

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION REGULATIONS

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 18, Chapter 50 of the Alaska Administrative Code to update federal rules cited in state regulations which have been superseded; to adopt clarifications to existing regulations to fix typos, incorrect references, and internal regulation conflicts; and to make additional changes necessary to clarify the regulations.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying and alternative practical methods of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to Rebecca Smith, Environmental Program Specialist, Air Permit Program, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, 410 Willoughby Avenue Suite 303, Juneau, Alaska 99801, by facsimile at: (907) 465-5129, or by e-mail to the Air Quality Comments Docket at dec.aq.airdocket@alaska.gov. Comments must be received by 5:00 p.m., on January 3, 2008. Comments received after this date will not be considered in final action on these rules.

The Department will hold a public hearing on this proposal on January 3, 2008, from 10:00 – 11:30 am at the DEC Conference Room, 555 Cordova Street, Anchorage. Oral or written comment may be submitted at the hearing. The hearing will be extended if necessary to accommodate those present before 11:00 am who did not have an opportunity to comment. If you will not be able to attend the public hearing in person, please contact Rebecca Smith at (907) 465-5121 by December 28, 2007, to make arrangements to participate by phone. The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact Deborah Pock at (907) 269-0291 or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 within 30 days of publication of this notice to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

Please refer to the Regulation Hygiene documents on the Air Quality webpage at <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/ap/regulati.htm> for additional information about the proposed changes.

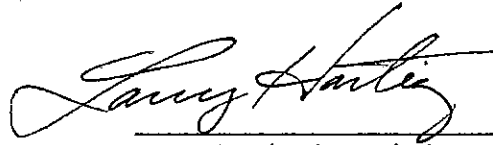
For a copy of the proposed regulation changes and a discussion of the rationale for the changes, contact Rebecca Smith, Air Permit Program, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, 410 Willoughby Avenue Suite 303, Juneau, Alaska, 99801; by phone at (907) 465-5121; by facsimile at (907) 465-5129; or you can go to the department's webpage at: <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/ap/regulati.htm>

After the public comment period ends on January 7, 2008, DEC 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.** Written comments received are public records and are subject to public inspection.

Statutory Authority: AS 44.03.710, AS 46.14.010, AS 46.14.020, AS 46.14.030

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 46.14

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Larry Hartig", written over a horizontal line.

Larry Hartig, Commissioner

Dated: November 21, 2007
Juneau, Alaska