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Transmitted via Electronic Mail

Subject: Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation Device Lists and Certification Test Review

Dear Device Manufacturer:

This letter is a follow up to the August 31, 2020 communication that was transmitted via Electronic Mail regarding Alaska's Wood-Fired Heating Approved Device Lists (Approved Device Lists) and the certification test report review. The August 31, 2020 letter may be found here: http://dec.alaska.gov/air/burnwise/standards/#Letters, and the Approved Device List may be found at the top of this web page. At the same location as the posted letters there is also a link to a web page dedicated to providing information specifically to device manufacturers and vendors.

Per the August 31, 2020 letter, the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation's (ADEC) Air Quality Division has finished its review of certification test reports for those Step 2 devices that received U.S. EPA certification prior to May 15, 2020. As previously stated, there are four Device Lists, however, to address questions received and avoid further confusion, the Device Lists names are being updated as described below.

Device Lists

<u>Approved Device Lists</u> – the name remains unchanged. Devices on this list are the only devices allowed to be installed for use within the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) nonattainment area.

Transition Device List – previously called Pending Device List – Devices on this list are in transition awaiting further information, clarification and review. They will remain on the Approved List until the milestone date passes, at which time the device will be removed from the Approved List and placed on the No Determination List. All devices on this Transition List have a certification test report review summary result of either "Pending-Minor" or "Pending-Major" due to deficiencies found in the certification report. Failure to address the deficiencies, within the timeframe specified, will result in ADEC removing the device from the Approved List. Please see instructions on the website to submit questions, data, corrections, or request a change in the milestone date, etc. Once through this initial transition period, ADEC will no longer need a Transition Device List as devices will be moved to the other three lists, as appropriate.

No Determination List - previously called Pending Review List - Devices on this list are;

- devices whose certification test reports have not been reviewed by ADEC;
- · devices whose certification test report result deficiencies have not been addressed; and

• devices whose certification test report is under review for the first time.

Devices on this list will have the reason/status clearly identified as to why the device is included on the No Determination List. A device listed on the No Determination List is not included on either the Approved List or the Disapproved List and will only move to one of those lists once full review is completed and a determination has been made by the State.

<u>Disapproved List</u> – the name remains unchanged. Devices on this list are not allowed to be installed in the FNSB nonattainment area. Each device on this list will have a reason identified for why the device is on the Disapproved List. Please note that this list is not used as a statewide disapproval list. Devices on the list can be reevaluated for inclusion on the Approved List if ADEC receives and approves additional or new information that supports a change in the determination.

Important Dates (as posted on the Manufacturer and Vendor web page)

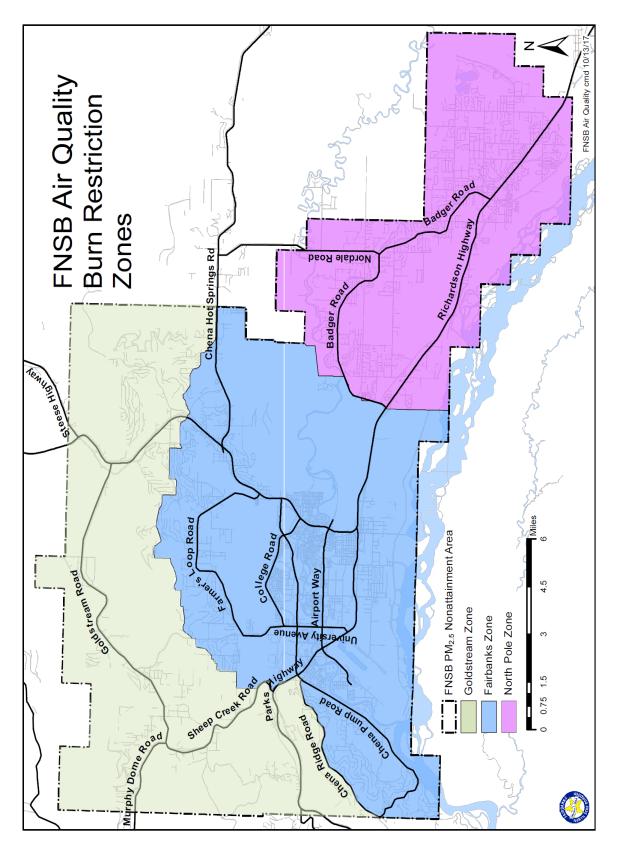
- October 1, 2020 Deadline for manufacturers to submit a written commitment to providing new or revised information by March 31, 2021, or submit new or revised information for rereview of minor or major deficiencies identified. Updated milestone dates will be added to Transition List as appropriate.
- October 1, 2020 ADEC begins review of any new information submitted.
- October 15, 2020 ADEC will post <u>all</u> summary review sheets. These will include any corrections, if errors were identified by manufacturers and corrected information provided, as indicated above, from existing tests. Summary review sheets will be updated as necessary.
- November 1, 2020 ADEC removes from the Approved Device List and adds to the No Determination List all devices listed on the Transition List where the manufacturer has not submitted information or a written commitment that data addressing deficiencies will be submitted to ADEC by March 31, 2021. New milestone dates will be added to the remaining Transition List devices as necessary.
- April 1, 2021 Any devices whose deficiencies have not been addressed will be removed from the Approved Device List and placed on the No Determination List, unless their milestone date has been extended.

If you have any questions you may contact Steven Hoke at 907-451-5172 or steven.hoke@alaska.gov. You may also contact me directly at cindy.heil@alaska.gov.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Program Manager



Note: Solid Fuel Fired Standards and Requirements are for the entire nonattainment area (NA).