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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This document concerns Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans submitted to EPA on December 28, 1992; Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Redesignation of California's Ten Federal Carbon Monoxide Planning Areas to Attainment and Approval of the Area's Maintenance Plan and Emission Inventory; Bakersfield Metropolitan Area, Fresno Urbanized Area, Lake Tahoe South Shore Area, Sacramento Area, San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose Area, Chico Urbanized Area, Lake Tahoe North Shore Area, Modesto Urbanized Area, San Diego Area, and Stockton Urbanized Area submitted to EPA on July 3, 1996 by the California Air Resources Board. For further information, please see the information provided in the Direct Final action that is located in the Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

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

Dated: March 4, 1998.

**Felicia Marcus,**

*Regional Administrator, Region IX.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 63

[AD-FRL-5988-4]

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### National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants Emissions: Group IV Polymers and Resins

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; extension of compliance.

**SUMMARY:** This action proposes a temporary extension of the compliance date specified in 40 CFR 63.1311(c) for the provisions contained in 40 CFR 63.1329 for existing affected sources

producing poly(ethylene terephthalate) (PET) using the continuous terephthalic acid (TPA) high viscosity multiple end finisher process because the EPA is in the process of responding to a request to reconsider relevant portions of the rule (Docket Item: A-92-45; VI-A-1). The EPA is proposing this temporary extension to February 27, 2001 to complete reconsideration and any necessary revision to the rule. The EPA is proposing this temporary extension pursuant to Clean Air Act section 301(a)(1).

Because these amendments would merely extend the compliance date for the process contact cooling tower (PCCT) provisions contained in 40 CFR 63.1329 for existing affected sources producing PET using the continuous TPA high viscosity multiple end finisher process, the EPA does not anticipate receiving relevant adverse comments. Consequently, the proposed revisions to the promulgated rule providing the temporary extension of the compliance date are also being issued as a direct final rule in the Final Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

If no relevant adverse comments are received on this proposal by the due date for comments (see DATES section below), no further action will be taken with respect to this proposal, and the direct final rule will become final on the date provided in that action.

**DATES: Comments.** Comments must be received on or before April 30, 1998, unless a hearing is requested by April 13, 1998. If a hearing is requested, written comments must be received by May 15, 1998.

### Public Hearing

Anyone requesting a public hearing must contact the EPA no later than April 13, 1998. If a hearing is held, it will take place on April 15, 1998, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

**ADDRESSES: Comments.** Comments should be submitted (in duplicate, if possible) to: Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center (6102), Attention Docket Number A-92-45 (see docket section below), room M-1500, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460. The EPA requests that a separate copy also be sent to the contact person listed below. Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by following the instructions provided in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section. No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through electronic mail.

### Public Hearing

If a public hearing is held, it will be held at the EPA's Office of Administration Auditorium, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. Persons interested in attending the hearing or wishing to present oral testimony should notify Ms. Marguerite Thweatt, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, MD-13, Research Triangle Park, N.C. 27711, telephone (919) 541-5673.

### Docket

The official record for this rulemaking has been established under docket number A-92-45 (including comments and data submitted electronically as described below). A public version of this record, including printed, paper versions of electronic comments and data, which does not include any information claimed as CBI, is available for inspection between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The official rulemaking record is located at the address in the **ADDRESSES** section. Alternatively, a docket index, as well as individual items contained within the docket, may be obtained by calling (202) 260-7548 or (202) 260-7549. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Rosensteel, Emission Standards Division (MD-13), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711, telephone number (919) 541-5608.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Electronic Filing.** Electronic comments and data can be sent directly to EPA at: a-and-r-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Electronic comments and data must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be accepted on diskette in WordPerfect 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket number A-92-45. Electronic comments may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries.

### Electronic Availability

This document is available in docket number A-92-45 or by request from the EPA's Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center (see **ADDRESSES**), and is available for downloading from the Technology Transfer Network (TTN), the EPA's electronic bulletin board system. The TTN provides information and technology exchange in various areas of emissions control. The service is free, except for the cost of a telephone call. Dial (919) 541-5742 for up to a

14,000 baud per second modem. For further information, contact the TTN HELP line at (919) 541-5348, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or access the TTN web site at: [www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/rules.html](http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/rules.html).

### Regulated Entities

Regulated categories and entities include:

Category	Examples of regulated entities
Industry ....	Facilities that produce PET using the continuous TPA high viscosity multiple end finisher process.

This table is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities regulated by the NESHAP addressed in this notice. If you have questions regarding the applicability of the NESHAP addressed in this notice to a particular entity, consult the person listed in the preceding **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

If no relevant adverse comments are timely received, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this proposed rule, and the direct final rule in the final rules section of this **Federal Register** will automatically go into effect on the date specified in that rule. If relevant adverse comments are timely received, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comment received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule. Because the EPA will not institute a second comment period on this proposed rule, any parties interested in commenting should do so during this comment period.

For further supplemental information and the rule provisions, see the information provided in the direct final rule in the final rules section of this **Federal Register**.

### Administrative

#### A. Paperwork Reduction Act

For the Group IV Polymers and Resins NESHAP, the information collection requirements were submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the *Paperwork Reduction Act*. The OMB approved the information collection requirements and assigned OMB control number 2060-0351. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for the EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR Part 9. The EPA has amended 40 CFR Part 9, Section 9.1, to indicate the information collection requirements

contained in the Group IV Polymers and Resins NESHAP.

This action has no impact on the information collection burden estimates made previously. Therefore, the ICR has not been revised.

#### B. Executive Order 12866 Review

Under Executive Order 12866, the EPA must determine whether the regulatory action is "significant" and therefore, subject to OMB review and the requirements of the Executive Order. The Executive Order defines "significant regulatory action" as one that is likely to lead to a rule that may:

- (1) Have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more or adversely affect in a material way the economy, a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety in State, local, or tribal governments or communities;
- (2) Create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action taken or planned by another agency;
- (3) Materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees or loan programs or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof; or
- (4) Raise novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President's priorities, or the principles set forth in the Executive Order.

The proposed rule will provide a temporary extension of the compliance date specified in 40 CFR 63.1311(c) for the provisions contained in 40 CFR 63.1329 for existing affected sources producing PET using the continuous TPA high viscosity multiple end finisher process. The proposed rule does not add any additional control requirements. Therefore, this proposed rule was classified "non-significant" under Executive Order 12866 and was not required to be reviewed by OMB.

#### C. Regulatory Flexibility

The Regulatory Flexibility Act 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 government jurisdictions. This proposal would not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities because the proposed temporary compliance extension would not impose any economic burden on any regulated entities. Therefore, I certify that this action will not have a significant

economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

#### D. Unfunded Mandates

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

The EPA has determined that this proposed rule does not include a Federal mandate that may result in estimated costs of \$100 million or more to either State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate, or to the private sector. Therefore, the requirements of the Unfunded Mandates Act do not apply to this action.

#### List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 63

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Hazardous substances, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: March 23, 1998.

**Carol M. Browner,**  
Administrator.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### 40 CFR Part 300

[FRL-5985-4]

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

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to Delete the Southern Shipbuilding Corporation Superfund Site from the National Priorities List and Request for Comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 announces its intent to delete the Southern Shipbuilding Corporation Superfund Site (the "Site") from the National