

**MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
MISSISSIPPI ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PERMIT BOARD
NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**PUBLIC NOTICE START DATE: FEBRUARY 2, 2018
DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS: MARCH 5, 2018
PUBLIC HEARING DATE: MARCH 5, 2018**

PLEASE TAKE NOTE that the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality (“Commission”) is considering adoption of proposed amendments to state air pollution control regulations and a proposed revision to the State Implementation Plan for the Control of Air Pollution (“SIP Revision”), and the Mississippi Environmental Quality Permit Board (“Permit Board”) is considering adoption of amendments to the state permit board administrative regulations. The proposed regulation amendments and SIP Revision will be applicable statewide.

I. Substance of the proposed actions:

1. The Permit Board is considering adoption of proposed amendments to Mississippi Administrative Code, Title 11, Part 1, Chapter 5, “Mississippi Environmental Quality Permit Board: Regulations Regarding Administrative Procedures Pursuant to the Mississippi Administrative Procedures Act”. The proposed amendments provide consistency with the requirements of Section 110(a)(2)(E)(ii) and Section 128(a)(1) & (2) of the Federal Clean Air Act (“CAA”) such that a majority of the Permit Board members does not receive a significant portion of income from persons regulated under the CAA. The proposed amendments can be found in 11 Miss. Admin. Code, Pt. 1, Ch. 5, R. 5.1.
2. The Commission is considering adoption of proposed amendments to Mississippi Administrative Code, Title 11, Part 2, Chapter 1, “Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality, Air Emission Regulations for the Prevention, Abatement, and Control of Air Contaminants”. The proposed amendments provide consistency with the requirements of Section 110(a)(2)(E)(ii) and Section 128(a)(1) & (2) of the Federal Clean Air Act (“CAA”) such that a majority of the Permit Board members does not receive a significant portion of income from persons regulated under the CAA. The proposed amendments can be found in 11 Miss. Admin. Code, Pt. 2, Ch. 1, R. 1.1.
3. The Commission is proposing a SIP Revision to incorporate the aforementioned proposed amendments to 11 Miss. Admin. Code, Pt 1, Ch. 5, R. 5.1. and 11 Miss. Admin. Code, Pt. 2, Ch. 1, R. 1.1. into the SIP. The proposed amendments provide consistency with the requirements of Section 110(a)(2)(E)(ii) and Section 128(a)(1) & (2) of the Federal Clean Air Act (“CAA”) such that a majority of the Permit Board members does not receive a significant portion of income from persons regulated under the CAA.
4. The Commission is proposing to adopt, by reference, recent amendments to Federal New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) in 40 CFR Part 60, Federal National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) in 40 CFR Parts 61 and 63, and Federal Consolidated Air Rules (CAR) in 40 CFR Part 65 promulgated by the U. S. Environmental

Protection Agency. This adoption-by-reference will update the state adoption of federal rules as provided for in 11 Miss. Admin. Code, Pt. 2, Ch. 1, R. 1.6., and R. 1.8.

II. Manner by Which the Public May Comment.

The proposed regulation amendments and SIP Revision may be reviewed in the offices of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), 515 E. Amite St., Jackson, Mississippi 39201 by contacting Mr. Lorenzo Boddie, Public Records Administrator at 601-961-5171. For persons with internet access, the proposed regulation amendments and SIP Revision may be found on the MDEQ website at <http://www.deq.state.ms.us> under Air, New Information. The proposed amendments and SIP Revision will also be available for public review in the main branches of the public libraries in the cities of Gulfport and Tupelo in the State of Mississippi.

Members of the public may present verbal or written comments during the public hearing described below or by submitting written statements to MDEQ, P.O. Box 2261, Jackson, Mississippi 39225. Any written statements regarding the proposed regulation amendments or SIP Revision will be a part of the public hearing record if received by 5:00 p.m., Monday, March 5, 2018. Such delivery should be made to the attention of Mr. Chad Lafontaine to the mailing address shown above or to the physical address shown below.

III. Notice of Public Hearing.

The hearing will be held on Monday, March 5, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room (Room 104A) at the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, 515 East Amite Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201.

IV. Additional Information.

For additional information, please contact Mr. Chad Lafontaine at 601-961-5171.