

G. Executive Order 13045, Protection of Children From Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks

Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997), applies to any rule that: (1) Is determined to be “economically significant” as defined under Executive Order 12866, and (2) concerns an environmental health or safety risk that EPA has reason to believe may have a disproportionate effect on children. If the regulatory action meets both criteria, the Agency must evaluate the environmental health or safety effects of the planned rule on children, and explain why the planned regulation is preferable to other potentially effective and reasonably feasible alternatives considered by the Agency.

This proposed rule is not subject to Executive Order 13045 because it does not involve decisions intended to mitigate environmental health or safety risks.

H. Executive Order 13211, Actions That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use

This rule is not subject to Executive Order 13211, “Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use” (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001) because it is not a significant regulatory action under Executive Order 12866.

I. National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act

Section 12 of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTAA) of 1995 requires Federal agencies to evaluate existing technical standards when developing a new regulation. To comply with NTTAA, EPA must consider and use “voluntary consensus standards” (VCS) if available and applicable when developing programs and policies unless doing so would be inconsistent with applicable law or otherwise impractical.

The EPA believes that VCS are inapplicable to this action. Today’s action does not require the public to perform activities conducive to the use of VCS.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Intergovernmental relations, Nitrogen dioxide, Particulate matter, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

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

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Wayne Nastri,

Regional Administrator, Region IX.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

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Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Arizona—Maricopa County Ozone, PM–10 and CO Nonattainment Areas; Approval of Revisions to Maricopa County Area Cleaner Burning Gasoline Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: We propose to approve revisions to the Arizona Cleaner Burning Gasoline (CBG) program currently approved in the State implementation plan (SIP). Specifically, we propose to approve revisions that, among other changes, replace Arizona’s interim CBG program with a permanent program, amend the wintertime CBG program to limit the types of gasoline that may be supplied, and remove the minimum oxygen content requirement for summertime gasoline.

DATES: Written comments on this proposal must be submitted to EPA at the address below by October 29, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this proposal should be mailed or e-mailed to: Wienke Tax, Office of Air Planning (AIR–2), EPA Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105–3901. Telephone (520) 622–1622, or tax.wienke@epa.gov. Comments may also be submitted via <http://www.regulations.gov>. We prefer to receive comments electronically if possible.

A copy of this document, the EPA technical support document (TSD),¹ and other material relevant to this proposed action are available for public inspection at EPA’s Region 9 office during normal business hours. Due to increased security, please call 24 hours ahead of your visit so that we can arrange to have someone meet you.

Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Air Division, Air Planning Office (AIR–2), 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105–3901.

¹ See “Technical Support Document, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Arizona State Implementation Plan, Arizona Cleaner Burning Gasoline SIP Revisions”, August 2003.

A copy of the docket is also available for inspection at the address listed below:

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Library, 1110 West Washington Street, First Floor, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, (602) 771–4335.

Electronic Availability

This document and the TSD are also available as electronic files on EPA’s Region 9 Web Page at <http://www.epa.gov/region09/air>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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I. Summary of Today’s Proposal

We propose to approve revisions to the Arizona CBG program that the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) and the State legislature have adopted since EPA approval of the interim CBG program in 1998. ADEQ has submitted these changes to EPA for approval into the SIP in four separate SIP submittals: SIP Revision, Arizona Cleaner Burning Gasoline Permanent Rules—Maricopa County Ozone Nonattainment Area, February 1999 (“CBG Permanent Rules”), State Implementation Plan Revision for the Cleaner Burning Gasoline Program in the Maricopa County Ozone Nonattainment Area, March 2001 (“Summertime Minimum Oxygen Content Removal”), Arizona Cleaner Burning Gasoline Rule to Revise the State Implementation Plan for the Maricopa County Carbon Monoxide, Ozone, and PM10 Nonattainment Areas, August 2001 (“CBG Wintertime Rules”),