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Public Notices Proposal to Adopt Regulation Changes in Title 18 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with Air Quality Control

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Body of Notice:

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 18 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with Chapter 50, Air Quality Control, including the following:

DEC is proposing to make changes in our air quality regulations to comply with Ch. 46, SLA 2003 (HB160), which was signed into law in June of 2003. HB 160 revised statutes relating to air quality in AS 37 and AS 46.14.

DEC is proposing to amend our fees by including a schedule of fixed fees for permit administration fees for Title V permits and certain minor permits. DEC is proposing fees for certain designated regulatory services and negotiated fees for certain permit activities and permits. Certain minor changes are also proposed in the emission fees. We are proposing changes to the billing procedures and there is a minor change to the fee regarding preapproved emission limits.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to Don Bodron at 410 Willoughby Ave., Suite 303, Juneau, AK 99801 or Don_Bodron@dec.state.ak.us. The comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 5, 2004.

Please note that the proposed regulations reference a draft regulations project that was adopted by DEC on May 28, 2004. Those adopted regulations are currently at the Department of Law for review. They have not yet been filed by the Lieutenant Governor.

DEC will be holding a public workshop on September 29, 2004 at the 1st floor Conference Room at 555 Cordova St. in Anchorage, Alaska from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. The purpose of the workshop is to discuss the proposed changes.

Oral or written comments also may be submitted at a hearing to be held on September 29th from 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the 1st floor Conference Room at 555 Cordova St. in Anchorage, Alaska. The hearing might be extended to accommodate those present before 3:30 p.m. who did not have an opportunity to comment.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Paula Wright at (907) 465-5022 or Paula_Wright@dec.state.ak.us no later than September 23, 2004 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

For a copy of the proposed regulation changes, contact Paula Wright at (907) 465-5022, at Paula_Wright@dec.state.ak.us, or you they can be reviewed below. Additional information on this proposed rulemaking is available at http://www.state.ak.us/dec/air/ap/fxdfee.htm.

After the public comment period ends on October 5, 2004, the Department of Environmental Conservation will either adopt these or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action on them. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. **YOU SHOULD COMMENT DURING THE TIME ALLOWED IF YOUR INTERESTS COULD BE AFFECTED**.

Statutory Authority: AS 44.46.025; AS 46.03.020; AS 46.14.140.

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 37.10.050; AS 44.46.025; AS 46.03.020; AS 46.14.140; AS 46.14.240.

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: August 24, 2004

/s/

Kurt Fredriksson, Deputy Commissioner

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