

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**40 CFR Part 52**

[EPA-R05-OAR-2008-0786; FRL-8907-4]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Minnesota**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve a request submitted by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) on October 9, 2008, to revise the Minnesota State Implementation Plan (SIP) for particulate matter less than 10 microns (PM₁₀). The proposed approval revises the Minnesota SIP by updating information regarding the steel mini-mill facility located at 1678 Red Rock Road, St. Paul, Minnesota. It acknowledges the change of ownership and operation of the source from North Star Steel Company to Gerdau Ameristeel US, Inc. The revision also amends the SIP by removing the Administrative Order issued to North Star Steel Company, and replacing the SIP conditions from the Administrative Order and placing those SIP requirements in a joint Title I/Title V document for Gerdau Ameristeel US, Inc. These revisions will not result in an increase in PM₁₀ emissions because no emission limits were increased.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before June 19, 2009.**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R05-OAR-2008-0786, by one of the following methods:

1. <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
2. *E-mail*: mooney.john@epa.gov.
3. *Fax*: (312) 886-5824.
4. *Mail*: John M. Mooney, Chief, Criteria Pollutant Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.
5. *Hand Delivery*: John M. Mooney, Chief, Criteria Pollutant Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Regional Office normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. The Regional Office official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. excluding Federal holidays.

Please see the direct final rule which is located in the Rules section of this **Federal Register** for detailed instructions on how to submit comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Charles Hatten, Environmental Engineer, Criteria Pollutant Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 886-6031, hatten.charles@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because EPA views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this rule, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule.

EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment. For additional information, see the direct final rule which is located in the Rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: May 5, 2009.

Walter W. Kovalick, Jr.,*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 5.*

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BILLING CODE 6560-50-P**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY****40 CFR Part 80**

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2005-0161; FRL-8906-9]

RIN 2060-A081**Public Hearing for the RFS2 Rule****AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).**ACTION:** Announcement of public hearing.**SUMMARY:** The EPA is announcing a public hearing to be held for the

proposed rule "Regulation of Fuels and Fuel Additives: Changes to Renewable Fuel Standard Program" (the proposed rule is hereinafter referred to as "RFS2"), which will be published separately in the **Federal Register**. The hearing will be held in Washington, DC on June 9, 2009.

In a separate notice of proposed rulemaking, EPA is proposing a regulation to implement changes to the Renewable Fuel Standard program as mandated by the Clean Air Act (as amended by Sections 201, 202, and 210 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007). The revised statutory requirements specify the volumes of cellulosic biofuel, biomass-based diesel, advanced biofuel, and total renewable fuel that must be used in transportation fuel each year, with the volumes increasing over time. The rule proposes regulations designed to ensure that refiners, blenders, and importers of gasoline and diesel would use enough renewable fuel each year so that the four volume requirements of the Energy Independence and Security Act would be met with renewable fuels that also meet the required lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions performance standards. The RFS2 proposed rule describes the standards that would apply to these parties and the renewable fuels that would qualify for compliance, and the proposed regulations make a number of changes to the current Renewable Fuel Standard program while retaining many elements of the compliance and trading system already in place. The signed notice of proposed rulemaking was posted on the EPA Web site prior to publication in the **Federal Register**, and contained the same public hearing date presented in this announcement.

DATES: The public hearing will be held on June 9, 2009 in Washington, DC. To register to testify at the hearing, notify the contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** by June 1, 2009. Information regarding time of the hearing, as well as the Lifecycle Greenhouse Gas (GHG) workshop, is also listed below in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The hearing will be held at the following location: Dupont Hotel, 1500 New Hampshire Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20036. Written comments on the proposed rule may also be submitted to EPA electronically, by mail, by facsimile, or through hand delivery/courier. Please refer to the notice of proposed rulemaking for the addresses and detailed instructions for submitting written comments.

When the proposed rule is published in the **Federal Register**, a complete set

of documents related to the proposal will be available for public inspection at the EPA Docket Center, located at 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 3334, Washington, DC between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying. Documents are also available through the electronic docket system at <http://www.regulations.gov>. The EPA Web site for the rulemaking, which includes information about the public hearings and a copy of the signed proposal (which is essentially the same as the proposal that will be published) can be found at: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/renewablefuels/index.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia MacAllister, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, Assessment and Standards Division, Environmental Protection Agency, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105; telephone number: (734) 214-4131; fax number: (734) 214-4816; e-mail address: macallister.julia@epa.gov, or Assessment and Standards Division Hotline; telephone number (734) 214-4636; E-mail address: asdinfor@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposal for which EPA is holding the public hearing will be published separately in the **Federal Register**. A copy of the signed notice of proposed rulemaking, which is essentially the same as the proposal that will be published in the **Federal Register**, has been available since May 5, 2009, on the following Web site: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/renewablefuels/index.htm>. The notice on the Web site contains the same public hearing date, addresses, and registration information presented in this announcement of public hearing.

Public Hearing: The public hearing will provide interested parties the opportunity to present data, views, or arguments concerning the proposed rule. The EPA may ask clarifying questions during the oral presentations but will not respond to the presentations at that time. Written statements and supporting information submitted during the comment period will be considered with the same weight as any oral comments and supporting information presented at the public hearing. Written comments must be received by the last day of the comment period, as specified in the proposal of the RFS2 rule.

The public hearing will be held on June 9 in Washington, DC and will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 5 p.m., local time. To testify at the public hearing, please notify the contact person listed

under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** by June 1, 2009.

Verbatim transcripts of the hearings and written statements will be included in the rulemaking docket.

Workshop: We will also hold a workshop on June 10–11, 2009 at the Dupont Hotel in Washington, DC to present details of our lifecycle GHG analysis. During this workshop, we intend to go through the lifecycle GHG analysis included in this proposal. The intent of this workshop is to help ensure a full understanding of our lifecycle analysis, the major issues identified and the options discussed. We expect that this workshop will help ensure that we receive submission of the most thoughtful and useful comments to this proposal and that the best methodology and assumptions are used for calculating GHG emissions impacts of fuels for the final rule. While this workshop will be held during the comment period, it is not intended to replace either the formal public hearing or the need to submit comments to the docket.

How Can I Get Copies of This Document, the Proposed Rule, and Other Related Information?

The EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2005–0161. The EPA has also developed a Web site for the proposed RFS2 rule, including the notice of proposed rulemaking, at the address given above. Please refer to the notice of proposed rulemaking for detailed information on accessing information related to the proposal.

Dated: May 13, 2009.

Margo T. Oge,

Director, Office of Transportation and Air Quality.

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40 CFR Part 271

[EPA–R06–RCRA–2008–0757; FRL–8905–5]

Louisiana: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The State of Louisiana has applied to EPA for Final authorization of the changes to its hazardous waste program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

EPA proposes to grant Final authorization to the State of Louisiana. In the “Rules and Regulations” section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is authorizing the changes by an immediate final rule. EPA did not make a proposal prior to the immediate final rule because we believe this action is not controversial and do not expect comments that oppose it. We have explained the reasons for this authorization in the preamble to the immediate final rule. Unless we get written comments which oppose this authorization during the comment period, the immediate final rule will become effective on the date it establishes, and we will not take further action on this proposal. If we receive comments that oppose this action, we will withdraw the immediate final rule and it will not take effect. We will then respond to public comments in a later final rule based on this proposal. You may not have another opportunity for comment. If you want to comment on this action, you must do so at this time.

DATE: Send your written comments by June 19, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Alima Patterson, Region 6, Regional Authorization Coordinator, (6PD–O), Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division, at the address shown below. You can examine copies of the materials submitted by the State of Louisiana during normal business hours at the following locations: EPA Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733, phone number (214) 665–6444; or Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70884–2178, phone number (225) 219–3559. Comments may also be submitted electronically or through hand delivery/courier; please follow the detailed instructions in the **ADDRESSES** section of the immediate final rule which is located in the Rules section of this **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alima Patterson, (214) 665–8533.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information, please see the immediate final rule published in the “Rules and Regulations” section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: April 30, 2009.

Lawrence E. Starfield,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 6.

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