAAQS in the area. If EPA takes a final disapproval action, it will trigger the 18-month clock for mandatory application of sanctions and the 2-year time clock for a federal implementation plan (FIP) under the Clean Air Act (CAA).

DATES: Written comments on this proposal must be received by August 14, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to the EPA contact below. Copies of the State's submittal and other information are contained in the docket for this rulemaking. The docket is available for inspection during normal business hours at the following location: U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Air Division, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901. The docket can also be viewed at our web site: www.epa.gov/region9/.

Copies of the SIP materials are also available for inspection at the addresses listed below: Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, 333 West Nye Lane, Carson City, Nevada, 89710; and, Clark County Department of Comprehensive Planning, 500 South Grand Central Parkway, 3012, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89155-1741.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Biland, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Air Division (AIR-2), 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901. (415) 744-1227, e-mail address: biland.larry@epa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

A. Clean Air Act Requirements

1. Designation and Classification

On the date of enactment of the 1990 CAA Amendments, PM-10 areas, including the Las Vegas Valley Planning Area, meeting the qualifications of section 107(d)(4)(B) of the amended Act, were designated nonattainment by operation of law. See 56 FR 11101 (March 15, 1991). The boundaries of the Las Vegas Valley nonattainment area (Hydrologic Unit #212) are codified at 40 CFR 81.329.

Once an area is designated nonattainment, section 188 of the CAA outlines the process for classification of the area and establishes the area's attainment deadline. In accordance with

section 188(a), at the time of designation, all PM-10 nonattainment areas, including the Las Vegas Valley, were initially classified as moderate by operation of law. Section 188(b)(1) of the Act further provides that moderate areas can subsequently be reclassified as serious before the applicable moderate area attainment date if at any time EPA determines that the area cannot "practicably" attain the PM-10 NAAQS by this attainment date.

Nevada submitted a moderate area PM-10 plan for Las Vegas Valley on December 6, 1991. Based on this submittal, EPA determined on January 8, 1993, that the Las Vegas Valley could not practicably attain both the annual and 24-hour standards by the applicable attainment deadline for moderate areas (December 31, 1994, per section 188(c)(1) of the Act), and reclassified the Las Vegas Valley as serious (58 FR 3334). In accordance with section 189(b)(2) of the Act, SIP revisions for the Las Vegas Valley addressing the requirements for serious PM-10 nonattainment areas in section 189(b) and (c) of the Act were required to be submitted by August 8, 1994 and February 8, 1997.

2. Moderate Area Planning Requirements

The air quality planning requirements for PM-10 nonattainment areas are set out in subparts 1 and 4 of Title I of the Clean Air Act. Those states containing initial moderate PM-10 nonattainment areas were required to submit, among other things, the following provisions by November 15, 1991:

(a) Provisions to assure that reasonably available control measures (RACM) (including such reductions in emissions from existing sources in the area as may be obtained through the adoption, at a minimum, of reasonably available control technology (RACT)) shall be implemented no later than December 10, 1993 (CAA sections 172(c)(1) and 189(a)(1)(C));

(b) Provisions to assure implementation of RACT on major stationary sources of PM-10 precursors except where EPA has determined that such sources do not contribute significantly to exceedances of the PM-10 standards (CAA section 189(e));

(c) Either a demonstration (including a complete emissions inventory and air quality modeling) that the plan will provide for attainment as expeditiously as practicable but no later than December 31, 1994 or a demonstration that attainment by that date is impracticable (CAA sections 188(c)(1) and 189(a)(1)(B));