

**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD; NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS PROPOSED RULEMAKING [25 Pa. Code Chapter 129]**

**Corrections to Additional RACT Requirements for Major Sources of NOx and VOCs for the 2015 Ozone NAAQS (RACT 3)**

The Environmental Quality Board (Board) will hold three public hearings for the purpose of accepting comments on the proposed amendments to 25 Pa. Code Chapter 129 (relating to standards for sources) to correct errors in the mass-equivalent basis factors established in § 129.115(c) (relating to written notification, compliance demonstration and recordkeeping and reporting requirements) and a cross reference error in § 129.115(d). These are errors in an optional alternative compliance method provision included in the Additional RACT Requirements for Major Sources of NOx and VOCs for the 2015 Ozone NAAQS final-form rulemaking (RACT 3 regulation) published at 52 Pa.B. 6960 (November 12, 2022). This proposed rulemaking will be effective upon final-form publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. This proposed rulemaking will be submitted to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for approval as a revision to the Commonwealth's State Implementation Plan (SIP) following publication of the final-form rulemaking in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. This proposed rulemaking was adopted by the Board at its meeting on November 12, 2024.

**Copies of the Proposed Rulemaking**

The full text of the proposed rulemaking will be published in the January 25, 2025, issue of the Pennsylvania Bulletin and will be available at <https://www.pacodeandbulletin.gov/> as well as on the Department of Environmental Protection's (Department) website at <https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dep.html> (Public Participation; select Environmental Quality Board (EQB); then see Regulations Currently Open for Comment).

**Public Hearings**

The hearings will be held at 1 p.m. on the following dates:

February 25, 2025, at the Department's Southwest Regional Office, Waterfront Conference Room A, 500 Waterfront Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15222; and February 26, 2025, at the Department's Rachel Carson State Office Building, Room 105, 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101; and

February 26, 2025, at the Department's Southeast Regional Office, Delaware River Conference Room, 2 East Main Street, Norristown, PA 19401.

Persons wishing to present testimony at a hearing are requested to contact Casey Damicantonio for the Department and the Board, (717) 783-8727 or [RA-EPEQB@pa.gov](mailto:RA-EPEQB@pa.gov), at least 1 week in advance of the hearing to reserve a time to present testimony. Language interpretation services are available upon request. Persons in need of language interpretation services must contact Casey Damicantonio at least 1 week in advance of the hearing. Verbal testimony is limited to 5 minutes for each witness and each witness is requested to submit three written copies of their verbal testimony to the hearing chairperson at the hearing. Organizations are limited to designating one witness to present testimony on their behalf at each hearing. Persons in need of accommodations as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 should contact the Board at (717) 783-8727 or through the Pennsylvania Hamilton Relay Service at (800) 654-5984 (TDD) or (800) 654-5988 (voice users) to discuss how the Board may accommodate their needs.

**Public Comments**

Interested persons are invited to submit to the Board written comments, suggestions, support or objections regarding this proposed rulemaking. Comments, suggestions, support, or objections must be received by the Board by March 28, 2025. Comments may be submitted to the Board online, by e-mail, by mail, or by express mail as follows. Comments may be submitted to the Board by accessing eComment at <http://www.ahs.dep.pa.gov/eComment>. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to [RegComments@pa.gov](mailto:RegComments@pa.gov). A subject heading of this proposed rulemaking and a return name and address must be included in each transmission. If an acknowledgement of comments submitted online or by e-mail is not received by the sender within 2 working days, the comments should be retransmitted to the Board to ensure receipt. Comments may also be submitted to the Board by mail or express mail. Written comments should be mailed to the Environmental Quality Board, P.O. Box 8477, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477. Express mail should be sent to the Environmental Quality Board, Rachel Carson State Office Building, 16th Floor, 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101-2301. Comments submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

JESSICA SHIRLEY,

Acting Chairperson