

contained in 33 CFR 161.13. These Special Area regulations were promulgated in recognition of the size and potential risks associated with tankers transiting Rosario and Guemes Channels en route to the refineries located at Anacortes and March Point. However, loaded and light tankers will also occasionally transit Bellingham Channel and the waters northeast of Guemes/Sinclair Island as an alternate route to the refineries or to reach the anchorage at Vendovi Island.

Currently, the VTS Special Area regulations do not apply to these secondary navigational channels which are arguably equally or more navigationally challenging than Guemes and Rosario Channels. These recommendations would further enhance safety by expanding the Rosario/Guemes Special Area regulations to adjacent waters that have equal or greater risk and are frequented by both loaded and light tankers.

**Recommendation:** That we implement all actions presented as Issues #10a and 10b.

#### Strait of Georgia

*Issues #11a and 11b:* Should we—

- a. Modify slightly the existing TSS and establish a set of traffic lanes to align and connect the two TSSs; and
- b. Establish precautionary areas east of East Point at the junction of the new Boundary Pass traffic lane and Strait of Georgia TSS, and west of Delta Port and the Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal?

**Discussion:** There has been an increase in traffic from Delta Port and the Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal which poses a risk of collision as departing vessels enter the TSS and build to sea speed. In addition, there is no routing measure connecting the TSS that terminates off Patos Island with the TSS that terminates off Saturna Island. Further, these two TSSs are not aligned. Traffic exiting the Strait of Georgia bound for Rosario Strait follows the TSS to its termination before angling back to the north to enter the TSS at Patos Island. This vessel routing crowds and creates a possible conflict with traffic southbound for Boundary Pass. Finally, there is no precautionary area in the vicinity of East Point, where traffic merges from several directions. By providing a contiguous TSS that connects the new Boundary Pass traffic lane with the existing or modified TSS in the Strait of Georgia, and establishing a contiguous TSS connecting the old Patos Island TSS and the Georgia Strait TSS, traffic bound for Rosario Strait could follow the TSS without impeding traffic southbound for Boundary Pass.

A new precautionary area southwest of Delta Port will accommodate vessels departing Delta Port and the Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal as they get up to maneuvering speed before and while entering the TSS.

A new precautionary area around East Point will provide logical connection to three converging traffic lanes. It will also highlight the need for potential crossing traffic in this area to exercise caution and will provide tankers departing Cherry Point bound for Haro Strait with a predictable and safe location to enter the traffic scheme.

**Recommendation:** That we implement all actions presented as Issues #11a and 11b.

#### Future Actions

We appreciate the comments we received concerning the PARS. Upon receiving your comments concerning this notice of preliminary study results, we will analyze them, and publish a notice of study results in the **Federal Register**. Any recommended changes to the Code of Federal Regulations will require a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) published in the **Federal Register**. In addition, any changes to the vessel routing system, i.e., TSS, ATBA, and precautionary areas, will require submission to and approval of the International Maritime Organization.

Dated: February 16, 2000.

**Joseph J. Angelo,**

*Acting Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[IN118-1b; FRL-6538-4]

### Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plan; Indiana

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is proposing to approve revisions to particulate matter (PM) emissions regulations for Indianapolis Power and Light Company (IPL) in Marion County, Indiana, which were submitted by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) on November 22, 1999, as amendments to its State Implementation Plan (SIP). The revisions apply to 3 IPL generating stations located in Indianapolis: Perry K, Perry W (demolished), and E. W.

Stout. The revisions include relaxation of some PM limits, tightening of other limits, and the elimination of limits for several boilers which are no longer operating. The revisions also include the combination of annual emissions limits for several boilers, and correction of a typographical error in one limit. This SIP revision results in an overall decrease in allowed PM emissions of 52.54 tons per year. An air quality modeling analysis conducted by the IDEM shows that the maximum daily and annual impacts of this SIP revision are well below established significance levels. Therefore, this SIP revision will not have an adverse effect on PM air quality.

**DATES:** EPA must receive written comments on this proposed rule by March 24, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** You should mail written comments to: J. Elmer Bortzer, Chief, Regulation Development Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

You may inspect copies of the State submittal and EPA's analysis of it at:

Regulation Development Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Pohlman, Environmental Scientist, Regulation Development Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 886-3299.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Throughout this document wherever "we," "us," or "our" are used we mean EPA.

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#### I. What action is EPA taking today?

We are proposing to approve PM emissions regulations for IPL in Marion County, Indiana, which were submitted by the IDEM on November 22, 1999, as amendments to its SIP. The revisions apply to 3 IPL generating stations located in Indianapolis: Perry K, Perry W (demolished), and E.W. Stout. The revisions include relaxation of some PM limits, tightening of other limits, and the elimination of limits for several boilers which are no longer operating. The revisions also include the combination of annual emissions limits for several

boilers, and correction of a typographical error in one limit.

## II. Where can I find more information about this proposal and the corresponding direct final rule?

For additional information see the direct final rule published in the rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: February 4, 2000.

**Francis X. Lyons,**

*Regional Administrator, Region 5.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 62

[TN-227-1-200001b; FRL-6539-7]

#### Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Tennessee; Approval of 111(d) Plan for Municipal Solid Waste Landfills in Knox County

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA proposes to approve the section 111(d) Plan for Knox County submitted by the State of Tennessee, through the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) on July 29, 1999, for implementing and enforcing the Emissions Guidelines applicable to existing Municipal Solid Waste Landfills. The Plan was submitted by the Tennessee DEC to satisfy certain Federal Clean Air Act requirements. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, the EPA is approving the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Plan 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. The 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 March 24, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments should be addressed to: Allison Humphris at the

EPA, Region 4 Air Planning Branch, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Copies of the state submittal(s) are available at the following addresses for inspection during normal business hours:

- Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Air Planning Branch, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960. Allison Humphris, 404/562-9030.
- Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Air Pollution Control, L & C Annex, 9th Floor, 401 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1531. 615/532-0554.
- Knox County Department of Air Quality Management, City/County Building, Room 339, 400 Main Street, Knoxville, Tennessee, 37902-2405. 423/215-2488.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Allison Humphris at 404/562-9030.

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

Dated: February 3, 2000.

**A. Stanley Meiburg,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 62

[TN-219-2-200008b; FRL-6539-5]

#### Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Tennessee; Approval of 111(d) Plan for Municipal Solid Waste Landfills in Chattanooga-Hamilton County

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA proposes to approve the section 111(d) Plan for Chattanooga-Hamilton County submitted by the State of Tennessee, through the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) on April 26, 1999, for implementing and enforcing the Emissions Guidelines applicable to existing Municipal Solid Waste Landfills. The Plan was submitted by the Tennessee DEC to satisfy certain Federal Clean Air Act requirements. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, the EPA is approving the

Chattanooga-Hamilton County Plan 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. The 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.

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- Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Air Pollution Control, L & C Annex, 9th Floor, 401 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1531. 615/532-0554.
- Chattanooga-Hamilton County Air Pollution Control Bureau, 3511 Rossville Boulevard, Chattanooga, Tennessee, 37407-2495, 423/867-4321.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Allison Humphris at 404/562-9030.

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

Dated: February 3, 2000.

**A. Stanley Meiburg,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.*

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