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[EPA-R04-OAR-2013-0629; FRL-9904-42-Region-4]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Carolina; **Transportation Conformity Memorandum of Agreement Update**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve a revision to the North Carolina State Implementation Plan submitted on July 12, 2013, through the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources. This submission adopts a memorandum of agreement establishing transportation conformity criteria and procedures related to interagency consultation and enforceability of certain transportation-related control measures and mitigation measures. This proposed action streamlines the conformity process to allow direct consultation among agencies at the Federal, state and local levels. This proposed action is being taken pursuant to section 110 of the Clean Air Act.

In the Final Rules Section of this Federal Register, EPA is approving the State's implementation plan revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency 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 If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule.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 on this document. Any parties interested in commenting on this document should do so at this time.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before January 27, 2014. **ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID Number EPA-

R04-OAR-2013-0629 by one of the following methods:

1. www.regulations.gov: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- 2. Email: R4-RDS@epa.gov.
- 3. Fax: (404) 562-9019.
- 4. Mail: EPA-R04-OAR-2013-0629, Regulatory Development Section, Air

Planning Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960.

5. Hand Delivery or Courier: Ms. Lynorae Benjamin, Chief, Regulatory Development Section, Air Planning Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Regional Office's normal hours of operation. The Regional Office's official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kelly Sheckler of the Air Quality Modeling and Transportation Section at the Air Planning Branch, Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960. Ms. Sheckler's telephone number is 404-562-9222. She can also be reached via electronic mail at Sheckler.Kelly@ epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information see the direct final rule which is published in the Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: December 10, 2013.

Beverly H. Banister,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4. [FR Doc. 2013-30544 Filed 12-24-13; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560-50-P

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[EPA-R03-OAR-2013-0058; FRL-9904-48-Region 3]

Approval and Promulgation of Air **Quality Implementation Plans;** Pennsylvania; Update of the Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets for the Lancaster 1997 8-Hour Ozone **Maintenance Area**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve revisions to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's (Pennsylvania) State Implementation Plan (SIP). One revision consists of an update to the SIPapproved Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets (MVEBs) for nitrogen oxides

(NO_x) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) SIP for Lancaster County (also referred to as the "Lancaster Maintenance Area"). The other SIP revision updates the point source inventory for NO_X and VOCs. In the Final Rules section of this Federal Register, EPA is approving the State's SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency 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 action, 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.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing by January 27, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID Number EPA-R03-OAR-2013-0058 by one of the following methods:

A. www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting

B. Email: fernandez.cristina@epa.gov. C. Mail: EPA-R03-OAR-2013-0058. Cristina Fernandez, Associate Director, Office of Air Program Planning, Mailcode 3AP30, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103.

D. Hand Delivery: At the previouslylisted EPA Region III address. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-R03-OAR-2013-0058. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change, and may be made available online at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through www.regulations.gov or email. The www.regulations.gov Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your

identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to EPA without going through ww.regulations.gov, your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A srah Khadr (215) 814-2071 or by

Asrah Khadr, (215) 814–2071, or by email at *khadr.asrah@epa.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For further information, please see the information provided in the direct final action, with the same title, that is located in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this Federal Register publication.

Dated: December 9, 2013.

W.C. Early,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region III. [FR Doc. 2013–30712 Filed 12–24–13; 8:45 am]

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[Docket #: EPA-R10-OAR-2013-0713; FRL-9904-63-Region 10]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Washington: Kent, Seattle, and Tacoma Second 10-Year PM₁₀ Limited Maintenance Plan

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve a limited maintenance plan submitted by the State of Washington, dated November 25, 2013, for the Kent, Seattle, and Tacoma maintenance areas for particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter less than or equal to a nominal 10 micrometers (PM_{10}). A limited maintenance plan is used to meet Clean Air Act requirements for formerly designated nonattainment areas with little risk of violating the PM₁₀ National Ambient Air Quality Standard (PM₁₀ NAAQS) again. All three areas currently have monitored PM₁₀ levels that are roughly one-third of the PM₁₀ NAAQS, with steady declines in PM₁₀ levels since the areas were first identified as potentially violating the PM₁₀ NAAQS in 1987.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 27, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R10-OAR-2013-0713, by any of the following methods:

A. www.regulations.gov: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

B. *Mail*: Jeff Hunt, EPA Region 10, Office of Air, Waste and Toxics (AWT– 107), 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, Seattle WA, 98101.

C. Email: R10-Public_Comments@

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and Toxics, AWT—107. Such deliveries
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the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information the disclosure of which is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that vou consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through www.regulations.gov or email. The www.regulations.gov Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means the EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to the EPA without going through www.regulations.gov your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, the EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If the EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, the EPA may not be able to consider vour comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Hunt at (206) 553–0256, hunt.jeff@epa.gov, or by using the above EPA, Region 10 address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Throughout this document wherever "we", "us" or "our" are used, it is intended to refer to the EPA.

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