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**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM02-1-000]

#### Standardization of Generator Interconnection Agreements and Procedures; Notice of Staff Public Meeting

January 3, 2002.

In October 2001, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) issued an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking comments on a standard generator interconnection agreement and procedure that would be applicable to all public utilities that own, operate, or control transmission facilities under the Federal Power Act. As part of this process, on January 11, 2002, the Generator Interconnection Coalition<sup>1</sup> (Coalition) will file a single consensus document that will include a standard connection agreement and a standard interconnection procedures document.

The Commission staff will hold public meetings on Thursday, January 17, 2002, and Friday, January 18, 2002, to discuss and clarify the consensus document. The meetings are scheduled to take place each day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE, Washington, DC.

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<sup>1</sup> The Coalition includes representatives from: generators, marketers, transmission owners, industrial power producers, transmission dependent utilities, regional transmission organizations, independent system operators, distributed resources and state commissions. A list of the Coalition Members is included in Attachment 1 of the Coalition's Status Report, which was filed in this docket on December 14, 2001.

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[GA-057-1-200210; FRL-7125-6]

### Adequacy Status of the Atlanta, Georgia, Ozone Attainment Demonstration for Transportation Conformity Purposes

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of adequacy.

**SUMMARY:** In this action, EPA is notifying the public that we have found the motor vehicle emissions budgets in the Atlanta, Georgia, ozone attainment demonstration submitted on July 1, 2001, adequate for conformity purposes. On March 2, 1999, the D.C. Circuit Court ruled that submitted State Implementation Plans (SIPs) cannot be used for conformity determinations until EPA has affirmatively found them adequate. As a result of our finding, the Atlanta ozone nonattainment area must use the motor vehicle emissions budgets from the submitted ozone attainment demonstration for future conformity determinations.

**DATES:** This finding is effective January 23, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The finding and the response to comments will be available at EPA's conformity Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/oms/traq>, (once there, click on the "Conformity" button, then look for "Adequacy Review of SIP Submissions for Conformity").

The SIP is available for public viewing at the United States Environmental Protection Agency, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia, 30303. You can request a copy of the SIP submission by contacting Kelly Sheckler, Air Quality Modeling and Transportation Section, United States Environmental Protection Agency, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, phone: (404) 562-9042, fax: (404) 562-9019, e-mail: [Sheckler.Kelly@epa.gov](mailto:Sheckler.Kelly@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

This notice is simply an announcement of a finding that we have already made. EPA Region 4 sent a letter to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division on December 20, 2001, stating that the motor vehicle emissions budgets in the Atlanta, Georgia, ozone attainment demonstration for 2004 are adequate. This finding has been announced on EPA's conformity website referenced above.

EPA Region 4 received comments on the motor vehicle emissions budget for

transportation conformity purposes contained in the Atlanta, Georgia, 1-hour ozone attainment demonstration. EPA Region 4 has prepared a response to those comments and has posted the response on the website referenced above.

Transportation conformity is required by section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act. EPA's conformity rule requires that transportation plans, programs, and projects conform to SIPs and establishes the criteria and procedures for determining whether or not they do. Conformity to a SIP means that transportation activities will not produce new air quality violations, worsen existing violations, or delay timely attainment of the national ambient air quality standards.

We have described our process for determining the adequacy of submitted SIP budgets in guidance (May 14, 1999 memo titled "Conformity Guidance on Implementation of March 2, 1999 Conformity Court Decision"). This guidance was used in making our adequacy determination. The criteria by which we determine whether a SIP's motor vehicle emission budgets are adequate for conformity purposes are outlined in 40 CFR 93.118(e)(4). Please note that an adequacy review is separate from EPA's completeness review, and it also should not be used to prejudge EPA's ultimate action to approve or disapprove the SIP. The SIP could later be disapproved for reasons unrelated to the transportation conformity even though the budgets have been deemed adequate.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.

Dated: December 20, 2001.

**Mike Peyton,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7126-9]

### Notice of Withdrawal of Proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreement in Relation to the Metcoa Radiation Superfund Site, Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.