

Rule Synopsis

Proposed OAC Rule 3745-17-11.

Restrictions on particulate emissions from industrial processes

The Ohio EPA Division of Air Pollution Control (DAPC) has completed drafting an amendment to this rule requiring restrictions on particulate emissions from industrial processes.

This rule was finalized and became effective on February 1, 2008. This rule was conditionally approved by U.S. EPA into the Ohio state implementation plan (SIP) on December 27, 2010. In order to obtain full approval, Ohio EPA agreed to incorporate an additional change which was documented in U.S. EPA's final Federal Register dated October 26, 2010. This change addresses concerns raised by U.S. EPA regarding paragraph (A)(1)(I) of Ohio's final rule.

Specifically, the following text is added to paragraph (A)(1)(I) of this rule; "... any such exemption approved by the Director must be approved by the U.S. environmental protection agency as a revision of the state implementation plan." This wording is similar to what Ohio EPA has used before in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-21-09(B)(2) for Director's discretion items in the volatile organic compound (VOC) rules and is agreeable to U.S. EPA. With this proposed amendment U.S. EPA will grant full approval, regarding this rule, to Ohio's revised SIP. Federal Register Volume 75, No. 206, FR 65569-70 provides the full explanation of the needed change.

A draft of this amended rule was made available for a 30 day comment period ending August 26, 2011. No comments were received and no changes were made to the draft rule language.