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Michelle Pirzadeh, Acting Regional Administrator
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Dear Ms. Pirzadeh:

This letter provides for your approval two sets of revisions to the Alaska Administrative Code (AAC), Title 18, Chapter 50 Air Quality Control, with effective dates of July 25, 2008, and November 9, 2008. The revisions to 18 ACC 50 from July 25, 2008 were general regulation updates primarily revising adoption by reference dates of federal standards and actions. The November 9, 2008 revisions were updates to 18 ACC 50 for the adoption by reference of revised standard conditions and In Situ Burning Guidelines. In addition, language was added to allow for the use of standard conditions in minor permits.

We are providing three paper copies and one electronic version of the following documents to Ms. Gina Bonifacino, of your staff, for both of the respective packages:

- Alaska Administrative Code, Title 18, Chapter 50 Air Quality Control with an effective date of July 25, 2008, published in Register 187, October 2008; and
- Alaska Administrative Code, Title 18, Chapter 50 Air Quality Control with an effective date of November 9, 2008, published in Register 188, January 2009; and
- ADEC documents adopted by reference (standard conditions and the In Situ Burning Guidelines) in the November 9, 2008 regulation revision.

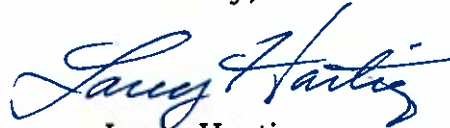
The following supporting documents are also being provided for the two regulation packages:

1. Signed & Certified Adoption Order and Filing Certificate for Permanent Regulations, filed June 25, 2008 with an effective date of July 25, 2008, and Signed & Certified Adoption Order and Filing Certificate for Permanent Regulations, filed October 10, 2008 with an effective date of November 9, 2008;
2. Notice of Public Comment, signed November 21, 2007, and Notice of Public Comment, signed April 21, 2008;

3. Affidavits of Publication for Public Notice (dated November 26, 2007) signed December 4, 2007, November 28, 2007, and December 20, 2007, and Affidavits of Publication for Public Notice (dated April 22 and 24, 2008) signed June 19, 2008, April 23, 2008, and May 8, 2008;
4. Affidavit of Agency Record of Public Comment, signed January 24, 2008, and Affidavit of Agency Record of Public Comment, signed August 7, 2008;
5. Affidavit of Oral Hearing (dated January 3, 2008) signed January 3, 2008, and Affidavit of Oral Hearing (dated May 22, 2008) signed October 2, 2008;
6. Affidavit of Notice of Proposed Adoption of Regulations and Furnishing of Additional Information signed January 16, 2008, and Affidavit of Notice of Proposed Adoption of Regulations and Furnishing of Additional Information signed August 7, 2008; and
7. Public Review Draft of proposed changes to 18 AAC 50 showing changes with new language indicated by bold lettering and old language shown in brackets dated November 21, 2007, and Public Review Draft of proposed changes to 18 AAC 50 and showing changes with new language indicated by bold lettering and old language shown in brackets dated April 22, 2008.

Ms. Rebecca Smith is available to respond to questions or to otherwise assist your staff as needed. She can be reached at (907) 465-5121 or rebecca.smith@alaska.gov. As always, I would be pleased to discuss any of this with you.

Sincerely,



Larry Hartig
Commissioner

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