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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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**Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware;
Section 110(a)(2) Infrastructure Requirements for the 2008 Lead
National Ambient Air Quality Standards**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve a submittal from the State of Delaware pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA). This submittal addresses the infrastructure elements of the CAA, necessary to implement, maintain, and enforce the 2008 lead national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS).

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before [insert date 30 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID Number **EPA-R03-OAR-2012-0376** by one of the following methods:

- A. www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- B. E-mail: mastro.donna@epa.gov.
- C. Mail: **EPA-R03-OAR-2012-0376**, Donna Mastro, Acting Associate Director, Office of Air Program Planning, Mailcode 3AP30, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On October 15, 2008, EPA revised the primary and secondary lead NAAQS from 1.5 micrograms per cubic meter ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) to $0.15 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$. Section 110(a) of the CAA requires states to submit SIPs that provide for the implementation, maintenance, and enforcement of new or revised NAAQS within three years following the promulgation of such NAAQS. Section 110(a) imposes the obligation upon states to make a SIP submission to EPA for a new or revised NAAQS. For the 2008 lead NAAQS, states typically have met many of the basic program elements required in section 110(a)(2) through earlier SIP submissions in connection with previous lead standards. Section 110(a)(2) lists specific elements that states must meet or continue to meet in these SIP submissions. The requirements include SIP infrastructure elements

such as requirements for modeling, monitoring, and emissions inventories that are designed to assure attainment and maintenance of the NAAQS. Section 110(a)(2) infrastructure elements (A) through (M) are listed in EPA's memorandum from Stephen D. Page, Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards to the Regional Air Directors, Regions 1 – 10, "Guidance on Infrastructure State Implementation Plan (SIP) Elements Required Under Sections 110(a)(1) and 110(a)(2) for the 2008 Lead (Pb) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)," October 14, 2011.

II. Summary of State Submittal

On October 17, 2011, Delaware provided a submittal to satisfy section 110(a)(2) of the CAA requirements that are the subject of this proposed rule for the 2008 lead NAAQS. This submittal addressed the following infrastructure elements: section 110(a)(2)(A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), (H), (I), (J), (K), (L), and (M), or portions thereof.

EPA has analyzed the above identified submissions and is proposing to make a determination that such submittals meet the requirements of section 110(a)(2)(A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), (H), (I), (J), (K), (L), and (M) of the CAA, or portions thereof. A detailed summary of EPA's review of and rationale for approving Delaware's submittals may be found in the Technical Support Document (TSD) for this action which is available on line at www.regulations.gov, Docket number **EPA-R03-OAR-2012-0376**.

III. Proposed Action

EPA is proposing to approve Delaware's submittals that provide the basic program elements

specified in the CAA section 110(a)(2)(A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), (H), (I), (J), (K), (L), and (M), or portions thereof, necessary to implement, maintain, and enforce the 2008 lead NAAQS. EPA is soliciting public comments on the issues discussed in this document. These comments will be considered before taking final action.

IV. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

Under the CAA, the Administrator is required to approve a SIP submission that complies with the provisions of the CAA and applicable Federal regulations. 42 U.S.C. 7410(k); 40 CFR 52.02(a). Thus, in reviewing SIP submissions, EPA's role is to approve state choices, provided that they meet the criteria of the CAA. Accordingly, this action merely proposes to approve state law as meeting Federal requirements and does not impose additional requirements beyond those imposed by state law. For that reason, this proposed action:

- is not a "significant regulatory action" subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993);
- does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.);
- is certified as not having a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.);
- does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-4);

- does not have Federalism implications as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999);
- is not an economically significant regulatory action based on health or safety risks subject to Executive Order 13045 (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997);
- is not a significant regulatory action subject to Executive Order 13211 (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001);
- is not subject to requirements of Section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) because application of those requirements would be inconsistent with the CAA; and
- does not provide EPA with the discretionary authority to address, as appropriate, disproportionate human health or environmental effects, using practicable and legally permissible methods, under Executive Order 12898 (59 FR 7629, February 16, 1994).

In addition, this proposed rule, pertaining to Delaware's section 110(a)(2) infrastructure requirements for the 2008 lead NAAQS, does not have tribal implications as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000), because the SIP is not approved to apply in Indian country located in the state, and EPA notes that it will not impose substantial direct costs on tribal governments or preempt tribal law.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, lead, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.

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