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RE: Permanent rule updates to Ambient Air Quality Standards for NO2, SO2 and Pb, and adoption of 1-hour Significant Impact Levels for NO2 and SO2

Dear ACDP OR Title V permit holder,

This letter is to inform you about proposed rule amendments that may affect your activities. DEQ is developing a rulemaking proposal to update Oregon Administrative Rules as required by the Clean Air Act.

The proposed rule changes are necessary to align state rules with Section 110 requirements of the Clean Air Act by revising the rule language for the lead ambient air quality standards for consistency with the federal National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), adopting the 1-hour ambient air quality standards for nitrogen dioxide and sulfur dioxide, and adopting 1-hour Significant Impact Levels for nitrogen dioxide and sulfur dioxide. If approved, these amendments will be submitted to the EPA for approval as revisions to the Oregon State Clean Air Act Implementation Plan.

**What this means to you**

If the above proposed rule amendments are approved by the Environmental Quality Commission (EQC), DEQ will be require a demonstration that significant increases of NO2 and SO2 emissions do not cause or contribute to a violation of the 1-hour standards when an air quality impact analysis is required by either the Plant Site Emission Limit or Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) programs. If an analysis is required, the analysis must be conducted in accordance with a modeling protocol approved by DEQ and the results must be included in the application for a new or modified permit.

DEQ will propose the permanent rule amendments to the Environmental Quality Commission for adoption in October 2013. There will be an opportunity to comment during the public participation period of the permanent rulemaking. The rulemaking proposal can be viewed on DEQ’s rulemaking webpage at: <http://www.deq.state.or.us/regulations/proposedrules.htm> . Please contact Carrie Capp at 503-229-5868, toll free in Oregon at 800-452-4011, or email [capp.carrie@deq.state.or.us](mailto:capp.carrie@deq.state.or.us) for more information, of if you would like to request a hard copy of the rulemaking packet. You may contact Carrie by mail at the following address: Oregon DEQ Air Quality Division, 811 SW Sixth Avenue, Portland, OR 97204.

Sincerely,

CC: Air Quality Regional Managers