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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Background**

On March 22, 2004, EPA issued a final rule amending the MSWLF criteria in 40 CFR 258 to allow for RD&D permits (69 FR 13242). This rule allows for variances from specified criteria for a limited period of time, to be implemented through state-issued RD&D permits. RD&D permits are available only in states with approved MSWLF permit programs that have been modified to incorporate RD&D permit authority. On May 10, 2016, the EPA issued a revision to the regulations allowing RD&D permits to increase the number of permit renewals allowed to six, for a total permit term of up to 21 years (40 CFR 258.4).

While states are not required to incorporate this new provision, those states interested in providing RD&D permits must seek approval from EPA before issuing such permits. On January 25, 2006 Illinois received a final notice of adequacy of its RD&D permit program (71 FR 4142). On March 21, 2017, IEPA submitted a notification to EPA Region 5 seeking Federal approval of its revised RD&D requirements per the procedures in 40 CFR 239.12. Illinois' revised RD&D provisions can be found in Part 813 of the Illinois Pollution Control Board's (IPCB), Title 35: Environmental Protection Regulations, in the January 19, 2017 opinion and order of the IPCB.

**B. Decision**

EPA has made a determination that the Illinois RD&D permit provisions as set out in Part 813 of the IPCB's, Title 35: Environmental Protection Regulations, in the January 19, 2017 opinion and order of the Illinois

Pollution Control Board comply with the Federal criteria, as set forth in 40 CFR 258.4.

**Authority:** This action is issued under the authority of section 2002, 4005 and 4010 (c) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 6912, 6945 and 6949(a).

Dated: May 26, 2017.

**Robert A. Kaplan,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 5.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[EPA-R05-RCRA-2017-0199; FRL-9963-64—Region 5]**

**Minnesota: Notice of Determination of Adequacy of Minnesota's Research, Development and Demonstration (RD&D) Permit Provisions for Municipal Solid Waste Landfills (MSWLF)**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On May 10, 2016, EPA issued a revision to the regulations allowing RD&D permits to increase the number of permit renewals allowed to six, for a total permit term of up to 21 years (40 CFR 258.4).

On March 24, 2017, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) submitted a notification to EPA Region 5 seeking federal approval of its current RD&D permitting program (Minnesota Rules (Minn. R.) 7035.0450), which incorporates by reference the changes to 40 CFR 258.4. Subject to public review and comment, this notice approves Minnesota's RD&D permit requirements.

**DATES:** This determination of adequacy of Minnesota's RD&D permitting program will become effective August 18, 2017 unless adverse comments are received. If adverse comments are received, EPA will review those comments and publish another **Federal Register** document responding to those comments and either affirm or revise EPA's initial decision. Comments on this action must be received on or before July 19, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R05-RCRA-2017-0199, to the *Federal eRulemaking Portal*: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or withdrawn. The EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit

electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should include discussion of all points you wish to make. The EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (*i.e.* on the Web, cloud, or other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit <http://www2.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets>.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Background**

On March 22, 2004, EPA issued a final rule amending the MSWLF criteria in 40 CFR 258 to allow for RD&D permits (69 FR 13242). This rule allows for variances from specified criteria for a limited period of time, to be implemented through state-issued RD&D permits. RD&D permits are available only in states with approved MSWLF permit programs that have been modified to incorporate RD&D permit authority. On May 10, 2016, the EPA issued a revision to the regulations allowing RD&D permits to increase the number of permit renewals allowed to six, for a total permit term of up to 21 years (40 CFR 258.4).

While states are not required to incorporate this new provision, those states interested in providing RD&D permits must seek approval from EPA before issuing such permits. On February 15, 2005, Minnesota received approval of its RD&D permit program (Minn. R. 7035.0450). On March 24, 2017, MPCA submitted a notification to EPA Region 5 seeking Federal approval of its RD&D requirements per the procedures in 40 CFR 239.12. Minnesota's rules authorizing RD&D permits (Minn. R. 7035.0450) do not establish a specific term in years and instead incorporate by reference 40 CFR 258.4. Therefore, Minn. R. 7035.0450 automatically updates with the additional permit renewal revision in 40 CFR 258.4.

## B. Decision

EPA has made a determination that the Minnesota RD&D permit provisions as set out in Minn. R.7035.0450 comply with the Federal criteria, as set forth in 40 CFR 258.4.

**Authority:** This action is issued under the authority of section 2002, 4005 and 4010(c) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 6912, 6945 and 6949(a).

Dated: May 24, 2017.

**Robert A. Kaplan,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 5.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-R05-RCRA-2017-0198; FRL-9963-62—Region 5]

### Michigan: Notice of Determination of Adequacy of Michigan's Research, Development and Demonstration (RD&D) Permit Provisions for Municipal Solid Waste Landfills (MSWLF)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On May 10, 2016, EPA issued a revision to the regulations allowing RD&D permits to increase the number of permit renewals allowed to six, for a total permit term of up to 21 years.

On February 15, 2017, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) submitted a notification to EPA Region 5 seeking Federal approval of its revised RD&D requirements. Subject to public review and comment, this document approves Michigan's revised RD&D permit requirements.

**DATES:** This determination of adequacy of the RD&D permit program for Michigan will become effective August 18, 2017 unless adverse comments are received. If adverse comments are received, EPA will review those comments and publish another **Federal Register** document responding to those comments and either affirm or revise EPA's initial decision. Comments on this determination of adequacy must be received on or before July 19, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R05-RCRA-2017-0198, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or withdrawn. The EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit

electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should discuss all points you wish to make. The EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (*i.e.* on the web, cloud, or other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit <http://www2.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets>.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### A. Background

On March 22, 2004, EPA issued a final rule amending the MSWLF criteria in 40 CFR part 258 to allow for RD&D permits (69 FR 13242). This rule allows for variances from specified criteria for a limited period of time, to be implemented through state-issued RD&D permits. RD&D permits are available only in states with approved MSWLF permit programs that have been modified to incorporate RD&D permit authority. On May 10, 2016, the EPA issued a revision to the regulations allowing RD&D permits to increase the number of permit renewals allowed to six, for a total permit term of up to 21 years (40 CFR 258.4).

While states are not required to incorporate this new provision, those states interested in providing RD&D permits must seek approval from EPA before issuing such permits. On October 30, 2006, Michigan received approval of its RD&D permit program (71 FR 51614). On February 15, 2017, MDEQ submitted a notification to EPA Region 5 seeking Federal approval of its revised RD&D requirements per the procedures in 40 CFR 239.12. Michigan's revised RD&D provisions can be found in Part 115 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act as amended by 2016 PA 437.

### B. Decision

EPA has made a determination that the Michigan RD&D permit provisions as set out in Part 115 of the Natural

Resources and Environmental Protection Act as amended by 2016 PA 437 comply with the Federal criteria, as set forth in 40 CFR 258.4.

**Authority:** This action is issued under the authority of section 2002, 4005 and 4010(c) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 6912, 6945 and 6949(a).

Dated: May 29, 2017.

**Robert A. Kaplan,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 5.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL 9963-11-ORD]

### Office of Research and Development; Ambient Air Monitoring Reference and Equivalent Methods: Designation of One New Reference Method and One New Equivalent Method

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

**ACTION:** Notice of the designation of one new reference method and one new equivalent method for monitoring ambient air quality.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated one new reference method for measuring concentrations of carbon monoxide (CO), and one new equivalent method for measuring concentrations of nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) in ambient air.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with regulations at 40 CFR part 53, the EPA evaluates various methods for monitoring the concentrations of those ambient air pollutants for which EPA has established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQSs) as set forth in 40 CFR part 50. Monitoring methods that are determined to meet specific requirements for adequacy are designated by the EPA as either reference or equivalent methods (as applicable), thereby permitting their use under 40 CFR part 58 by States and other agencies for determining compliance with the NAAQSs. A list of all reference or equivalent methods that have been previously designated by EPA may be found at <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/amt/criteria.html>.