**Rule Caption:** Increase Title V Permit Fees by the Consumer Price Index: Phase 2

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**Subject:** The Oregon Environmental Quality Commission adopted rules to increase Title V operating permit fees by the change in the consumer price index (CPI) as state and federal law authorize. The fee increases are necessary for DEQ to provide essential services associated with Oregon’s Title V permitting program.

Phase one: EQC adopted the phase one rules at the commission’s meeting in June 2016. The adopted fee increase effective for the 2016 invoice year was 0.45 percent based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics September 2015 consumer price index for the period of Sept. 2014 to Aug. 2015. DEQ applied this CPI increase to permit fees on the invoices DEQ issued in Aug. 2016 for annual emissions during 2015 and the operating period Nov. 15, 2016 to Nov. 14, 2017.

Phase two: EQC adopted the phase two rules at a commission meeting in Jan. 2017. The proposed fee increase effective for the 2017 invoice year is 0.80 percent based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics September 2016 consumer price index for the period Sept. 2015 to Aug. 2016. DEQ will apply this CPI increase to permit fees on the invoices DEQ will issue in Aug. 2017 for annual emissions during 2016 and the operating period Nov. 15, 2017 to Nov. 14, 2018.