**DIVISION 224**

**MAJOR NEW SOURCE REVIEW**

**340-224-0010**

**Applicability and General Prohibitions**

(1) Within designated Nonattainment and Maintenance areas, this division applies to owners and operators of proposed major sources and major modifications of air contaminant sources.

(2) Within attainment and unclassifiable areas, this division applies to owners and operators of proposed Federal Major Sources and major modifications at Federal Major Sources.

(3) This division does not apply to owners or operators of proposed non-major sources in nonattainment or maintenance areas,, non-Federal Major Sources in attainment or unclassified areas, or non-major modifications in any area of the state. Such owners or operators are subject to other Department rules, including Highest and Best Practicable Treatment and Control Required (OAR 340-226-0100 through 340-226-0140), Notice of Construction and Approval of Plans (340-210-0205 through 340-210-0250), ACDPs (OAR 340 division 216), Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Contaminants (OAR 340 division 244), and Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources (OAR 340 division 238).

(4) No owner or operator may begin construction of a major source or a major modification of an air contaminant source without having received an air contaminant discharge permit (ACDP) from the Department and having satisfied the requirements of this division.

(5) Beginning March 1, 2011, the pollutant GHGs is subject to regulation if:

(a) The stationary source is a new major stationary source for a regulated NSR pollutant that is not GHGs, and also will emit or will have the potential to emit 75,000 tpy GHG or more; or

(b) The stationary source is an existing major stationary source for a regulated NSR pollutant that is not GHGs, and also will have an emissions increase of a regulated NSR pollutant, and an emissions increase of 75,000 tpy GHG or more; and,

(6) Beginning July 1, 2011, in addition to the provisions in subsection (a), the pollutant GHGs shall also be subject to regulation at:

(a) A new stationary source that will emit or have the potential to emit 100,000 tpy GHG; or

(b) An existing stationary source that emits or has the potential to emit 100,000 tpy GHG, when such stationary source undertakes a physical change or change in the method of operation that will result in an emissions increase of 75,000 tpy CO2e or more.

[**NOTE:** This rule is included in the State of Oregon Clean Air Act Implementation Plan as adopted by the EQC under OAR 340-200-0040.]

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**340-224-0050**

**Requirements for Sources in Nonattainment Areas**

Proposed major sources and major modifications that would emit a nonattainment pollutant within a designated nonattainment area, including VOC or NOx in a designated Ozone Nonattainment Area and SO2 or NOx in a designated PM2.5 Nonattainment Area must meet the requirements listed below:

(1) Lowest Achievable Emission Rate (LAER). The owner or operator must demonstrate that the source or modification will comply with LAER for each nonattainment pollutant or precursor(s) emitted at or above the significant emission rate (SER).

(a) For a major modification, the requirement for LAER applies only to:

(A) Each emissions unit that emits the pollutant in question and was installed since the baseline period or the most recent New Source Review construction approval for that pollutant; and

(B) Each modified emission unit that increases actual emissions of the pollutant in question above the netting basis.

(b) For phased construction projects, the LAER determination must be reviewed at the latest reasonable time before commencing construction of each independent phase.

(c) When determining LAER for a change that was made at a source before the current NSR application, the Department will consider technical feasibility of retrofitting required controls provided:

(A) The change was made in compliance with NSR requirements in effect when the change was made, and

(B) No limit will be relaxed that was previously relied on to avoid NSR.

(d) Individual modifications with potential to emit less than 10 percent of the SER are exempt from this section unless:

(A) They are not constructed yet;

(B) They are part of a discrete, identifiable, larger project that was constructed within the previous 5 years and is equal to or greater than 10 percent of the SER; or

(C) they were constructed without, or in violation of, the Department's approval.

(2) Offsets and Net Air Quality Benefit. The owner or operator must obtain offsets and demonstrate that a net air quality benefit will be achieved as specified in OAR 340-225-0090.

(3) Additional Requirements:

(a) The owner or operator of a source that emits or has the potential to emit 100 tons per year or more of any regulated NSR pollutant, except for GHG for which the threshold is 100,000 short tons per year, must evaluate alternative sites, sizes, production processes, and environmental control techniques for the proposed source or modification and demonstrate that benefits of the proposed source or modification will significantly outweigh the environmental and social costs imposed as a result of its location, construction or modification.

(b) The owner or operator of a source that emits or has the potential to emit 100 tons per year of any regulated NSR pollutant, except for GHG for which the threshold is 100,000 short tons per year, must demonstrate that all major sources owned or operated by such person (or by an entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with such person) in the state are in compliance, or are on a schedule for compliance, with all applicable emission limitations and standards under the Act.

(c) The owner or operator of a federal major source must meet the visibility impact requirements in OAR 340-225-0070.

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**340-224-0060**

**Requirements for Sources in Maintenance Areas**

Proposed major sources and major modifications that would emit a maintenance pollutant within a designated maintenance area, including VOC or NOx in a designated ozone maintenance area, must meet the requirements listed below:

(1) Best Available Control Technology (BACT). Except as provided in section (5) and (6) of this rule, the owner or operator must apply BACT for each maintenance pollutant or precursor(s) emitted at a SER.

(a) For a major modification, the requirement for BACT applies only to:

(A) Each new emissions unit that emits the pollutant in question and was installed since the baseline period or the most recent New Source Review construction approval for that pollutant; and

(B) Each modified emissions unit that increases the actual emissions of the pollutant in question above the netting basis.

(b) For phased construction projects, the BACT determination must be reviewed at the latest reasonable time before commencement of construction of each independent phase.

(c) When determining BACT for a change that was made at a source before the current NSR application, the technical and economic feasibility of retrofitting required controls may be considered, provided:

(A) The change was made in compliance with NSR requirements in effect when the change was made; and

(B) No limit is being relaxed that was previously relied on to avoid NSR.

(d) Individual modifications with potential to emit less than 10 percent of the significant emission rate are exempt from this section unless:

(A) They are not constructed yet;

(B) They are part of a discrete, identifiable larger project that was constructed within the previous 5 years and that is equal to or greater than 10 percent of the significant emission rate; or

(C) They were constructed without, or in violation of, the Department's approval.

(2) Air Quality Protection:

(a) Offsets and Net Air Quality Benefit. Except as provided in subsections (b), (c), (d) and (e) of this section, the owner or operator must obtain offsets and demonstrate that a net air quality benefit will be achieved in the area as specified in OAR 340-225-0090.

(b) Growth Allowance. The requirements of this section may be met in whole or in part in an ozone or carbon monoxide maintenance area with an allocation by the Department from a growth allowance, if available, in accordance with the applicable maintenance plan in the SIP adopted by the Commission and approved by EPA. An allocation from a growth allowance used to meet the requirements of this section is not subject to OAR 340-225-0090. Procedures for allocating the growth allowances for the Oregon portion of the Portland-Vancouver Interstate Maintenance Area for Ozone and the Portland Maintenance Area for Carbon Monoxide are contained in 340-242-0430 and 340-242-0440.

(c) In a carbon monoxide maintenance area, a proposed carbon monoxide major source or major modification is exempt from subsections (a) and (b) of this section if the owner or operator can demonstrate that the source or modification will not cause or contribute to an air quality impact equal to or greater than 0.5 mg/m3 (8 hour average) and 2 mg/m3 (1-hour average). The demonstration must comply with the requirements of OAR 340-225-0045.

(d) In a PM10 maintenance area, a proposed PM10 major source or major modification is exempt from subsection (a) of this section if the owner or operator can demonstrate, pursuant to the requirements of OAR 340-225-0045, that the source or modification will not cause or contribute to an air quality impact in excess of:

(A) 120 ug/m3 (24-hour average) or 40 ug/m3 (annual average) in the Grants Pass PM10 maintenance area;

(B) 140 ug/m3 (24-hour average) or 47 ug/m3 (annual average) in the Klamath Falls PM10 maintenance area; or

(C) 140 ug/m3 (24-hour average) or 45 ug/m3 (annual average) in the Lakeview PM10 maintenance area. In addition, a single source impact is limited to an increase of 5 ug/m3 (24-hour average) in the Lakeview PM10 maintenance area.

(e) Proposed major sources and major modifications located in or that impact the Salem Ozone Maintenance Area are exempt from OAR 340-225-0090 and section (2)(a) of this rule for VOC and NOx emissions with respect to ozone formation in the Salem Ozone Maintenance Area.

(3) The owner or operator of a source subject to this rule must provide an air quality analysis in accordance with OAR 340-225-0050(1) and (2), and 340-225-0060.

(4) Additional Requirements for Federal Major Sources: The owner or operator of a federal major source subject to this rule must provide an analysis of the air quality impacts for the proposed source or modification in accordance with OAR 340-225-0050(3) and 340-225-0070. In addition to the provisions of this section, provisions of section 340-224-0070 also apply to federal major sources.

(5) Contingency Plan Requirements. If the contingency plan in an applicable maintenance plan is implemented due to a violation of an ambient air quality standard, this section applies in addition to other requirements of this rule until the Commission adopts a revised maintenance plan and EPA approves it as a SIP revision.

(a) The requirement for BACT in section (1) of this rule is replaced by the requirement for LAER contained in OAR 340-224-0050(1).

(b) An allocation from a growth allowance may not be used to meet the requirement for offsets in section (2) of this rule.

(c) The exemption provided in subsection (2)(c) and (2)(d) of this rule for major sources or major modifications within a carbon monoxide or PM10 maintenance area no longer applies.

(6) Medford-Ashland AQMA: Proposed major sources and major modifications that would emit PM10 within the Medford-Ashland AQMA must meet the LAER emission control technology requirements in OAR 340-224-0050.

(7) Pending Redesignation Requests. This rule does not apply to a proposed major source or major modification for which a complete application to construct was submitted to the Department before the maintenance area was redesignated from nonattainment to attainment by EPA. Such a source is subject to OAR 340-224-0050.

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**340-224-0070**

**Prevention of Significant Deterioration Requirements for Sources in Attainment or Unclassified Areas**

Proposed new federal major sources or major modifications at federal major sources locating in areas designated attainment or unclassifiable must meet the following requirements:

(1) Best Available Control Technology (BACT). The owner or operator of the proposed major source or major modification must apply BACT for each pollutant emitted at a SER over the netting basis. In the Medford-Ashland AQMA, the owner or operator of any proposed new Federal Major PM10 source, or proposed major modification of a Federal Major PM10 source must comply with the LAER emission control technology requirement in 340-224-0050(1), and is exempt from the BACT provision of this section.

(a) For a major modification, the requirement for BACT applies only to:

(A) Each new emissions unit that emits the pollutant in question and was installed since the baseline period or the most recent New Source Review construction approval for that pollutant and

(B) Each modified emissions unit that increases the actual emissions of the pollutant in question above the portion of the netting basis attributable to that emissions unit.

(b) For phased construction projects, the BACT determination must be reviewed at the latest reasonable time before commencement of construction of each independent phase.

(c) When determining BACT for a change that was made at a source before the current NSR application, any additional cost of retrofitting required controls may be considered provided:

(A) The change was made in compliance with NSR requirements in effect at the time the change was made, and

(B) No limit is being relaxed that was previously relied on to avoid NSR.

(d) Individual modifications with potential to emit less than 10 percent of the significant emission rate are exempt from this section unless:

(A) They are not constructed yet;

(B) They are part of a discrete, identifiable larger project that was constructed within the previous 5 years and that is equal to or greater than 10 percent of the significant emission rate; or

(C) They were constructed without, or in violation of, the Department's approval.

(2) Air Quality Analysis: The owner or operator of a source subject to this rule must provide an analysis of the air quality impacts of each pollutant with emission increase equal to or greater than a significant emission rate above the netting basis due to the proposed source or modification in accordance with OAR 340-225-0050 through 340-225-0070.

(a) For increases of PM2.5 precursors above the precursor significant emission rate, the owner or operator must provide an analysis of PM2.5 air quality impacts.

(b)The owner or operator of any source subject to this rule that significantly impacts air quality in a designated nonattainment or maintenance area must meet the requirements of net air quality benefit in 340-225-0090.

(3) Air Quality Monitoring: The owner or operator of a source subject to this rule must conduct ambient air quality monitoring in accordance with the requirements in OAR 340-225-0050.

(4) The owner or operator of a source subject to this rule and significantly impacting a PM10 maintenance area (significant air quality impact is defined in OAR 340-200-0020), must comply with the requirements of 340-224-0060(2).

(5) The owner or operator of a source subject to this rule and significantly impacting a PM2.5 nonattainment area (significant air quality impact is defined in OAR 340-200-0020), must comply with the requirements of 340-224-0050(2).[**NOTE:** This rule is included in the State of Oregon Clean Air Act Implementation Plan as adopted by the EQC under OAR 340-200-0040]

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