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North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality

Public Notice and EPA Comment Letter

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**NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE**

PURPOSE:

The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality (NCDAQ) hereby gives notice regarding a Pre-Hearing Draft Revision to its 2010 1-Hour Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂) Standard Infrastructure State Implementation Plan (SIP), Element 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I), referred to as the "Good Neighbor" provision. This SIP revision demonstrates that based on currently available air quality monitoring and modeling data and the downward trend in statewide SO₂ emissions, emissions activities within North Carolina will not significantly contribute to nonattainment or interfere with maintenance of the 2010 1-hour SO₂ NAAQS in a neighboring state. Persons wishing to submit comments or request a public hearing are invited to do so.

**COMMENT
PROCEDURES:**

Any person wishing to comment may submit a written statement for inclusion in the record of proceedings regarding the Revision to the 2010 1-Hour SO₂ Infrastructure SIP, Element 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I). Written comments should be received by no later than Monday, June 6, 2016.

**REQUESTS FOR A
PUBLIC HEARING:**

Requests for a public hearing must be in writing and include a statement supporting the need for such a hearing, an indication of your interest in the subject, and a brief summary of the information intended to be offered at such hearing. A public hearing will be scheduled if requested. A separate notice will be announced for the hearing including the date, time and location. Written requests for a public hearing should be received no later than Monday, June 6, 2016 and addressed to Randy Strait, Division of Air Quality, 1641 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1641.

INFORMATION:

Copies of the Pre-Hearing Draft Revision to the 2010 1-Hour Sulfur Dioxide Infrastructure SIP, Element 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I), may be downloaded from the DAQ website at <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/air-quality/air-quality-planning/state-implementation-plans/110i-infrastructure-certifications>.

Comments can be submitted electronically to:

daq.publiccomments@ncdenr.gov

(Please type "2010 SO₂ SIP Revision" in the subject line)

Comments can be mailed or faxed to:

Randy Strait
NC Division of Air Quality
1641 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1641
Fax: (919) 707-8715

The Pre-Hearing Draft Revision to the Infrastructure SIP, Element 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I) may be reviewed in person during normal business hours at the following North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality offices:

Raleigh Central Office, Planning Section	(919) 707-8721
Asheville Regional Office	(828) 296-4500
Fayetteville Regional Office	(910) 433-3300
Mooresville Regional Office	(704) 663-1699
Raleigh Regional Office	(919) 791-4200
Washington Regional Office	(252) 946-6481
Wilmington Regional Office	(910) 796-7215
Winston-Salem Regional Office	(336) 771-5000

Date: 5/5/16



Sheila C. Holman, Director

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Ms. Sheila C. Holman
Director
North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality
Division of Air Quality
1641 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1641

Dear Ms. Holman:

The Region 4 Office of the Environmental Protection Agency received the North Carolina Department of Environment Quality on May 6, 2016 prehearing proposal regarding revision to North Carolina's Clean Air Act Section (CAA) 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I) "Good Neighbor" (prongs 1 and 2) State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the 2010 1-hour sulfur dioxide (SO₂) national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS). We have completed our review of the submittal and offer comments in the enclosure.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Lynorae Benjamin, Chief, Air Regulatory Management Section at (404) 562-9040, or have your staff contact Ms. Tiereny Bell at (404) 562-9088.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lynorae Benjamin" with a flourish at the end.

R. Scott Davis
Chief
Air Planning and Implementation Branch

Enclosure

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Comments on North Carolina's Prehearing Submission for the 2010 1-hour SO₂ "Good Neighbor" (prongs 1 and 2) SIP Infrastructure Requirements

I. Key Comments:

- 110(a)(2)(D)(i) prongs 1 and 2
 - The EPA notes that existing available 110(a)(1) and (2) infrastructure guidance does not explicitly address the CAA section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I) "Good Neighbor" (prongs 1 and 2) provisions with respect to the 2010 1-hour SO₂ NAAQS. Considering the source-specific nature of the 2010 1-hour SO₂ NAAQS and the court-ordered consent decree requiring the EPA to complete remaining designations throughout the country (i.e. characterization of SO₂ emitting sources), the EPA is still in the process of developing policy and guidance to support air agencies with their obligation to address the provisions of the Good Neighbor provision under the CAA with respect to the 2010 1-hour SO₂ NAAQS. The EPA notes that any potential guidance and/or technical analysis released subsequent to the air agency submitting to the EPA a Good Neighbor SIP may require a supplement to the SIP submission to fully address the requirements.