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Delegation of Authority to the State of Nebraska; Lincoln-Lancaster County; and City of Omaha. NSPS, NESHAP and MACT 40 CFR Part 60, 61 and 63	2/27/2015	Delegation of Authority	The States of Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska and the local agencies of Lincoln-Lancaster County, Nebraska, and the city of Omaha, Nebraska, have submitted updated regulations for delegation of EPA authority for implementation and enforcement of NSPS, NESHAP, and MACT standards. The submissions cover new EPA standards and, in some instances, revisions to standards previously delegated. EPA's review of the pertinent regulations shows that they contain adequate and effective procedures for the implementation and enforcement of these Federal standards. This action informs the public of delegations to the above-mentioned agencies.	Effective February 27, 2015	
Lead (Pb) AERR 40 CFR Part 51	2/19/15	Final Rule	This action finalizes changes to the EPA's emissions inventory reporting requirements. This action lowers the threshold for reporting lead (Pb) emissions sources as point sources, eliminates the requirement for reporting emissions from wildfires and prescribed fires, and replaces a requirement for reporting mobile source emissions with a requirement for reporting the input parameters that can be used to run the EPA models that generate emissions estimates.	Effective February 19, 2015.	
Coal- and Oil-Fired Electric Utility Steam Generating Units NSPS and NESHAP 40 CFR Part 60 and 63 Subpart UUUUU	2/17/15	Proposed Rule	EPA is proposing this action to correct and clarify certain text of the final action titled "NESHAP From Coal- and Oil-Fired Electric Utility Steam Generating Units and Standards of Performance for Fossil-Fuel-Fired Electric Utility, Industrial-Commercial-Institutional, and Small Industrial-Commercial-Institutional Steam Generating Units," which was published in the Federal Register of Thursday, February 16, 2012. We are also proposing to remove rule provisions establishing an affirmative defense for malfunction events in light of a recent court decision on the issue.	Comments must be received by April 3, 2015.	NDEQ Air Toxics Notebook Subpart UUUUU
Aerospace Manufacturing and Rework Facilities Risk and Technology Review NESHAP 40 CFR Part 63 Subpart GG	2/17/15	Proposed Rule	EPA is proposing amendments to the NESHAP for Aerospace Manufacturing and Rework Facilities to address the results of the residual risk and technology review (RTR) conducted as required under the Clean Air Act (CAA), and to correct errors and deficiencies identified during the review of these standards.	Comments must be received by April 3, 2015.	NDEQ Air Toxics Notebook Subpart GG
Submission Requirements for SIP and Notice of Availability of an Option for Electronic Reporting SIP 40 CFR Part 51 and 52	2/10/15	Final Rule	the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is revising the requirements for how SIPs are required to be submitted to the EPA. Specifically, we are providing state, local and tribal air agencies an option to submit SIPs, including any necessary supporting documents, using our new electronic SIP (eSIP) submission system, which is web-based.	Effective March 16, 2015.	

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Polyvinyl Chloride and Copolymers Production Area Sources Wastewater Limit Withdrawal NESHAP 40 CFR Part 63 Subpart DDDDDD	2/4/15	Direct Final Rule	TThe Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to amend the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Polyvinyl Chloride and Copolymers Production Area Sources. In addition to this proposed rule, the EPA is publishing a direct final rule that withdraws the total non-vinyl chloride organic hazardous air pollutant (TOHAP) area source process wastewater emission standards for new and existing polyvinyl chloride and copolymers area sources.	Effective March 30, 2015. Comments must be received by March 13, 2015.	NDEQ Air Toxics Notebook Subpart DDDDDD
Promulgation of SIP Revisions; Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 PM2.5 SIP 40 CFR Part 52	1/29/15	Final Rule	The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is approving elements of State Implementation Plan (SIP) revisions from the State of South Dakota to demonstrate the State meets infrastructure requirements of the Clean Air Act (CAA) for the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) promulgated for fine particulate matter (PM 2.5) on July 18, 1997 and October 17, 2006; lead (Pb) on October 15, 2008; ozone on March 12, 2008; and nitrogen dioxide (NO 2) on January 22, 2010. EPA is also approving SIP revisions the State submitted updating the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) program and provisions regarding state boards. Section 110(a) of the CAA requires that each state submit a SIP for the implementation, maintenance, and enforcement of each NAAQS promulgated by EPA.	Effective March 2, 2015.	
Class I Ozone-Depleting Substances Protection of Stratospheric Ozone 40 CFR Part 82	1/26/15	Final Rule	This rule extends the laboratory and analytical use exemption for the production and import of class I ozone-depleting substances through December 31, 2021. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is taking this action under the Clean Air Act, consistent with a recent decision of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. The exemption allows the production and import of controlled substances in the United States for laboratory and analytical uses that have not been already identified by EPA as nonessential.	Effective January 26, 2015.	EPA's Stratospheric Ozone Website
National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP) NCP 40 CFR Part 110 and 300 Subpart J	1/22/15	Proposed Rule	The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or the Agency) proposes to amend the requirements in Subpart J of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP) that govern the use of dispersants, other chemical and biological agents, and other spill mitigating substances when responding to oil discharges into waters of the United States (U.S.). The proposal addresses the efficacy, toxicity, environmental monitoring of dispersants, and other chemical and biological agents, as well as public, state, local, and federal officials' concerns regarding their use.	Comments must be received by April 22, 2015.	EPA's website: NCP Subpart J

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Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incineration Units NSPS 40 CFR Part 60 Subpart CCCC	1/21/15	Proposed Rule	On February 7, 2013, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) promulgated its final response to petitions for reconsideration of the final new source performance standards (NSPS) and emission guidelines (EG) for commercial and industrial solid waste incineration (CISWI) units that were promulgated on March 21, 2011. Following promulgation of the February 2013 final action, the Administrator received petitions for reconsideration that identified issues that petitioners maintain require additional reconsideration and/or warrant further opportunity for public comment. In this action, the EPA is granting reconsideration on four provisions of the February 2013 final NSPS and EG for CISWI units.	Comments must be received by March 9, 2015, or 30 days after date of public hearing, if later	NDEQ NSPS Notebook Subpart CCCC
Major Sources: Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers and Process Heaters NESHAP 40 CFR Part 63 Subpart DDDDD	1/21/15	Proposed Rule	On January 31, 2013, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finalized amendments to the national emission standards for the control of hazardous air pollutants (HAP) from new and existing industrial, commercial, and institutional boilers and process heaters at major sources of HAP. Subsequently, the EPA received 10 petitions for reconsideration of the final rule. The EPA is announcing reconsideration of and requesting public comment on three issues raised in the petitions for reconsideration, as detailed in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice	Comments must be received by March 9, 2015, or 30 days after date of public hearing, if later	NDEQ Air Toxics Notebook Subpart DDDDD
Area Sources: Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers NESHAP 40 CFR Part 63 Subpart JJJJJJ	1/21/15	Proposed Rule	On February 1, 2013, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finalized amendments to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Area Sources: Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers (Area Source Boilers Rule). Subsequently, the EPA received three petitions for reconsideration of the final rule. The EPA is announcing reconsideration of and requesting public comment on five issues raised in the petitions for reconsideration, as detailed in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.	Comments must be received by March 9, 2015, or 30 days after date of public hearing, if later	NDEQ Air Toxics Notebook Subpart JJJJJJ
Secondary Aluminum Production NESHAP 40 CFR Part 63 Subpart RRR	1/15/15	Extension of Comment Period	The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing that the period for providing public comments on the December 8, 2014, supplemental proposed rule titled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Secondary Aluminum Production" is being extended for 15 days.	Comments must be received by February 6, 2015.	NDEQ Air Toxics Notebook Subpart RRR

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Primary Aluminum Reduction Plants NESHAP 40 CFR Part 63 Subpart LL	1/15/15	Extension of Comment Period	The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing that the period for providing public comments on the December 8, 2014, supplemental proposed rule titled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Primary Aluminum Reduction Plants" is being extended for 15 days.	Comments must be received by February 6, 2015.	NDEQ Air Toxics Notebook Subpart LL
Primary Annual Fine Particle (PM2.5) NAAQS 40 CFR Part 81	1/15/15	Final Rule	This rule establishes air quality designations for most areas in the United States (U.S.), including areas of Indian country, for the 2012 primary annual fine particle (PM2.5) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). Through these designations, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is identifying as "nonattainment" those areas that are violating the 2012 PM2.5 NAAQS based on quality-assured, certified air quality monitoring data from 2011 to 2013 or those areas that are contributing to a violation of the NAAQS in a nearby area.	Effective April 15, 2015.	EPA's final PM2.5 designations
NSPS for Municipal Waste Combustors NSPS 40 CFR Part 60 Subpart Ea and Eb	1/13/15	Notice	The Environmental Protection Agency has submitted an information collection request (ICR), "NSPS for Municipal Waste Combustors (40 CFR part 60, subparts Ea and Eb) (Renewal)" (EPA ICR No. 1506.13, OMB Control No. 2060-0210) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through January 31, 2015.	Additional comments may be submitted by February 12, 2015.	NDEQ NSPS Notebook
Municipal Waste Combustors TSCA 40 CFR Part 721	1/7/15	Proposed Rule	EPA is proposing significant new use rules (SNURs) under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for 13 chemical substances which were the subject of premanufacture notices (PMNs). This action would require persons who intend to manufacture (including import) or process any of the chemical substances for an activity that is designated as a significant new use by this proposed rule to notify EPA at least 90 days before commencing that activity. The required notification would provide EPA with the opportunity to evaluate the intended use and, if necessary, to prohibit or limit the activity before it occurs.	Comments must be received by March 9, 2015.	EPA Policy - Documents
Lead NAAQS 40 CFR Part 50	1/5/15	Proposed Rule	Based on the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) review of the air quality criteria and the national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for lead (Pb), the EPA is proposing to retain the current standards, without revision.	Comments must be received by April 6, 2015.	EPA Policy - Documents