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(C) Letter from Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection dated August 1, 2002.

(D) The SIP narrative "Connecticut State Implementation Plan Revision to Revise the State's NO_x Emissions Budget," dated July 22, 2002.

Subpart W—Massachusetts

■ 3. Section 52.1120 is amended by adding paragraph (c)(124)(ii)(E) and (F) to read as follows:

§ 52.1120 Identification of plan.

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(124) * * *

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(E) Letter from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, Department of Environmental Protection dated April 10, 2002.

(F) The SIP narrative "Technical Support Document for Public Hearings on Revisions to the State Implementation Plan for Ozone for

Massachusetts, Amendments to Statewide Projected Inventory for Nitrogen Oxides," dated March 2002.

Subpart OO—Rhode Island

■ 4. Section 52.2070 is amended by adding new entries to the end of the table in paragraph (e) to read as follows:

§ 52.2070 Identification of plan.

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RHODE ISLAND NON REGULATORY

Name of non regulatory SIP provision	Applicable geographic or non-attainment area	State submittal date/effective date	EPA approved date	Explanation
September 20, 2001 letter from Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management.	Statewide	Submitted September 20, 2001.	June 20, 2003 [Insert FR citation from published date]	Submitting the "NO _x State Implementation Plan (SIP) Call Narrative," revised September 2001.
NO _x State Implementation Plan (SIP) Call Narrative, revised September 2001.	Statewide	Submitted September 20, 2001.	June 20, 2003 [Insert FR citation from published date]	

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 271

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Virginia: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: Virginia applied to EPA for final authorization of revisions to its hazardous waste program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). EPA has made a determination that all these revisions to the Virginia hazardous waste program, with the exception of the Hazardous Waste Lamps Rule, 64 FR 36466, (July 6, 1999), satisfy all requirements necessary for final authorization. Thus, with the exception of the Hazardous Waste Lamps Rule, EPA is authorizing the State's revisions to its hazardous waste program, subject to the limitations on its authority retained by EPA in accordance with RCRA, including the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Final authorization for the revisions to Virginia's hazardous waste management program, with the exception of the Hazardous Waste Lamps Rule, shall be effective on June 20, 2003.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Why Are Revisions to State Programs Necessary?

States which have received final authorization from EPA under RCRA section 3006(b), 42 U.S.C. 6926(b), must maintain a hazardous waste program that is equivalent to, consistent with, and no less stringent than the Federal program. As the Federal program changes, States must revise their programs accordingly and apply to EPA to authorize the revisions. Revisions to State programs may be necessary when Federal or State statutory or regulatory authority is changed. For example, most commonly, States must revise their programs when EPA promulgates changes to its regulations in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) parts 124, 260 through 266, 268, 270, 273 and 279.

Virginia received final authorization on December 4, 1984, effective December 18, 1984 (49 FR 47391), to

implement a hazardous waste management program in lieu of the Federal Program. EPA subsequently granted authorization for revisions to Virginia's program on June 14, 1993, effective August 13, 1993 (58 FR 32855); and July 31, 2000, effective September 29, 2000 (65 FR 46607).

On September 24, 2002, Virginia submitted to EPA a complete program revision application, in accordance with 40 CFR 271.21, seeking authorization of additional changes to its program. On March 13, 2003, EPA published an immediate final rule (68 FR 11981-11986) granting Virginia final authorization for these revisions to its federally-authorized hazardous waste program, along with a companion proposed rule announcing EPA's proposal to grant such final authorization (68 FR 12015). EPA announced in both notices that the immediate final rule and the proposed rule were subject to a thirty-day public comment period. The public comment period ended on April 14, 2003. Further, EPA stated in both notices that if it received adverse comments on its intent to authorize Virginia's program revisions that it would (1) withdraw the immediate final rule; (2) proceed with the proposed rule as the basis for the receipt and evaluation of such comments, and (3) subsequently publish a final determination responding to such comments and announce its final