

**MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 24, 2022, the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality (Commission) voted to amend Title 11 of the Mississippi Administrative Code, Part 2, Chapter 6, titled “Air Emissions Operating Permit Regulations for the Purposes of Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act”. The action is reflected in Commission Order 7179-22.

I. Substance of the aforementioned actions.

The amendments to “Air Emissions Operating Permit Regulations for the Purposes of Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act”, involve revisions necessary to implement a modified fee system for the Title V program to ensure continued and long-term compliance with state and federal law requiring the program to be adequately and equitably funded. The revisions retain the emissions-based portion of the fee calculation and incorporate a maintenance fee based on a source’s number of applicable air regulations. Other changes include removal of the 4,000 ton per pollutant maximum, establishing an appropriate minimum fee each year after an annual evaluation, removal of outdated information, and other editorial changes for improved clarity.

II. Manner by Which the Public May Comment.

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-41, within thirty (30) days of the date of the Order, any interested person may request that a hearing be conducted regarding the issuance of this Order. Such request must be made in writing to Mr. Chris Wells, Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 2261, Jackson, Mississippi 39225.

III. Effective Date.

Except in the event of any filed request for a hearing as described above, the effective date of the amendments shall be September 1, 2022.

IV. Additional Information.

Any person wishing to obtain additional information on this matter or a copy of the regulations or Order reflecting the Commission’s action may contact Ms. Laura James at (601) 961-5675 or [ljames@mdeq.ms.gov](mailto:ljames@mdeq.ms.gov), or Mr. Bryan Williams at (601) 961-5799 or [bwilliams@mdeq.ms.gov](mailto:bwilliams@mdeq.ms.gov). Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons whom you know will be interested.