

Commission for filings under the laws it administers. Provide the second copy to the Division or Office responsible for administering the Act. Registered holding companies submitting this form under rule 55 shall simultaneously submit copies of this form to each federal, state or local regulator having jurisdiction over the rates of any public-utility company affiliated with the holding company.

3. Definitions and Other Matters

All terms used have the same meaning as in the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 and rules and regulations. All monetary amounts reported on this form must be stated in United States dollars.

4. Withdrawal of Filing

Amend this form within 45 days of a determination that the company identified as the foreign utility company is not a foreign utility company (i.e., due to a change in its business, a change in applicable law or otherwise).

Item 1

For each interest in a foreign utility company ("company") acquired, identify the company, its location and its business address. Describe the facilities used for the generation, transmission and distribution of electric energy for sale or for the distribution at retail of natural or manufactured gas. Identify each system company that holds an interest in the company and describe the interest held. To the extent known, identify each person that holds five percent or more of any class of voting securities of the foreign utility company and describe the amount and nature of the interest.

Item 2

State the purchase price paid for the foreign utility company. State the type and amount of capital invested in the company by the registered holding company, directly or indirectly. Identify any debt or other financial obligation for which there is recourse to a system company (other than an exempt wholesale generator or foreign utility company). Identify separately any direct or indirect guarantee of a security of the foreign utility company by the registered holding company.

Item 3—Associate Companies

Name each domestic associate public-utility company and, if applicable, its holding company.

Item 4—Books and Records

Identify the location of the books and records required by rule 53. By filing

this form, the registered holding company undertakes that it will provide the Commission or its representatives with access to these books and records in the United States, at such place as the Commission may reasonably request.

Exhibit A

If applicable, the state certification(s) required under section 33(a)(2) of the Act. Certification(s) previously filed with the Commission which are still in effect and which encompass the foreign utility company for which this notification is being filed may be incorporated by reference. If the certification(s) is not available at the time of filing the Form U-57, so state, and undertake to file such certification as an amendment when available.

Signature

The undersigned registered holding company has duly caused this statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

By _____

(Signature and printed name and title of signing officer)

Date _____

By the Commission.

Dated: February 1, 2001.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

Appendix A

Note: Appendix A to the preamble will not appear in the Code of Federal Regulations.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I, Arthur Levitt, Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), hereby certify pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 605(b), that proposed rules 55 and 56 and amendments to rule 87, Form U-57 and Form U5S under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended ("Holding Company Act"), would not, if adopted, have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Proposed rule 55 would define the circumstances under which a holding company registered under section 5 of the Holding Company Act can acquire an interest in a foreign utility company ("FUCO") without the need to apply for or receive Commission approval. Proposed rule 56 would clarify the status of intermediate subsidiaries of registered holding companies that engage exclusively in the business of owning or operating, or both owning and operating, FUCOs, or a combination of eligible wholesale facilities ("EWGs") and FUCOs. Under proposed rule 56, a registered holding company, unless otherwise restricted, could acquire the securities of, or an interest in, such a company without the need to apply for or receive Commission approval. The proposed amendment to rule 87 requires, with certain exceptions, a registered holding company to obtain a

Commission order before an EWG or FUCO could provide services to, or construction for, or sell goods to, an associate company. The proposed amendment to rule 87 also would require registered holding companies to furnish state and federal regulators copies of applications under rule 87 and certificates under rule 24 of the Holding Company Act. The proposed amendments to Form U-57 and Form U5S govern reporting requirements relating to transactions subject to the proposed rules and rule amendments.

The proposed rules and amendments apply only to holding companies registered under section 5 of the Holding Company Act. Presently, there are 30 registered holding companies, none of which qualifies as a "small business" or "small organization" for purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Accordingly, the proposed rules and amendments would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Dated: January 31, 2001.

Arthur Levitt,

Chairman.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[TX-105-1-7404; FRL-6935-2]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality State Implementation Plans; Texas; Approval of Clean Fuel Fleet Substitution Program Revision

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA is proposing to approve the State of Texas' Clean Fuel Fleet (CFF) substitute plan, incorporating them into the State Implementation Plan (SIP) under the Federal Clean Air Act (CAA). The State's CFF Substitute Plan is addressed in the SIP revision submitted on August 27 1998, and supplemented with additional technical information in a letter to the EPA dated November 17, 2000, by the State of Texas for the purpose of establishing a substitute CFF program.

In the Final Rules Section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving this SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because we view it as noncontroversial and anticipate no adverse comments. See the direct final rule for detailed rationale for the approval. If EPA receives no adverse comments in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA does receive adverse comments, we will

withdraw the direct final rule and respond to all public comments received in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. If you are interested in commenting on this action, you should do so at this time.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before March 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on this action should be addressed to Mr. Thomas H. Diggs, Chief, Air Planning Section (6PD-L), at the EPA Region 6 Office listed below. Copies of documents relevant to this action, including the Technical Support Document (TSD) are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following locations.

Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, Air Planning Section (6PD-L), 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733.

Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, Office of Air Quality, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753.

Anyone wanting to examine these documents should make an appointment with the appropriate office at least two working days in advance.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Pratt, Air Planning Section (6PD-L), 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733. Telephone Number (214) 665-2140, E-Mail Address: pratt.steven@epa.gov.

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

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Carbon monoxide, Hydrocarbons, Intergovernmental relations, Nitrogen oxides, Ozone, Implementation Plans, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

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

Dated: January 4, 2001.

Gregg A. Cooke,

Regional Administrator, Region 6.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[IL198-1b; FRL-6935-5]

Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan; Illinois

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The USEPA is proposing to approve a negative declaration submitted by the State of Illinois which indicates there is no need for regulations covering the industrial cleaning solvents category in the Chicago ozone nonattainment area. The Chicago ozone nonattainment area includes Cook County, DuPage County, Aux Sable and Goose Lake Townships in Grundy County, Kane County, Oswego Township in Kendall County, Lake County, McHenry County and Will County. The State's negative declaration regarding industrial cleaning solvents category sources was submitted to USEPA in a letter dated December 23, 1999.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before March 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be mailed to: J. Elmer Bortzer, Chief, Regulation Development Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

Copies of the State submittal are available for inspection at: Regulation Development Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randolph O. Cano, Environmental Protection Specialist, Regulation Development Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 886-6036.

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I. What Action Is USEPA Taking Today?

USEPA is proposing to approve a negative declaration submitted by the State of Indiana on December 23, 1999. This negative declaration concerns a

source category located in the Chicago ozone nonattainment area which is classified as a severe nonattainment area for the pollutant ozone. The negative declaration indicates that the State has searched its emissions source inventory for the Chicago ozone nonattainment area and determined that there are no unregulated sources with a potential to emit 25 tons per year or more of volatile organic compounds (VOC) in the industrial cleaning solvents category.

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 final rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: January 8, 2001.

David A. Ullrich,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 5.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[MI-52-01-7260, FRL-6939-6]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Michigan; Emission Trading Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve Michigan's State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision for ozone, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, particulate matter and lead. EPA is proposing to approve the revision under section 110 of the Clean Air Act (Act). This SIP revision, submitted July 21, 1999 relates to Michigan's Emission Averaging and Emission Reduction Credit Trading Rules, which provide sources with flexibility in meeting regulatory requirements for reducing emissions of ozone precursors and criteria air pollutants other than ozone. This proposed approval would allow sources in Michigan to use emission averaging and trading for compliance with SIP requirements. EPA will not publish final approval until receiving some revisions to the SIP that Michigan will provide.

DATES: Comments on this proposed action must be received by March 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: You should address written comments to: Carlton T. Nash, Chief,