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Rules / Guidances / Memoranda Released Since 2010 Related to Implementation of the NAAQS and NSR and Title V Permitting

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Date	Title	File
NAAQS Implementation		
NO₂		
2/17/12	Air Quality Designations for the 2010 Primary Nitrogen Dioxide (NO ₂) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (Final – 77 FR 9532; signed 1/20/12)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-02-17/pdf/2012-3150.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule establishes air quality designations for all areas in the United States for the 2010 Primary NO ₂ NAAQS.		
11/24/14	Findings of Failure to Submit a Complete State Implementation Plan for Section 110(a) Pertaining to the 2010 Nitrogen Oxide (NO ₂) Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard (Final – 79 FR 69769; signed 11/14/14)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-11-24/pdf/2014-27679.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule takes action finding that the District of Columbia and seven states have not submitted complete ISIPs that provide the basic CAA program elements necessary to implement the 2010 NO ₂ primary NAAQS.		
SO₂		
3/24/11	Area Designations for the 2010 Revised Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/sulfurdioxide/pdfs/20110411so2designationsguidance.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum provides information on the schedule and process for designating areas for the purpose of implementing the 2010 revised primary SO ₂ NAAQS.		

Date	Title	File
11/7/11	Final Response to Petition from New Jersey Regarding SO ₂ Emissions from the Portland Generating Station (Final – 76 FR 6952; signed 10/31/11)	http://www.state.nj.us/dep/baqp/petition/EPA.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> The EPA is making a finding that the coal-fired Portland Generating Station (Portland), owned and operated by GenOn REMA LLC (GenOn), in Upper Mount Bethel Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, is emitting air pollutants in violation of the interstate transport provisions of the CAA. Specifically, the EPA finds that emissions of SO₂ from Portland significantly contribute to nonattainment and interfere with maintenance of the 1-hour SO₂ NAAQS in New Jersey. This finding is made in response to a petition submitted by the NJDEP on 9/17/10. In this action, the EPA is establishing emission limitations and compliance schedules to ensure that Portland will eliminate its significant contribution to nonattainment and interference with maintenance of the 1-hour SO₂ NAAQS in New Jersey. Compliance with these limits will permit the continued operation of Portland beyond the 3-month limit established by the CAA for sources subject to a contribution finding.</p>		
2/6/13	Next Steps for Area Designations and Implementation of the Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standard	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/sulfurdioxide/pdfs/20130207SO2StrategyPaper.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This paper describes the EPA's updated strategy for completing initial area designations under the June 2010 1-hour primary SO₂ NAAQS.</p>		
8/5/13	Air Quality Designations for the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard (Final – 78 FR 47191; signed 6/25/13)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-08-05/pdf/2013-18835.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This final rule establishes air quality designations for certain areas in the United States for the 2010 primary SO₂ NAAQS.</p>		
4/23/14	Guidance for 1-Hour SO ₂ Nonattainment Area SIP Submissions	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/sulfurdioxide/pdfs/20140423guidance.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> The purpose of this memorandum is to distribute a non-binding guidance titled, "Guidance for 1-Hour SO₂ Nonattainment Area SIP Submissions." The document is intended to provide guidance and recommendations to state, local and tribal governments for the development of SIPs and TIPS under the 2010 1-hour primary SO₂ NAAQS.</p>		
3/20/15	Updated Guidance for Area Designations for the 2010 Primary Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/sulfurdioxide/pdfs/20150320SO2designations.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum contains revised guidance for developing updates to state recommendations for initial area designations for the 2010 SO₂ NAAQS in accordance with court-ordered schedule for issuing all initial area designations by December 31, 2020. Includes new recommendations for developing and using modeling results to determine if air quality in a specific area meets or does not meet the NAAQS.</p>		

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8/21/15	Data Requirements Rule for 1-hr Sulfur Dioxide (SO ₂) Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard (Final – 80 FR 50152; signed 8/10/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-21/pdf/2015-20367.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The final rule directs state and tribal air agencies (air agencies) to provide data to characterize current air quality in areas with large sources of sulfur dioxide (SO ₂) emissions to identify maximum 1-hour SO ₂ concentrations in ambient air. The final rule establishes minimum criteria for identifying the emissions sources and associated areas for which air agencies are required to characterize SO ₂ air quality. Air agencies remain free to also characterize air quality in additional areas beyond those required to be characterized under the rule. The final rule also sets forth a process and timetables by which air agencies must characterize air quality through ambient monitoring and/or air quality modeling techniques and submit such data to the EPA. The EPA has issued separate non-binding draft technical assistance documents recommending how air agencies should conduct such monitoring or modeling. The air quality data developed by air agencies pursuant to this rule may be used by the EPA in future actions to evaluate areas' air quality under the 2010 1-hour SO ₂ National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS), including area designations and redesignations, as appropriate.		
3/18/16	Findings of Failure to Submit State Implementation Plans Required for Attainment of the 2010 1-Hour Primary Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards (Final – 81 FR 14736; signed 3/10/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-03-18/pdf/2016-06063.pdf
4/14/16	Correction Notice (Final – 81 FR 22025; signed 3/8/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-04-14/pdf/2016-08509.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This action finds that several states failed to submit SIPs to satisfy certain nonattainment area planning requirements of the CAA for the 2010 1-hour primary SO ₂ NAAQS.		
7/12/16	Air Quality Designations for the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide (SO ₂) National Ambient Air Quality Standards – Round 2 (Final – 81 FR 45039; signed 6/30/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-12/pdf/2016-16348.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule establishes the initial air quality designations for certain areas in the US for the 2010 primary SO ₂ NAAQS.		
7/22/16	Area Designations for the 2010 Primary Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standard – Round 3	https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-07/documents/areadesign.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum provides information on the schedule and process for the area designations for the 2010 primary SO ₂ NAAQS that the EPA must complete by a court-ordered deadline of 12/3/17 (Round 3).		
PM		
4/16/13	Initial Area Designations for the 2012 Revised Primary Annual Fine Particulate National Ambient Air Quality Standards	http://www3.epa.gov/pmdesignations/2012standards/docs/april2013guidance.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum provides information on the schedule and process for initially designating areas for the purposes of implementing the 2012 revised PM _{2.5} NAAQS.		

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6/2/14	Identification of Nonattainment Classification and Deadlines for Submission of State Implementation Plan Provisions for the 97 Fine Particle (PM _{2.5}) NAAQS and 2006 PM _{2.5} NAAQS (Final – 79 FR 31566; signed 4/25/14)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-06-02/pdf/2014-10395.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This final rule identifies the classification under subpart 4 for areas currently designated nonattainment for the 1997 and/or 2006 PM_{2.5} standards, the deadlines for states to submit attainment-related and NNSR SIP elements required for these areas pursuant to subpart 4, and the EPA guidance that is currently available regarding subpart 4 requirements.</p>		
1/15/15	Air Quality Designations for the 2012 Primary Annual Fine Particle (PM _{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS); Final Rule (Final – 80 FR 2206; signed 12/18/14)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-01-15/pdf/2015-00021.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This final rule establishes air quality designations for most areas in the U.S., including areas of Indian country, for the 2012 primary PM_{2.5} NAAQS.</p>		
4/7/15	Additional Air Quality Designations and Technical Amendment to Correct Inadvertent Error in Air Quality Designations for the 2012 Primary Annual Fine Particle (PM _{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) (Final – 80 FR 18535; signed 3/31/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-04-07/pdf/2015-07948.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This rule establishes initial area designations for 5 areas that were deferred in the January 18, 2015 notice, and changes the initial designations from ‘nonattainment’ to ‘unclassifiable/attainment’ or ‘unclassifiable’ for 5 areas based on state-submitted early-certified 2014 monitoring data showing that air quality meets the NAAQS. Effective date of designations is April 15, 2015.</p>		
7/29/15	Air Quality Designations for the 2006 24-Hour Fine Particle National Ambient Air Quality Standards (2006 24-hour PM _{2.5} NAAQS), 1997 Annual PM _{2.5} NAAQS, and 1987 Annual Coarse Particle (PM ₁₀) NAAQS; Technical Amendments to Inadvertent Error (Final – 80 FR 45067; signed 7/21/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-07-29/pdf/2015-18532.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This final action makes technical amendments to address several minor, inadvertent and nonsubstantive errors in the regulatory text establishing the air quality designations for the 2006 24-hour fine particle (PM_{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), 1997 annual PM_{2.5} NAAQS, and 1987 annual coarse particle (PM₁₀) NAAQS. The states to which these amendments apply are New York and West Virginia.</p>		

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3/17/16	Information on the Interstate “Good Neighbor” Provision for the 2012 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards under Clean Air Act Section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(1)	https://www3.epa.gov/airquality/particlepollution/pdfs/good-neighbor-memo.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum provides information to the EPA Regional Offices and the states as they develop and review SIPs that address the interstate transport provision of the CAA section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(1) otherwise known as the “Good Neighbor” provision, as it pertains to the 2012 PM _{2.5} NAAQS.		
8/24/16	Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards: State Implementation Plan Requirements; Final Rule (Final – 81 FR 58010; signed 7/29/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-08-24/pdf/2016-18768.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This rule finalizes requirements that state, local and tribal air agencies would have to meet as they implement the current and future NAAQS for PM _{2.5} .		
9/6/16	Air Quality Designations for the 2012 Primary Annual Fine Particle (PM _{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for Areas in Georgia and Florida (Final – 81 FR 61136; signed 8/30/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-09-06/pdf/2016-21338.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This rule finalizes establishes air quality designations in the U.S. for the 2012 PM _{2.5} NAAQS for three areas in GA and 62 counties in Florida.		
Ozone		
9/22/11	Implementation of the Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/ozonepollution/pdfs/OzoneMemo9-22-11.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify for state and local air agencies the status of the 2008 ozone NAAQS and to outline implementation steps moving forward.		
5/21/12	Air Quality Designations for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (Final – 77 FR 30088; signed 4/30/13)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-05-21/pdf/2012-11618.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This rule establishes initial air quality designations for most areas in the United States, including areas of Indian country, for the 2008 primary and secondary national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for ozone.		
5/21/12	Implementation of the 2008 National Air Quality Standards for Ozone: Nonattainment Area Classifications Approach, Attainment Deadlines and Revocation of the 1997 Ozone Standards for Transportation Conformity Purposes (Final – 77 FR 30160; signed 4/30/13)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-05-21/pdf/2012-11605.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule establishes air quality thresholds that define the classifications assigned to all nonattainment areas for the 2008 ozone NAAQS which were promulgated on 3/12/08.		

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6/11/12	Air Quality Designations for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Several Counties in Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin; Correction to Inadvertent Errors in Prior Designations (Final – 77 FR 34221; signed 5/31/12)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-06-11/pdf/2012-14097.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule completes the initial air quality designations for the 2008 primary and secondary NAAQS for ozone.		
1/22/15	Information on the Interstate Transport “Good Neighbor” Provision for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) under Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I)	http://www3.epa.gov/airtransport/GoodNeighborProvision2008NAAQS.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum is to provide information to states regarding SIPs to address the interstate transport “Good Neighbor” Provision of the CAA as it pertains to the 2008 ozone NAAQS.		
3/6/15	Implementation of the 2008 National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone: State Implementation Plan Requirements; Final Rule (Final – 80 FR12264; signed 2/13/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-03-06/pdf/2015-04012.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule establishes a final rule for implementing the 2008 ozone NAAQS that were promulgated on March 12, 2008.		
7/13/15	Findings of Failure to Submit a Section 110 State Implementation Plan for Interstate Transport for the 2008 National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone (Final Rule – 80 FR 3991; Signed 6/30/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-07-13/pdf/2015-16922.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule finds that 24 states have failed to submit infrastructure State Implementation Plans (SIPs) to satisfy certain interstate transport requirements of the Clean Air Act (CAA) with respect to the 2008 8-hour ozone national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS). Specifically, these requirements pertain to significant contribution to nonattainment, or interference with maintenance, of the 2008 8-hour ozone NAAQS in other states. These findings of failure to submit establish a 2-year deadline for the EPA to promulgate a Federal Implementation Plan (FIP) to address the interstate transport SIP requirements pertaining to significant contribution to nonattainment and interference with maintenance unless, prior to the EPA promulgating a FIP, the state submits, and the EPA approves, a SIP that meets these requirements.		
8/4/15	Notice of Availability of the Environmental Protection Agency’s Updated Ozone Transport Modeling Data for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) (NOA – 80 FR 46271; 7/23/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-04/pdf/2015-18878.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This notice provides notice that interstate ozone transport modeling and associated data and methods are available for public review and comment. These data and methods will be used to inform a rulemaking proposal that the EPA is developing and expects to release later this year to address interstate ozone transport for the 2008 ozone NAAQS. This notice also meets the EPA’s expressed intent to update the air quality modeling data that were released on 1/22/15, and to share the updated data with states and other stakeholders.		

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10/1/15	Implementing the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards	http://www3.epa.gov/ozonepollution/pdfs/20151001memo.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This document highlights many of the issues related to implementing the revised national ozone standards, including policy and technical aspects of implementation that EPA anticipates facing in the coming years. It also outlines actions that the EPA will take and our expectations of our air agency partners.		
12/3/15	Cross-State Air Pollution Rule Update for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS (NPRM Rule – 80 FR 75706; Signed 11/16/15)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-12-03/pdf/2015-29796.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This rule proposes an update to the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR) FIPs for the 2008 ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). Starting in 2017, this proposal would reduce summertime nitrogen oxides (NO _x) emissions from power plants in 23 states in the eastern U.S.		
2/25/16	Area Designations for the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-03-01/pdf/2016-04468.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This guidance provides information on the schedule and process for initially designating areas for the purpose of implementing the 2015 primary and secondary ozone NAAQS.		
5/4/16	Determinations of Attainment by the Attainment Date, Extensions of the Attainment Date, and Reclassification of Several Areas Classified As Marginal for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (Final – 81 FR 26697; Signed 4/11/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-05-04/pdf/2016-09729.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This rule takes final action on three separate and independent types of determinations for each of the 36 areas that are currently classified as “Marginal” for the 2008 ozone NAAQS. First, the EPA is determining that 17 areas attained the 2008 ozone NAAQS by the applicable attainment date of July 20, 2015, based on complete, quality-assured and certified ozone monitoring data for 2012-2014. Second, the EPA is granting 1-year attainment date extensions for eight areas on the basis that the requirements for such extensions under the CAA and the EPA’s implementing regulations have been met. Third, the EPA is determining that 11 areas failed to attain the 2008 ozone NAAQS by the applicable attainment date of July 20, 2015, and thus are reclassified by operation of law as “Moderate” for the 2008 ozone NAAQS. States containing any or any portion of these new Moderate areas must submit SIP revisions that meet the statutory and regulatory requirements that apply to 2008 ozone nonattainment areas classified as Moderate by January 1, 2017.		

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Lead		
11/22/10	Air Quality Designations for the 2008 Lead (Pb) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (Final – 75 FR 71033; signed 11/16/10)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2010-11-22/pdf/2010-29405.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule establishes air quality designations for certain areas in the United States for the 2008 Pb NAAQS.		
7/8/11	2008 Lead (Pb) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) Implementation Questions and Answers	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/lead/pdfs/2010708QAguidance.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This document addresses issues the EPA has received from the Regional Offices, states and industry. The document provides guidance and additional clarification that will be helpful for the Attainment Demonstration SIPs that were due 6/30/12, for the first round of designations and 6/30/13, for the second round of designations.		
11/22/11	Air Quality Designations for the 2008 Lead (Pb) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (Final – 76 FR 72097; signed 11/8/11)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-11-22/pdf/2011-29460.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule establishes air quality designations for most areas in the United States for the 2008 Pb NAAQS.		
3/2012	Implementation of the 2008 Lead National Ambient Air Quality Standards – Guide to Developing Reasonably Available Control Measures (RACM) for Controlling Lead Emissions	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/lead/pdfs/2012ImplementationGuide.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> In order to support the implementation of the 2008 Pb NAAQS, this document contains an analysis of air control measures for the purpose of determining what controls may constitute RACM, including RACT, for controlling lead emissions pursuant to Section 172(c)(1) of the CAA.		
8/10/12	Addendum to the 2008 Lead NAAQS Implementation Questions and Answers Signed on July 11, 2011, by Scott Mathias	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/lead/pdfs/20120810qanda.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> Addendum to the 2008 Lead NAAQS Implementation Questions and Answers dated 7/8/11 (above) - signed on July 11, 2011, by Scott Mathias.		
1/5/15	National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Lead (NPRM – 80 FR 278; signed 12/19/14)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-01-05/pdf/2014-30681.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The EPA is proposing to retain the current standards, without revisions.		
Modeling/Monitoring		
12/21/10	Methods for Measurement of Filterable PM ₁₀ and PM _{2.5} and Measurement of Condensable PM Emissions From Stationary Sources; Final Rule (Final Rule – 75 FR 80118; signed 12/1/10)	http://origin.www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2010-12-21/pdf/2010-30847.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule promulgates amendments to Methods 201A and 202.		

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6/2012	Near-Road NO ₂ Monitoring Technical Assistance Document	http://www3.epa.gov/ttnamti1/files/nearroad/NearRoadTAD.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This document is the June 2012 release of the Near-Road NO ₂ Monitoring TAD. The TAD was developed to aid state and local air monitoring agencies in the implementation of required near-road NO ₂ monitoring stations.		
3/14/13	Revision to Ambient Nitrogen Dioxide Monitoring Requirements (Final Rule – 78 FR 16184; signed 3/7/13)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-03-14/pdf/2013-05939.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule revises the deadlines established in the NAAQS for NO ₂ for the near-road component of the NO ₂ monitoring network in order to implement a phased deployment approach. This approach will create a series of deadlines that will make the near-road NO ₂ network operational between 1/1/14, and 1/1/17. The EPA is also finalizing revisions to the approval authority for annual monitoring network plans for NO ₂ monitoring.		
12/21/13	Draft SO ₂ Modeling Technical Assistance Document	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/sulfurdioxide/pdfs/SO2ModelingTAD.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This draft document is provided by the EPA to assist state, local, and tribal air agencies in the characterization of ambient air quality in areas with significant SO ₂ emission sources either through ambient monitoring or dispersion modeling as outlined in the expected data requirements rule. Revised January 2014.		
12/2013	Draft Source-Oriented SO ₂ Monitoring TAD	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/sulfurdioxide/pdfs/SO2MonitoringTAD.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The primary purpose of this draft Source-Oriented SO ₂ Monitoring TAD is to provide suggestions on how air agencies might appropriately and sufficiently monitor ambient air in proximity to an SO ₂ emission source to create ambient monitoring data for comparison to the SO ₂ NAAQS. Revised January 2014.		
4/16/14	Enhancements, “bug fixes” and other modifications to AERMOD Dispersion Model	http://www3.epa.gov/ttn/scram/models/aermod/AERMOD_MCB10_table.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> MCB 10 AERMOD version 14134 changes by change type.		


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9/30/14	Guidance Memorandum: Clarification on the Use of AERMOD Dispersion Modeling for Demonstrating Compliance with the NO ₂ National Ambient Air Quality Standard	http://www3.epa.gov/scram001/guidance/clarification/NO2_Clarification_Memo-20140930.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This guidance addresses NSR/PSD modeling compliance demonstrations for NO ₂ NAAQS and the approval and use of the new Tier 2 Ambient Ratio Method 2 (ARM2) and various aspects of the application of the Tier 3 approaches of OLM and PVMRM.		
12/3/14	Draft Modeling Guidance for Demonstrating Attainment of Air Quality Goals for Ozone, PM _{2.5} , and Regional Haze	http://www3.epa.gov/ttn/scram/guidance/guide/Draft_O3-PM-RH_Modeling_Guidance-2014.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The EPA is providing a draft revised version of Modeling Guidance for Demonstrating Attainment of Air Quality Goals for Ozone, PM _{2.5} and Regional Haze to the state and local agencies as well as the public for consideration review and comment. Comments are due 3/13/15.		
7/29/15	Revision to the Guideline on Air Quality Models: Enhancements to the AERMOD Dispersion Modeling System and Incorporation of Approaches To Address Ozone and Fine Particulate Matter; Proposed Rule	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-07-29/pdf/2015-18075.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This proposal proposes to revise the <i>Guideline on Air Quality Models</i> (“ <i>Guideline</i> ”). The <i>Guideline</i> has been incorporated into EPA’s regulations, satisfying a requirement under the CAA section 165(e)(3) for the EPA to specify, with reasonable particularity models to be used in the PSD program.		
PSD, NNSR and Title V Permitting		
3/23/10	Modeling Procedures for Demonstrating Compliance with PM _{2.5} NAAQS	http://www2.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-07/documents/pm25memo.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum addresses the need for recommendations regarding appropriate dispersion modeling procedures which can be used to demonstrate compliance with PM _{2.5} NAAQS.		
04/01/10	Applicability of the Federal Prevention of Significant Deterioration Permit Requirements to New and Revised National Ambient Air Quality Standards	http://cdn.ca9.uscourts.gov/datastore/library/2014/09/10/Sierra_Ambient.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum responds to inquiries that the EPA received from parties who are currently developing or reviewing applications for PSD permits under the CAA requesting that the OAR provide guidance on the applicability of PSD permitting requirements to a newly promulgated or revised NAAQS or standards.		

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6/29/10	Guidance Concerning the Implementation of the 1-hour NO ₂ NAAQS for the Prevention of Significant Deterioration Program	http://www.co.shasta.ca.us/docs/Resource_Manual/spi-feir/1_Exhibit_D.pdf?sfvrsn=0
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum clarifies the applicability of current guidance in the Guideline on Air Quality Models for modeling NO ₂ impacts in accordance with the PSD permit requirements to demonstrate compliance with the new 1-hour NO ₂ standard. This guidance includes two attached memoranda addressing both guidance for the preparation and review of PSD permits with respect to the 1-hour standard and specific modeling guidance for estimating ambient NO ₂ concentrations and determining compliance with the new 1-hour NO ₂ standard.		
11/10/10	PSD and Title V Permitting Guidance for Greenhouse Gases (Technical correction issued 3/2011)	http://www3.epa.gov/nsr/ghgdocs/ghgpermittin gguidance.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This document assists permit writers and permit applicants in addressing the prevention of significant deterioration (PSD) and title V permitting requirements for greenhouse gases (GHGs) that began to apply on January 2, 2011. This document: (1) describes, in general terms and through examples, the requirements of the PSD and title V permit regulations; (2) reiterates and emphasizes relevant past EPA guidance on the PSD and title V review processes for other regulated air pollutants; and (3) provides additional recommendations and suggested methods for meeting the permitting requirements for GHGs, which are illustrated in many cases by examples.		
3/1/11	Additional Clarification Regarding Applicability of Appendix W Modeling Guidance for the 1-hour NO ₂ NAAQS	http://www3.epa.gov/scram001/guidance/clarification/Additional_Clarifications_Appendix_W_Hourly-NO2-NAAQS_FINAL_03-01-2011.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum supplements the 6/28/10 guidance memo by providing further clarification and guidance on the application of Appendix W guidance for the 1-hour NO ₂ standard. The memo itself referenced a 6/29/10 guidance memo in error.		
4/11/11	Clarification on AERSCREEN as recommended screening model	http://www3.epa.gov/scram001/guidance/clarification/20110411_AERSCREEN_Release_Memo.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> AERSCREEN has been released and is available on the SCRAM website. AERSCREEN is based on AERMOD, EPA's preferred near-field dispersion model and replaces SCREEN3 as the recommended screening model based on the <i>Guideline on Air Quality Models</i> .		


Date	Title	File
7/21/11	Revised Policy to Address Reconsideration of Inter-pollutant Trading Provisions for Fine Particles (PM _{2.5})	http://www3.epa.gov/scram001/guidance/clarification/pm25trade.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The purpose of this memorandum is to announce a change in the policy that the EPA originally set forth in the 2008 PM _{2.5} NSR Implementations Rule (the 2008 final rule) concerning the development and adoption of interpollutant trading (offset) provisions for PM _{2.5} under state NNSR programs for PM _{2.5} .		
10/15/12	Timely Processing of Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Permits when EPA or a PSD-Delegated Air Agency Issues the Permit	http://www2.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-07/documents/timely.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum clarifies expectations and responsibilities regarding the processing of PSD permit applications when an EPA Regional Office or a PSD-delegated air agency issues the PSD permit.		
4/17/13	Minor New Source Review Program Public Notice Requirements under 40 CFR 51.161(b)(3)	http://www2.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-07/documents/pubnot.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify the Agency's position on what constitutes prominent advertisement for minor sources under our permitting regulations at 40 CFR 51.161.		
3/8/13	Use of ASOS Meteorological Data in AERMOD Dispersion Modeling	http://www3.epa.gov/scram001/guidance/clarification/20130308_Met_Data_Clarification.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The purpose of this memorandum is to provide some background information related to the transition to ASOS and to address more recent developments and potential issues associated with the use of NWS meteorological data for dispersion modeling.		

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12/9/13	Prevention of Significant Deterioration for Particulate Matter Less Than 2.5 Micrometers – Significant Impact Levels and Significant Monitoring Concentration: Removal of Vacated Elements (Final Rule - 78 FR 73698; signed 11/26/13)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-12-09/pdf/2013-29196.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> On 1/22/13, the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit (the Court) granted a request from the EPA to vacate and remand to the EPA portions of two PSD regulations, promulgated in 2010 under the authority of the CAA, regarding the SILs for PM_{2.5}. The Court further vacated the portions of the PSD regulations establishing a PM_{2.5} SMC. The EPA amended its regulations to remove the vacated PM_{2.5} SILs and SMC provisions from the PSD regulations in the CFR. This action was exempt from notice-and-comment rulemaking because it is ministerial in nature. The EPA will initiate a separate rulemaking in the future regarding the PM_{2.5} SILs that will address the Court's remand. The final rule was effective on 12/9/13.</p>		
12/16/13	AERMOD Modeling System Updates: Improvements to beta "Low wind Speed" options, updated NO ₂ tier 2 Ambient Ratio Method, added directionally varying monitored background concentrations capability, and other bug fixes.	http://www3.epa.gov/ttn/scram/models/aermod/aermod_mcb9.txt
<p><i>Abstract:</i> Model change Bulleting (MCB) #9 documents and describes changes made to the AERMOD Dispersion Model.</p>		
1/31/14	Guidance on Extension of Prevention of Significant Determination (PSD) Permits under 40 CFR 52.21(r)(2)	http://www2.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-07/documents/extend14.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify the EPA's views on what constitutes adequate justification for an extension of the 18-month timeframe for commencing construction of a source that has been granted a preconstruction permit under the PSD provisions of part C of title I of the CAA.</p>		
4/8/14	Interim Guidance on the Treatment of Condensable Particulate Matter Test Results in the Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Nonattainment New Source Review Permitting Programs	http://www3.epa.gov/ttnemc01/methods/psdnsrinterimcjmpmemo4814.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum provides interim guidance on the treatment of CPM under the EPA's NSR permit programs for PM.</p>		
4/30/14	Implementation Guidance on Annual Compliance Certification Reporting and Statement of Basis Requirements for Title V Operating Permits	http://www3.epa.gov/air/tribal/pdfs/Memo_OAR_14_000_8602_Guidance%20on%20Annual%20Compliance%20Cert.%20Reporting%20and%20Statement%20Title%20V.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum and attachments provide guidance on satisfying the CAA title V annual compliance certification reporting and statement of basis requirements. It addresses two outstanding recommendations made by the OIG in the report titled, "Substantial Changes Needed in Implementation and Oversight of Title V Permits if Program Goals are to be Fully Realized," (OIG Report No. 2005-P-00010).</p>		

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5/20/14	Guidance for PM _{2.5} Permit Modeling	http://www3.epa.gov/scram001/guidance/guide/Guidance_for_PM25_Permit_Modeling.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum and attachment, titled "Guidance for PM_{2.5} Permit Modeling," provides guidance on demonstrating compliance with PM_{2.5} NAAQS and PSD increments, especially with regard to considerations of the secondarily formed component of PM_{2.5}.</p>		
7/24/14	Next Steps and Preliminary Views on the Application of Clean Air Act Permitting Programs to Greenhouse Gases Following the Supreme Court's Decision in <i>Utility Air Regulatory Group v. Environmental Protection Agency</i>	http://www3.epa.gov/nsr/documents/20140724memo.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum provides guidance on how we interpret the <i>UARG v EPA</i> Supreme Court decision, especially with regard to the portion of the PSD and title V GHG permitting regulations that the Supreme Court determined was no longer required.</p>		
9/29/14	Amendments to Compliance Certification Content Requirements for State and Federal Operating Permits Programs (Final – 79 FR 43661; signed 7/21/14)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-07-28/pdf/2014-17680.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This final rule amends the compliance certification provisions to restore a sentence removed by error in a previous amendment. The June 27, 2003, final rule that amended the Compliance Certification Requirements language inadvertently omitted a sentence.</p>		
12/19/14	Next Steps for Addressing EPA-Issued Step 2 Prevention of Significant Deterioration Greenhouse Gas Permits and Associated Requirements	http://www3.epa.gov/nsr/ghgdocs/Step2PermitRescissionMemoFinal_12-19-14.pdf#_ga=1.59215274.68043026.1426172912
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum addresses questions from the regional office on how to proceed on PSD permits issued by the EPA under Step 2 of the Tailoring Rule after the U.S. Supreme Court decision in <i>UARG v. EPA</i> [134 S. Ct. 2427 (2014)] and other questions related to Step 2 PSD permits issued by the EPA.</p>		
12/19/14	No Action Assurance Regarding EPA-Issued Step 2 Prevention of Significant Deterioration Permits and Related Title V Requirements Following <i>Utility Air Regulatory Group v. Environmental Protection Agency</i>	http://www2.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2014-12/documents/oecanaamemo-121914.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum provided further information on how EPA intends to proceed regarding EPA-issued Step 2 PSD permits and intention to undertake a rulemaking action that will allow the agency to rescind any Step 2 PSD permits that it issued under the regulations the Supreme Court held to be invalid.</p>		

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5/7/2015	Prevention of Significant Deterioration Permitting for Greenhouse Gases; Providing Option for Rescission of EPA-Issued Tailoring Rule Step 2 Prevention of Significant Deterioration Permits (Direct Final – 80 FR 26183; Parallel Proposal – 80 FR 26210; signed 4/30/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-05-07/pdf/2015-10628.pdf http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-05-07/pdf/2015-10629.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This direct final with parallel proposal amends the federal PSD program regulations to allow for rescission of certain PSD permits issued by the EPA and delegated reviewing authorities under Step 2 of the PSD and title V Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule. No adverse comments were received on the proposal so the final becomes effective 7/6/15.</p>		
5/13/2015	Title V Permit Guidance and Template for the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule	http://www3.epa.gov/crossstaterule/pdfs/CSA PR Title V Permit Guidance.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum transmitted title V guidance, which includes a template, for the incorporation of the CSAPR applicable requirements into title V permits. Issuance of this guidance is consistent with the EPA’s statements in the CSAPR preamble to assist permitting authorities in implementing CSAPR applicable requirements.</p>		
8/19/15	Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Title V Permitting for Greenhouse Gases: Removal of Certain Vacated Elements (Final – 80 FR 50199; signed 8/12/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-19/pdf/2015-20501.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This final rule amends its PSD and title V regulations to remove from the CFR portions of those regulations that were initially promulgated in 2010 and that the D.C. Circuit specifically identified as vacated in the 4/10/15, amended judgment, <i>Coalition for Responsible Regulation v. EPA</i>.</p>		
9/18/15	Source Determination for Certain Emission Units in the Oil and Natural Gas Sector (NPRM – 80 FR 56579; signed 8/18/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-09-18/pdf/2015-21026.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This proposal is proposing to clarify the term “adjacent” in the definitions of: (1) “building, structure, facility or installation” used to determine the “stationary source” for purposes of the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) and Nonattainment New Source Review (NNSR) programs and (2) “major source” in the title V program as applied to the oil and natural gas sector.</p>		
12/29/15	Revisions to the Public Notice Provisions in Clean Air Act Permitting Programs (NPRM – 80 FR 81234; signed 12/21/15)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-12-29/pdf/2015-32639.pdf
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This proposal is proposing to revise the public notice rule provisions for the NSR, title V and OCS permit programs of the CAA and COA determinations for implementation of the OCS air quality regulations.</p>		
1/12/16	Clean Air Act Section 185 Fee Rates for Calendar Years 1990 – 2015	 CAA Section 185 Fee Rates
<p><i>Abstract:</i> This memo provides CAA section 185 penalty fee rates (\$/ton of ozone precursor emissions) for year from 1990 to 2015.</p>		

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6/3/16	Source Determination for Certain Emission Units in the Oil and Natural Gas Sector (Final – 81 FR 35622; signed 5/12/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-06-03/pdf/2016-11971.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final finalizes a revision to regulations applicable to permitting of stationary sources of air pollution under the NSR and title V programs in the CAA.		
6/14/16	Removal of Title V Emergency Affirmative Defense Provisions From State Operating Permit Programs and Federal Operating Permit Program (NPRM – 81 FR 38645; signed 6/3/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-06-14/pdf/2016-14104.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This NPRM proposes to remove the affirmative defense provisions for emergencies found in the regulations for state and federal operating permit programs.		
6/14/16	Rescission of Preconstruction Permits Issued Under the Clean Air Act (NPRM – 81 FR 38640; signed 5/27/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-06-14/pdf/2016-13303.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This NPRM proposed to revise a limitation on the rescission of stationary source preconstruction permits that is contained in the federal New Source Review (NSR) regulations.		
8/3/16	Amendments to Regional Consistency Regulations (Final – 81 FR 51102; signed 7/21/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-08-03/pdf/2016-17899.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule revises its Regional Consistency regulations to more clearly address the implications of adverse federal court decisions that result from challenges to locally or regionally applicable actions.		
8/24/16	Revisions to the Petitions Provisions of the Title V Permitting Program (NPRM – 81 FR 57822; signed 8/15/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-08-24/pdf/2016-20029.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This NPRM proposes to revise its regulations to streamline and clarify process related to submission and review of title V petitions.		
Signed 10/5/16	Revisions to the Public Notice Provisions in Clean Air Act Permitting Programs (Final – TBD; signed 10/5/16)	https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-10/documents/enotice_rule_final.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final revised the public notice rule provisions for the NSR, title V and OCS permit programs of the CAA and COA.		

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Other/Combination of Pollutants		
8/23/10	Documentation of Future Year Ozone and Annual PM _{2.5} Design Values for Monitors in Western States	 Timin Memo (2).pdf <i>Abstract:</i> The purpose of the memo is to provide projected future ozone and annual PM _{2.5} design values for monitors in the Western United States based on the air quality modeling in support of EPA's proposed CSAPR. The memo describes how the projected design values can be used to establish which monitors should be further evaluated to determine if emissions from other states will significantly contribute to nonattainment or interfere with maintenance at the sites.
12/20/11	Policy for Establishing Separate Air Quality Designations for Areas of Indian Country	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/ozonepollution/designations/2008standards/documents/20120117indiancountry.pdf <i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum provides the EPA's policy regarding designating areas of Indian country separately from adjacent areas for the NAAQS.
12/20/11	Guidance to Regions for Working with Tribes during the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) Designations Process	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/ozonepollution/designations/2008standards/documents/20120117naaqsguidance.pdf <i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum provides guidance to the EPA Regional Offices for working with federally-recognized Indian tribes regarding the CAA section 107(d) designations process for Indian country.
6/7/12	Regional Haze: Revisions to Provisions Governing Alternatives to Source-Specific Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) Determinations, Limited SIP Disapprovals, and Federal Implementation Plans	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-06-07/pdf/2012-13693.pdf <i>Abstract:</i> The EPA is finalizing revisions to our rules pertaining to the regional haze program.
10/2012	Agriculture Air Quality Conservation Measures Reference Guide for Cropping Systems and General Land Management	http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb1049502.pdf <i>Abstract:</i> The EPA and the USDA-NRCS have collaborated to develop this reference guide to provide a compilation of conservation measures for air pollutant emission reductions and/or reduction of air quality impacts from agricultural land management and cropping operations.

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4/2013	General Principles for the 5-Year Regional Haze Progress Reports for the Initial Regional Haze State Implementation Plans (Intended to Assist States and EPA Regional Offices in Development and Review of the Progress Reports)	http://www.4cleanair.org/Documents/haze_5year_4-10-13.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This document has been developed by the EPA for the EPA Regional Offices and states in preparing and reviewing the 5-year progress reports for the initial regional haze SIPs.		
5/10/13	Interim Guidance to Implement Requirements for the Treatment of Air Quality Monitoring Data Influenced by Exceptional Events	http://www.epa.gov/air-quality-analysis/interim-exceptional-events-guidance-documents
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum and its attachments clarify key provisions of the 2007 EER to respond to questions and issues that have arisen since the rule was promulgated.		
9/13/13	Guidance on Infrastructure State Implementation Plan (SIP) Elements Under CAA Sections 110(a)(1) and 110(a)(2)	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/urbanair/sipstatus/docs/Guidance_on_Infrastructure_SIP_Elements_Multipollutant_FINAL_Sept_2013.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The purpose of this memorandum is to distribute non-binding guidance from the US EPA on the requirements of certain provisions of the CAA titled, “Guidance on Infrastructure State Implementation Plan (SIP) Elements under Clean Air Act Sections 110(a)(1) and 110(a)(2).”		
12/2013	Examples of Reviewed Exceptional Events Submissions	http://www.epa.gov/air-quality-analysis/exceptional-events-submissions-table
<i>Abstract:</i> The exceptional events submission table provides examples of exceptional events submissions, or the decision documents responding to the demonstrations, for various cases of exceptional events that have been reviewed by EPA.		

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6/9/14	Withdrawal of the Prior Determination or Presumption That Compliance With the CAIR or the NO _x SIP Call Constitutes RACT or RACM for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone and 1997 Fine Particle NAAQS (Proposal – 79 FR 32892; signed 5/29/14)	https://www.cfr-ebooks.com/register/2014/jun/09/2014-13415.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The EPA is proposing to withdraw any prior determination or presumption, for the 1997 8-hour ozone NAAQS and the 1997 PM _{2.5} NAAQS, that compliance with the CAIR or the NO _x SIP Call automatically constitutes RACT or RACM for NO _x or SO ₂ emission from EGU sources participating in these regional cap-and-trade programs.		
11/19/14	Addressing Biogenic Carbon Dioxide Emissions from Stationary Sources	http://www3.epa.gov/climatechange/downloads/Biogenic-CO2-Emissions-Memo-111914.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The Agency is taking the next step in the development of ongoing technical work it has been doing in understanding the role biomass can play in reducing overall greenhouse gas emissions. The EPA has developed a second draft of the <i>Framework/or Assessing Biogenic CO₂ Emissions from Stationary Sources</i> , and is preparing to release it for further review. The EPA also anticipates near-term decision-making pertaining to biogenic CO ₂ emissions in the context of both the CPP and the PSD program. EAs you know, the EPA also anticipates near-term decision-making pertaining to biogenic CO ₂ emissions in the context of both the CPP and the PSD program. As a result, we expect that many states and stakeholders will look to the second draft of the Framework for indications of how the Agency will treat biogenic CO ₂ emissions under both the CPP and the PSD program going forward. In addition to advising you of the release of the revised Framework, this memo also describes below OAR's current thinking with respect to those two programs and their treatment of biogenic CO ₂ emissions. The EPA expects that many states and stakeholders will look to the second draft of the Framework for indications of how the Agency will treat biogenic CO ₂ emissions under both the CPP and the PSD program going forward. This memo also describes below OAR's current thinking with respect to those two programs and their treatment of biogenic CO ₂ emissions.		
12/2014	Exceptional Events Quick Reference Guide	http://www.epa.gov/air-quality-analysis/exceptional-events-requirements-reference-guide
<i>Abstract:</i> The quick reference guide table contains links to information for use in preparing exceptional events demonstrations. Each link points to a specific area in guidance documents, example approved demonstrations or other relevant tools categorized by rule element, event type and pollutant.		
2/10/15	Revisions to the Clean Air Act Section 110 Submission Requirements for State Implementation Plans and Notice of Availability of an Option for Electronic Reporting (Final – 80 FR 7336; signed 2/2/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-02-10/pdf/2015-02602.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule and notice of availability revises the requirements for how state and tribal implementation plans under the CAA are required to be submitted to the EPA.		

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6/12/15	State Implementation Plan: Response to Petition for Rulemaking Restatement and Update of EPA’s SSM Policy Applicable to SIPs; Findings of Substantial Inadequacy; and SIP Calls to Amend Provisions Applying to Excess Emissions During Periods of Startup, Shutdown and Malfunction; Final Rule (Final – 80 FR 33840; signed 5/22/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-06-12/pdf/2015-12905.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule takes action on a petition for rulemaking filed by the Sierra Club that concerns how provisions in EPA-approved SIPs treat excess emissions during SSM. Further EPA is clarifying, restating and revising its guidance concerning its interpretation of the CAA requirements with respect to treatment in SIPs of excess emissions that occur during periods of SSM.		
8/19/15	Amendments to Regional Consistency Regulations (NPRM – 80 FR 50250; signed 8/5/15)	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-19/pdf/2015-20506.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This proposal proposes to revise its Regional Consistency regulations to ensure the EPA has the flexibility necessary to implement CAA programs on a national scale while addressing court rulings that concern certain agency actions under the CAA.		
9/2015	Best Communication Practices for Preparation of Exceptional Events Demonstrations	http://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-09/documents/bestpractices-exceptionaleventdemonstrationsjuly242015.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This document summarizes the best practices for communication and collaboration between the EPA and air agencies during the identification of exceptional events and the development, submittal and review of exceptional events demonstrations.		

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10/22/15	Initial Clean Power Plan Submittals under Section 111(d) of the Clean Air Act	http://www3.epa.gov/airquality/cpptoolbox/cpp-initial-subm-memo.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This memorandum provides assistance and information to states interested in seeking an extension of time in which to develop and submit a final plan under section 111(d) of the CAA.		
11/20/15	Treatment of Data Influenced by Exceptional Events – Rule Revisions and Notice of Availability for Related Draft Guidance (NPRM – 80 FR 72840; signed 11/10/15)	http://www2.epa.gov/air-quality-analysis/proposed-exceptional-events-rule-revisions-and-draft-guidance-0
5/4/16	Protection of Visibility: Amendments to Requirements for State Plans (NPRM – 81 FR 26942; signed 4/25/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-05-04/pdf/2016-10228.pdf
7/1/16	Comment Period Extension (Notice – 81 FR 43180; signed 6/24/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-01/pdf/2016-15493.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The EPA proposed amendments to requirements under the CAA for state plans for protection of visibility in mandatory Class I federal areas (Class I areas) in order to continue steady environmental progress while addressing administrative aspects of the program. The EPA amendments would clarify the relationship between longterm strategies and reasonable progress goals in state plans, and the long-term strategy obligation of all states. The amendments would also change the way in which some days during each year are to be selected for purposes of tracking progress towards natural visibility conditions to account for events such as wildfires; change aspects of the requirements for the content of progress reports; update, simplify and extend to all states the provisions for reasonably attributable visibility impairment and revoke existing FIPs that require the EPA to assess and address any existing reasonably attributable visibility impairment situations in some states; and add a requirement for states to consult with FLMs earlier in the development of state plans. The EPA also proposes to address administrative aspects of the program by making a one-time adjustment to the due date for the next SIPs, revising the due dates for progress reports and removing the requirement for progress reports to be SIP revisions.		
7/8/16	Draft Guidance on Progress Tracking Metrics, Long-Term Strategies, Reasonable Progress Goals and Other Requirements for Regional Haze State Implementation Plans for the Second Implementation Period (NOA – 81 FR 44608; signed 6/30/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-08/pdf/2016-16131.pdf https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-07/documents/draft_regional_haze_guidance_july_2016.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> Announcement of availability of draft guidance titled, “Draft Guidance on Progress Tracking Metrics, Long-Term Strategies, Reasonable Progress Goals and Other Requirements for Regional Haze State Implementation Plans for the Second Implementation Period,” for public comment.		

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9/16/16	Guidance on the Preparation of Exceptional Events Demonstrations for Wildfire Events that May Influence Ozone Concentrations (Signed by Steve Page 9/16/16)	https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-09/documents/exceptional_events_guidance_9-16-16_final.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> The purpose of this guidance is to assist air agencies preparing exceptional events demonstrations for wildfire influences on ozone concentrations that meet the requirements of CAA section 319(b) and the Exceptional Events Rule published on 10/3/16.		
10/3/16	Treatment of Data Influenced in Exceptional Events (Final – 81 FR 68216; signed 9/16/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-10-03/pdf/2016-22983.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule revises certain sections within the regulations that govern the exclusion of event-influenced air quality data from certain regulatory decisions under the CAA.		
10/3/16	Cross-State Air Pollution Rule Update for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS (Final – 81 FR68110; signed 9/7/16)	https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-10-03/pdf/2016-21475.pdf
<i>Abstract:</i> This final rule finalizes Cross-State Air Pollution Rule Update (CSAPR Update) to address interstate transport of ozone pollution with respect to the 2008 ozone NAAQS. This final rule will benefit human health and welfare by reducing ground-level ozone pollution. It will reduce ozone season emissions of NOx in 22 eastern states that be transported downwind as NOx or, after transformation in the atmosphere, as ozone, and can negatively affect air quality and public health in downwind areas.		