procedures established in § 62.45. A SEVIS reinstatement is processed as follows:

(1) The responsible officer must submit an electronic request for reinstatement to the Department through SEVIS.

(2) The responsible officer must print a copy of the reinstatement request (draft copy of the Form DS–2019) from the SEVIS system.

(3) The responsible officer must submit the official request along with the required supporting documentation justifying the reinstatement and the required, non-reimbursable fee (refer to § 62.90-Fee) to the Department within 30 calendar days of the SEVIS submission date.

(4) The Department will review the request. If approved, the Department will enter the approval in SEVIS, thereby opening the file so that the responsible officer may print a Form DS–2019. How is the sponsor going to know they received an answer to their request? The Department's approval is required before a Form DS–2019 can be printed. What happens if the request is denied?

(b) An exchange visitor (and the accompanying spouse and any dependent children) who failed to submit a change of current U.S. address as required under § 62.63 is in violation of the Exchange Visitor Program regulations and is not eligible for reinstatement. The Department will deny any such application for reinstatement.

(c) An exchange visitor (and accompanying spouse and any dependent children) who is ineligible for reinstatement or whose request for reinstatement has been denied is no longer an Exchange Visitor Program participant. He or she cannot remain in the United States unless another lawful immigration status is obtained.

§62.78 Termination.

An exchange visitor who willfully or negligently fails to comply with the requirements established in Public Law 104–208, as amended, shall be terminated from the Exchange Visitor Program by the sponsor.

§62.79 Sanctions.

(a) The Department of State shall impose sanctions against a sponsor that has:

(1) Willfully or negligently failed to comply with the reporting requirements established in Public Law 104–208, as amended; or,

(2) Produced SEVIS Forms DS–2019 outside the United States or a United States territory; or, (3) Whose authorized representatives fail to secure their SEVIS logon ID and password.

(b) [Reserved]

Dated: December 6, 2002.

Patricia S. Harrison,

Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State. [FR Doc. 02–31367 Filed 12–11–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4710-05–P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[AL-059-200306(a); FRL-7419-9]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans: Revisions to the Alabama Nitrogen Oxides Budget and Allowance Trading Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA is approving revisions to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management's nitrogen oxides budget and allowance trading program submitted on September 13, 2002, by the State of Alabama. These revisions are designed to provide greater flexibility to reward sources that achieve quantifiable reductions ahead of the compliance deadline by allowing sources to request credit for early reductions obtained during the 2001 control period.

DATES: This direct final rule is effective February 10, 2003 without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse comment by January 13, 2003. 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: All comments should be addressed to: Sean Lakeman; Regulatory Development Section; Air Planning Branch; Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 4; 61 Forsyth Street, SW; Atlanta, Georgia 30303–8960

Copies of documents relative to this action are available at the following addresses for inspection during normal business hours:

- Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Air Planning Branch, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303–8960
- Alabama Department of Environmental Management, 400 Coliseum

Boulevard, Montgomery, Alabama 36110–2059

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sean Lakeman; Regulatory Development Section; Air Planning Branch; Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 4; 61 Forsyth Street, SW; Atlanta, Georgia 30303–8960. Mr. Lakeman can also be reached by phone at (404) 562–9043 or by electronic mail at *lakeman.sean@epa.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Analysis of State's Submittal

On September 13, 2002, the State of Alabama through Alabama Department of Environmental Management submitted revisions to Chapter 335-3-8 regarding early reduction credits. The revisions to Chapter 335–3–8–.10–– NO_X Allowance Tracking System would provide greater flexibility to reward sources that achieve quantifiable reductions ahead of the compliance deadline May 1, 2004, by allowing sources to qualify for early reduction credit in the form of nitrogen oxides allowances from a compliance supplement pool for the 2001 control period. This is being accomplished by expanding the early reduction credit program from 2002 through 2003 to 2001 through 2003.

II. Final Action

EPA is approving the aforementioned change to the State of Alabama's SIP because it is consistent with the CAA and EPA policy. The EPA is publishing this rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal 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 February 10, 2003 without further notice unless the Agency receives adverse comments by January 13, 2003.

If the EPA receives such comments, then EPA will publish a document withdrawing the final rule and 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. Parties interested in commenting should do so at this time. If no such comments are received, the public is advised that this rule will be effective on February 10, 2003 and no further action will be taken on the proposed rule.

III. Administrative Requirements

Under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993), this action is not a "significant regulatory action" and therefore is not subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget. For this reason, this action is also not subject to Executive Order 13211, "Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use'' (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001). This action merely approves state law as meeting Federal requirements and imposes no additional requirements beyond those imposed by state law. Accordingly, the Administrator certifies that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.). Because this rule approves pre-existing requirements under state law and does not impose any additional enforceable duty beyond that required by state law, it does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-4).

This rule also does not have tribal implications because it will not have a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000). This action also does not have Federalism implications because it does not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government, as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999). This action merely

approves a state rule implementing a Federal standard, and does not alter the relationship or the distribution of power and responsibilities established in the Clean Air Act. This rule also is not subject to Executive Order 13045 "Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks" (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997), because it is not economically significant.

In reviewing SIP submissions, EPA's role is to approve state choices, provided that they meet the criteria of the Clean Air Act. In this context, in the absence of a prior existing requirement for the State to use voluntary consensus standards (VCS), EPA has no authority to disapprove a SIP submission for failure to use VCS. It would thus be inconsistent with applicable law for EPA, when it reviews a SIP submission, to use VCS in place of a SIP submission that otherwise satisfies the provisions of the Clean Air Act. Thus, the requirements of section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) do not apply. This rule does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).

The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. section 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. A major rule cannot take effect until 60 days after it

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is published in the **Federal Register**. This action is not a "major rule" as defined by 5 U.S.C. section 804(2).

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 February 10, 2003. 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, Intergovernmental relations, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Volatile organic compounds.

Dated: November 26, 2002.

A. Stanley Meiburg,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.

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 B-Alabama

2. Section 52.50(c) is amended by revising the entry for "Section 335–3–8.10" to read as follows:

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§ 52.50 Identification of plan.
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Section 335-3-8.10	NO _X Allowance Tracking System.	August 27, 2002	December 12, 2002	[Insert FR page publication date]	
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 02–1776, MM Docket No. 00–121, RM– 9674]

Digital Television Broadcast Service; Kingston, NY

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission, by this document, denies a Petition for Reconsideration and Motion for Stay filed by WKOB Communications, Inc. of the Report and Order, which substituted DTV channel 48 for station WRNN–DT's assigned DTV channel 21 at Kingston, New York. *See* 67 FR 5070, February 4, 2002. With is action, this proceeding is terminated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alan E. Aronowitz, Media Bureau, (202) 418–1600.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Memorandum Opinion and Order, MM Docket No. 00-121, adopted July 23, 2002, and released July 29, 2002. The full text of this document is available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-A257, Washington, DC. This document may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, CY-B402, Washington, DC, 20554, telephone 202-863-2893, facsimile 202-863-2898, or via e-mail qualexint@aol.com.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Digital television broadcasting, television.

Federal Communications Commission.

Barbara A. Kreisman,

Chief, Video Division, Media Bureau. [FR Doc. 02–31384 Filed 12–11–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6712-01–P

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 648

[Docket No. 011109274–1301–02; I.D. 120602A]

Summer Flounder Fishery

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Commercial quota transfer; commercial fishery reopening.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces that the State of North Carolina is transferring 20,000 lb (9,072 kg) of commercial summer flounder quota to Connecticut from its 2002 quota. By this action, NMFS adjusts the quotas and announces the revised commercial quota for each state involved. NMFS also announces that the summer flounder commercial fishery in the exclusive economic zone for Connecticut is reopened, effective December 6, 2002. Vessels issued a commercial Federal fisheries permit for the summer flounder fishery may land summer flounder in Connecticut for the remainder of calendar year 2002, unless Connecticut harvests its commercial quota before the end of the calendar year. Regulations governing the summer flounder fishery require the publication of this notification to advise Connecticut that the fishery has reopened and to advise vessel permit holders and dealer permit holders that commercial quota is available for landing summer flounder in Connecticut.

DATES: Effective December 6, 2002, through December 31, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jason Blackburn, Fishery Management Specialist, (978) 281–9326.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Regulations governing the summer flounder fishery are found at 50 CFR part 648. The regulations require annual specification of a commercial quota that is apportioned among the coastal states from North Carolina through Maine. The process to set the annual commercial quota and the percent allocated to each state are described in § 648.100.

After taking into account any overages of state quotas that occurred in 2001, the total commercial quota for summer flounder for the 2002 calendar year was set equal to 14,456,636 lb (6,557,420 kg), with a quota of 329,044 lb (149,252 kg) for Connecticut and a quota of 4,001,133 lb (1,814,883 kg) for North Carolina (66 FR 66350; December 26, 2001).

The final rule implementing Amendment 5 to the FMP that was published on December 17, 1993 (58 FR 65936), provided the mechanism for summer flounder quota to be transferred from one state to another. Two or more states, under mutual agreement and with the concurrence of the Administrator, Northeast Region, NMFS, (Regional Administrator) can transfer or combine summer flounder commercial quota under §648.100(d). The Regional Administrator is required to consider the criteria set forth in §648.100(d)(3) in the evaluation of requests for quota transfers or combinations.

North Carolina has agreed to transfer 20,000 lb (9,072 kg) of its 2002 commercial quota to Connecticut. The Regional Administrator has determined that the criteria set forth in § 648.100(d)(3) have been met. The revised quotas for calendar year 2002 are: Connecticut, 349,044 lb (158,324 kg); and North Carolina, 3,981,133 lb (1,805,812 kg).

NMFS issued a notification in the Federal Register on November 25, 2002 (67 FR 70556), announcing that the summer flounder commercial quota available to Connecticut had been harvested. The Regional Administrator has determined, based upon dealer reports and upon other available information, that North Carolina will not attain its quota for 2002 and, based on the 20,000-lb (9,072-kg) transfer of commercial summer flounder quota to Connecticut, that the Connecticut commercial summer flounder fishery in the exclusive economic zone will reopen effective 0001 hours, December 6, 2002 through December 31, 2002. Therefore, vessels issued a commercial Federal fisheries permit for the summer flounder fishery may land summer flounder in Connecticut for the remainder of calendar year 2002, unless closed due to Connecticut harvesting its commercial quota before the end of the calendar year. Such closure would be announced through notification in the Federal Register. Effective December 6, 2002 through December 31, 2002, federally permitted dealers are also advised that they may purchase summer flounder from federally permitted vessels that land in Connecticut for the remainder of the calendar year.

Classification

This action is taken under 50 CFR part 648 and is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.