

13 CFR part 121, or any successor provisions.

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(The Office of Management and Budget approved the information collection requirements contained in this section and assigned control number 3069-0057 with an expiration date of April 30, 2000)

Dated: September 10, 1997.

By the Board of Directors of the Federal Housing Finance Board

Bruce A. Morrison,

Chairperson.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

30 CFR Parts 210 and 218

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Designation of Payor Recordkeeping

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: Interim final rulemaking; notice of extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The Minerals Management Service (MMS) hereby gives notice that it is extending the public comment period on an Interim final rulemaking and information collection, which was published in the **Federal Register** on August 5, 1997, (62 FR 42062). In response to requests for additional time, MMS will extend the comment period from October 6, 1997, to November 6, 1997.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 6, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to: David S. Guzy, Chief, Rules and Publications Staff, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, P.O. Box 25165, MS 3021, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165; courier delivery to Building 85, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225; or e-Mail David_Guzy.mms.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David S. Guzy, Chief, Rules and Publications Staff, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, telephone (303) 231-3432, Fax (303) 231-3385, e-Mail David_Guzy@mms.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: MMS received requests to extend the comment period in order to provide commenters with adequate time to provide detailed comments to MMS. After this comment period closes, MMS will submit an information collection request to the Office of Management and

Budget (OMB) to extend the authority to use the information collection in this Interim Final Rule, titled Designation of Royalty Payment Responsibility (OMB Control Number 1010-0107, expiration date January 31, 1998). We will publish a **Federal Register** notice and respond to any comments received and we will again invite comment on our request to OMB to extend this information collection.

Dated: September 29, 1997.

Lucy Querques Denett,

Associate Director for Royalty Management.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[FRL-5901-7]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Connecticut; Reasonably Available Control Technology for Nitrogen Oxides

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is approving a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of Connecticut. This revision establishes and requires Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) at stationary sources of nitrogen oxides (NO_x). The intended effect of this action is to approve regulatory provisions and source specific orders which require major stationary sources of NO_x to reduce their emissions statewide in accordance with requirements of the Clean Air Act.

DATES: This action is effective December 5, 1997, unless adverse or critical comments are received by November 5, 1997. If the effective date is delayed, timely notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Susan Studlien, Deputy Director, Office of Ecosystem Protection (mail code CAA), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, JFK Federal Building, Boston, MA 02203-2211. Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours, by appointment, at the Office Ecosystem Protection, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I, One Congress Street, 11th floor, Boston, MA; as well as the Bureau of Air Management, Department of

Environmental Protection, State Office Building, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-1630.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Clean Air Act (CAA) requires that States develop Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) regulations for all major stationary sources of nitrogen oxides (NO_x) in areas which have been classified as "moderate," "serious," "severe," and "extreme" ozone nonattainment areas, and in all areas of the Ozone Transport Region (OTR). EPA has defined RACT as the lowest emission limitation that a particular source is capable of meeting by the application of control technology that is reasonably available considering technological and economic feasibility (44 FR 53762; September 17, 1979). This requirement is established by sections 182(b)(2), 182(f), and 184(b) of the CAA.

Major sources in moderate areas are subject to section 182(b)(2), which requires States to adopt RACT for all major sources of VOC. This requirement also applies to all major sources in areas with higher classifications. Additionally, section 182(f) of the CAA states that "The plan provisions required under this subpart for major stationary sources of volatile organic compounds shall also apply to major stationary sources (as defined in section 302 and subsections (c), (d), and (e) of the section) of oxides of nitrogen." For serious nonattainment areas, a major source is defined by section 182(c) as a source that has the potential to emit 50 tons per year. For severe nonattainment areas, a major source is defined by section 182(d) as a source that has the potential to emit 25 tons per year. The entire State of Connecticut is classified as nonattainment for ozone, with the Connecticut portion of the New York-New Jersey-Long Island CMSA being classified as severe, and with the rest of the State being classified as serious.

These CAA NO_x requirements are further described by EPA in a notice entitled, "State Implementation Plans; Nitrogen Oxides Supplement to the General Preamble; Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 Implementation of Title I; Proposed Rule," published November 25, 1992 (57 FR 55620). The November 25, 1992 notice, also known as the "NO_x Supplement," should be