Anticipated Regulatory Changes to N.J.A.C. 7:27 "Air Pollution Control"

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Anticipated Regulatory Changes

- Two major rule changes that are being developed
 - Modifications to list of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAP) including their Reporting Thresholds
 - Modifications to incorporate USEPA Control Techniques Guidelines (CTG)
- Department has been generating background data on both modifications

Anticipated Regulatory Changes - HAP

- Create one master list of HAP reporting thresholds
 - Two different lists currently
 - One in N.J.A.C. 7:27-8 for minor facilities and one in N.J.A.C. 7:27-22 for major facilities
 - Lists do have different reporting thresholds for some HAP
 - One list for all facilities in N.J.A.C. 7:27-17 "Control and Prohibition of Air Pollution by Toxic Substances"

Anticipated Regulatory Changes - HAP

- Update current reporting thresholds
 - Originally developed in early 1990s
 - Are not based on the most current scientific data
 - Since HAP emissions below reporting thresholds do not have to be listed in permit applications, accurate risk evaluations cannot be conducted
 - May result in significant health risks to surrounding community and sensitive receptors

Anticipated Regulatory Changes - HAP

- Add new HAP to list, as per NJ statute
 - One being considered is diesel particulate emissions
 - None added to initial list
 - To be based on:
 - Degree of use in NJ
 - Regulation by other agencies
 - Recent toxicity data
 - Input from Science Advisory Board

Anticipated Regulatory Changes - CTG

- Under the Clean Air Act (CAA), states with nonattainment areas must revise their State Implementation Plans (SIP) to include reasonably available control technology (RACT)
- In addition to RACT, the CAA specifically requires states with moderate and above ozone nonattainment areas implement ozone related CTG, which address VOC emissions.
 - Minimum VOC control efficiencies
 - Maximum VOC content levels
 - Thresholds to exempt lower emitting facilities
- The USEPA issues CTGs to provide states with guidance regarding controls that constitute RACT

Anticipated Regulatory Changes - CTG

- Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Materials
 CTG
- Paper, Film, and Foil Coatings CTG
- Miscellaneous Metal and Plastic Part Coatings CTG
- Industrial Cleaning Solvent CTG

Anticipated Regulatory Changes - CTG

- Evaluating how many facilities will be subject
- Evaluating how many already comply
- Determining if N.J.A.C. 7:27-16 is equivalent to or more stringent than CTG
 - If so, no changes are necessary
 - "Negative declaration" will be filed with the USEPA
- Determining the best way to incorporate CTG into N.J.A.C. 7:27-16
 - Modify existing sections
 - Add entirely new sections