

AIR QUALITY CONTROL: NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES
IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE
ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC) proposes to change its air quality regulations to update the excess emissions regulations.

ADEC proposed to adopt regulation changes in Title 18, Chapter 50 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with excess emissions as follows:

- (1) amend 18 AAC 50.240(b) to address changes in requirements for excess emissions.
- (2) amend 18 AAC 50.030 to update the adoption date of the State Air Quality Control Plan.

In addition, ADEC is proposing to request that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) remove 18 AAC 50.240 from the approved State Implementation Plan (SIP).

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 Rebecca Smith, ADEC Division of Air Quality, 410 Willoughby Avenue, Suite 303, P.O. Box 111800, Juneau, AK 99811-1800; or by e-mail to rebecca.smith@alaska.gov. Additionally, ADEC will accept comments by facsimile at (907) 465-5129; through the Air Quality Division's electronic comment submission web page at <https://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/FormalComments>; and by electronic mail to the Air Quality Comments Docket at dec.aq.airdocket@alaska.gov. **The comments must be received not later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 14, 2016.**

ADEC has tentatively scheduled a public hearing for these proposed regulations, on Tuesday, October 11, 2016, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the ADEC Building, 555 Cordova St., First Floor Small Conference Room A, Anchorage, AK 99501. The public hearing will be held only if a request to hold a public hearing is received by ADEC by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 6, 2016. You may request a public hearing by calling Rebecca Smith at 907-465-5121 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday or by e-mailing a request to rebecca.smith@alaska.gov. If no request for a public hearing is received, the public hearing will be cancelled. ADEC will announce the cancellation of the public hearing by publishing a public notice, by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 7, 2016, on these websites: <http://dec.alaska.gov/air/ap/regulati.htm>, <http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/AirPermitsApprovalsAndPublicNotices>, and http://dec.alaska.gov/commish/public_notices.htm. Oral or written comments may be submitted at the hearing, if a public hearing is conducted. If the public hearing occurs, there will be a call-in number if you are not able to attend the meeting in person. The call-in number will be 1-800-315-6338, and the Meet Me Code will be 81231#. If held, the hearing may be extended if

necessary to accommodate those present before 1:00 p.m. who did not have an opportunity to comment.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to ADEC using the electronic question form at <http://dec.alaska.gov/air/ap/18AAC50240QuestionsAndAnswers.htm> or by electronic mail to dec.aq.airdocket@alaska.gov or by sending the questions to Rebecca Smith, ADEC Division of Air Quality, 410 Willoughby Avenue, Suite 303, P.O. Box 111800, Juneau, AK 99811-1800. The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period; the question deadline is Tuesday, October 4, 2016. ADEC will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on <http://dec.alaska.gov/air/ap/18AAC50240QuestionsAndAnswers.htm>.

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact Natalie Wolfe at (907) 269-0291 or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 seven days prior to any open house or a public hearing to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

A copy of the proposed regulation changes is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and by contacting Rebecca Smith at rebecca.smith@alaska.gov or (907) 465-5121.

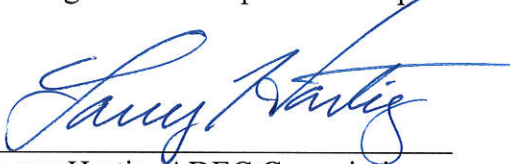
After the public comment period ends, the ADEC will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulation may be different from that of the proposed regulation. YOU SHOULD 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 46.03.020; AS 46.14.020; AS 46.14.030; AS 46.14.140; AS 46.14.560; Sec. 30, ch. 74, SLA 1993

Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific: AS 46.03.020; AS 46.14.020; AS 46.14.030; AS 46.14.140; AS 46.14.560

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

Date: September 7, 2016


Larry Hartig, ADEC Commissioner