

EPA's disapproval of the state request under section 110 and subchapter I, part D of the Clean Air Act does not affect any existing requirements applicable to small entities. Any pre-existing federal requirements remain in place after this disapproval. Federal disapproval of the state submittal does not affect state enforceability. Moreover, EPA's disapproval of the submittal does not impose any new Federal requirements. Therefore, I certify that this action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Moreover, due to the nature of the Federal-State relationship under the Clean Air Act, preparation of flexibility analysis would constitute Federal inquiry into the economic reasonableness of state action. The Clean Air Act forbids EPA to base its actions concerning SIPs on such grounds. *Union Electric Co. v. U.S. EPA*, 427 U.S. 246, 255–66 (1976); 42 U.S.C. 7410(a)(2).

G. Unfunded Mandates

Under section 202 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 ("Unfunded Mandates Act"), signed into law on March 22, 1995, EPA must prepare a budgetary impact statement to accompany any proposed or final rule that includes a Federal mandate that may result in estimated costs to State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate; or to private sector, of \$100 million or more. Under section 205, EPA must select the most cost-effective and least burdensome alternative that achieves the objectives of the rule and is consistent with statutory requirements. Section 203 requires EPA to establish a plan for informing and advising any small governments that may be significantly or uniquely impacted by the rule.

EPA has determined that the approval action promulgated does not include a Federal mandate that may result in estimated costs of \$100 million or more to either State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate, or to the private sector. This Federal action acts on pre-existing requirements under State or local law, and imposes no new requirements. Accordingly, no additional costs to State, local, or tribal governments, or to the private sector, result from this action.

H. National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act

Section 12 of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTAA) of 1995 requires Federal agencies to evaluate existing technical standards when developing a new

regulation. To comply with NTTAA, EPA must consider and use "voluntary consensus standards" (VCS) if available and applicable when developing programs and policies unless doing so would be inconsistent with applicable law or otherwise impractical.

EPA believes that VCS are inapplicable to today's action because it does not require the public to perform activities conducive to the use of VCS.

I. Submission to Congress and the Comptroller General

The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. EPA will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. A major rule cannot take effect until 60 days after it is published in the **Federal Register**. This rule is not a "major" rule as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

J. Petitions for Judicial Review

Under section 307(b)(1) of the Clean Air Act, petitions for judicial review of this action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit by November 12, 2002. Filing a petition for reconsideration by the Administrator of this final rule does not affect the finality of this rule for the purposes of judicial review nor does it extend the time within which a petition for judicial review may be filed, and shall not postpone the effectiveness of such rule or action. This action may not be challenged later in proceedings to enforce its requirements. (See section 307(b)(2).)

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Hydrocarbons, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Volatile organic compounds.

Dated: August 5, 2002.

Laura Yoshii,

Deputy Regional Administrator, Region IX.

Part 52, Chapter I, Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 52—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 52 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Subpart F—California

2. Section 52.220 is amended by adding paragraphs (c)(284)(i)(B)(6) to read as follows:

§ 52.220 Identification of plan.

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(6) Rule 1132, adopted on January 19, 2001.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[CA 270–0366a; FRL–7272–4]

Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, El Dorado County Air Pollution Control District

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is taking direct final action to approve revisions to the El Dorado County Air Pollution Control District (EDCAPD) portion of the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). These revisions concern Oxides of Nitrogen (NO_x) emissions from stationary internal combustion (IC) engines rated at more than 50 brake horsepower (bhp). We are approving a local rule that regulates these emission sources under the Clean Air Act as amended in 1990 (CAA or the Act).

DATES: This rule is effective on November 12, 2002, without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse comments by October 15, 2002. If we receive such comment, we will publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register** to notify the public that this rule will not take effect.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments to Andy Steckel, Rulemaking Office Chief (AIR–4), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105–3901.

You can inspect copies of the submitted SIP revisions and EPA's technical support document (TSD) at our Region IX office during normal

business hours. You may also see copies of the submitted SIP revisions at the following locations:

Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Room B-102, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW., (Mail Code 6102T), Washington, DC 20460.

California Air Resources Board, Stationary Source Division, Rule Evaluation Section, 1001 "I" Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

El Dorado County Air Pollution Control District, 2850 Fairlane Court, Building C, Placerville, CA 95667.

A copy of the rule may also be available via the Internet at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/drdb/drdbtxt.htm>.

Please be advised that this is not an EPA website and may not contain the same version of the rule that was submitted to EPA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Charnjit Bhullar, EPA Region IX, (415) 972-3960.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Throughout this document, "we," "us" and "our" refer to EPA.

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I. The State's Submittal

A. What Rule Did the State Submit?

Table 1 lists the rule we are approving with the dates that it was adopted by the local air agency and submitted by the California Air Resources Board (CARB).

TABLE 1.—SUBMITTED RULES

Local agency	Rule No.	Rule title	Adopted	Submitted
EDCAPCD	233	Stationary Internal Combustion Engines	6/11/02	7/02/02

On August 5, 2002, this rule submittal was found to meet the completeness criteria in 40 CFR part 51, appendix V, which must be met before formal EPA review.

B. Are There Other Versions of This Rule?

EDCAPCD adopted an earlier version of this rule on September 25, 2001, and CARB submitted it to us on November 9, 2001. We published an interim final determination and proposed conditional approval of this previous version of Rule 233 into the SIP on February 21, 2002.

C. What Is the Purpose of the Submitted Rule?

Rule 233 sets limits for NO_x and carbon monoxide (CO) emissions from stationary IC engines rated at more than 50 bhp. EPA published a conditional approval on February 21, 2002 because, through administrative error, the previous version of rule 233 did not clearly require emission testing for all engines. The TSD has more information about this rule.

II. EPA's Evaluation and Action

A. How Is EPA Evaluating This Rule?

Generally, SIP rules must be enforceable (see section 110(a) of the Act), must require Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for major sources in nonattainment areas (see sections 182(a)(2)(A) and 182(f)), and must not relax existing requirements (see sections 110(l) and 193). The EDCAPCD regulates an ozone nonattainment area (see 40 CFR part 81), so Rule 233 must fulfill RACT.

Guidance and policy documents that we used to help evaluate enforceability and RACT requirements consistently include the following:

1. Issues Relating to VOC Regulation Cut points, Deficiencies, and Deviations (the Blue Book), U.S. EPA, May 25, 1988.
2. "Guidance Document for Correcting Common VOC & Other Rule Deficiencies," EPA Region 9, August 21, 2001 (the Little Bluebook).
3. State Implementation Plans; Nitrogen Oxides Supplement to the General Preamble for the Implementation of Title I of the Clean Air Act Amendment of 1990 (the "NO_x Supplement to the General Preamble"), U.S. EPA, 57 FR 55620, Nov. 25, 1992.
4. State Implementation Plans for National Primary and Secondary Ambient Air Quality Standards, Section 110 of the Clean Air Act (CAA), and Plan Requirements for Nonattainment Areas, Title I, Part D of the CAA.
5. Requirement for Preparation, Adoption, and Submittal of Implementation Plans, U.S. EPA, 40 CFR Part 51.
6. Alternative Control Techniques (ACT) Document—NO_x Emission from Stationary Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (EPA-453/R-93-032).
7. Determination of Reasonably Available Control Technology and Best Available Retrofit Control Technology for Stationary Internal Combustion Engines, State of California Air Resources Board, November 2001.

B. Does the Rule Meet the Evaluation Criteria?

We believe this rule is consistent with the relevant policy and guidance regarding enforceability, RACT, and SIP relaxations. In particular, this rule corrects the deficiency identified in our February 20, 2002 proposed conditional approval. The TSD has more information on our evaluation.

C. Public Comment and Final Action

As authorized in section 110(k)(3) of the Act, EPA is fully approving the submitted rule because we believe it fulfills all relevant requirements. We do not think anyone will object to this approval, so we are finalizing it without proposing it in advance. However, in the Proposed Rules section of this **Federal Register**, we are simultaneously proposing approval of the same submitted rule. If we receive adverse comments by October 15, 2002, we will publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register** to notify the public that the direct final approval will not take effect and we will address the comments in a subsequent final action based on the proposal. If we do not receive timely adverse comments, the direct final approval will be effective without further notice on November 12, 2002. This will incorporate this rule into the federally enforceable SIP.

III. Background Information

Why Was This Rule Submitted?

NO_x helps produce ground-level ozone, smog and particulate matter, which harm human health and the environment. Section 110(a) of the CAA requires states to submit regulations that

control NO_x emissions. Table 2 lists some of the national milestones leading to the submittal of this local agency NO_x rule.

TABLE 2.—OZONE NONATTAINMENT MILESTONES

Date	Event
March 3, 1978	EPA promulgated a list of ozone nonattainment areas under the Clean Air Act as amended in 1977. 43 FR 8964; 40 CFR 81.305.
May 26, 1988	EPA notified Governors that parts of their SIPs were inadequate to attain and maintain the ozone standard and requested that they correct the deficiencies (EPA's SIP-Call). See section 110(a)(2)(H) of the pre-amended Act.
November 15, 1990	Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 were enacted. Pub. L. 101–549, 104 Stat. 2399, codified at 42 U.S.C. 7401–7671q.
May 15, 1991	Section 182(a)(2)(A) requires that ozone nonattainment areas correct deficient RACT rules by this date.

IV. Administrative Requirements

Under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993), this action is not a “significant regulatory action” and therefore is not subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget. For this reason, this action is also not subject to Executive Order 13211, “Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use” (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001). This action merely approves state law as meeting federal requirements and imposes no additional requirements beyond those imposed by state law. Accordingly, the Administrator certifies that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*). Because this rule approves pre-existing requirements under state law and does not impose any additional enforceable duty beyond that required by state law, it does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Public Law 104–4).

This rule also does not have tribal implications because it will not have a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000). This action also does not have Federalism implications because it does not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government, as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999). This action merely approves a state rule implementing a

Federal standard, and does not alter the relationship or the distribution of power and responsibilities established in the Clean Air Act. This rule also is not subject to Executive Order 13045, “Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks” (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997), because it is not economically significant.

In reviewing SIP submissions, EPA's role is to approve state choices, provided that they meet the criteria of the Clean Air Act. In this context, in the absence of a prior existing requirement for the State to use voluntary consensus standards (VCS), EPA has no authority to disapprove a SIP submission for failure to use VCS. It would thus be inconsistent with applicable law for EPA, when it reviews a SIP submission, to use VCS in place of a SIP submission that otherwise satisfies the provisions of the Clean Air Act. Thus, the requirements of section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 *note*) do not apply. This rule does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. EPA will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. A major rule cannot take effect until 60 days after it is published in the **Federal Register**.

This action is not a “major rule” as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

Under section 307(b)(1) of the Clean Air Act, petitions for judicial review of this action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit by November 12, 2002. Filing a petition for reconsideration by the Administrator of this final rule does not affect the finality of this rule for the purposes of judicial review nor does it extend the time within which a petition for judicial review may be filed, and shall not postpone the effectiveness of such rule or action. This action may not be challenged later in proceedings to enforce its requirements. (See section 307(b)(2).)

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: August 20, 2002.

Keith Takata,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region IX.

Part 52, chapter I, title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 52—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 52 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Subpart F—California

2. Section 52.220 is amended by adding paragraph (c)(299) to read as follows:

§ 52.220 Identification of plan.

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(299) Amended regulation for the following APCD was submitted on July 2, 2002, by the Governor's designee.

(i) Incorporation by reference.

(A) El Dorado County Air Pollution Control District.

(1) Rule 233, adopted on October 18, 1994, and amended on June 11, 2002.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

41 CFR Parts 300-3, 301-1, 301-10, 301-11, 301-12, 301-30, 301-31, 301-50, 301-51, 301-52, 301-70, 301-71, 301-72, 301-73, 301-74, 301-75, 302-1, 302-2, 302-3, 302-4, 302-5, 302-7 and 302-16

[FTR Amendment 108]

RIN 3090-AH61

Federal Travel Regulation (FTR); Corrections and Additions

AGENCY: Office of Governmentwide Policy, GSA.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This final rule amends the Federal Travel Regulation (FTR) by clarifying various provisions regarding temporary duty (TDY) travel and relocation allowances and makes certain grammatical corrections where applicable.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This final rule is effective September 13, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Harte, Program Analyst, Office of Transportation and Personal Property at (202) 501-0483. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat, Room 4035, GS Bldg., 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405, 202-208-7312.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

This final rule amends the FTR as follows:

- Corrects inaccurate citations and grammatical inaccuracies.
- Section 300-3.1(v) clarifies the definition of household goods relating to the shipment of boats, removes the 14-foot restriction and allows for a boat (mounted or unmounted on a trailer) of reasonable size that can fit into a van to be included in household goods, and adds a definition for the term "weight additive".
- Section 300-3.1 adds a definition for the United States.
- Section 301-10.107 clarifies when the use of a non-contract city-pair fare may be used and that employees of the

District of Columbia are not entitled to use the contract city-pair fares.

- Section 301-10.124 clarifies that the 14-hour rule for determining when premium class other than first class may be authorized includes change of planes and any en-route stopovers.

- Section 301-10.164 clarifies and permits the use of Amtrak Acela and Metroliner train service and permits the use of business class on Acela and Metroliner train service.

- Section 301-11.11 question and answer revised to require that lodging reservations be made through agencies Travel Management System (TMS).

- Clarifies that lodging taxes in foreign areas (Section 301-11.27) and laundry and dry cleaning expenses (Section 301-11.31) for travel in foreign and non-foreign areas remain part of the per diem rates established by the Department of State and Department of Defense, respectively, and are not considered a separate reimbursable expense for travel to foreign and non-foreign areas.

- Adds new section 301-11.32 allowing for the payment of a lodging expense prior to completion of travel when advance payment is necessary to reserve a room.

- Section 301-12.1 clarifies that energy surcharges and lodging resort fees (when not optional) are considered reimbursable as a miscellaneous travel expense.

- Section 301-50.3 provides that when selecting lodging facilities that first consideration must be given to lodging facilities contracted by GSA under the Federal Premier Lodging Program (FPLP).

- Section 301-51.2 exempts employees who travel 5 times or less a year from the mandatory use of the Government travel charge card, with agency discretion to issue cards to such employees.

- Section 301-52.4 requires that receipts must be retained for 6 years and 3 months.

- Section 301-70.707 provides guidance on what agencies can do to reduce travel charge delinquencies.

- Section 301-73.103 clarifies that a traveler may make lodging accommodations directly with a property for (a) attendance at a conference where a block of rooms has been set aside, and (b) lodging is required outside the continental United States.

- Section 301-74.17 removes the mandatory requirement to contact GSA to obtain meeting or conference space in the District of Columbia.

- Section 302-1.1 clarifies that relocation expenses are allowable for an

employee who has completed a prescribed tour of duty and is returning to the place of actual residence for separation from Government service or for reassignment to the same or different Government agency.

- Section 302-3.1 clarifies that the Relocation Income Tax Allowance is not authorized for new appointees by deleting that allowance from the appropriate tables.

- Section 302-5.13 clarifies that the applicable per diem rate for an authorized househunting trip is the locality rate.

- Section 302-7.20 clarifies that when a shipment of household goods (HHG) includes an item (e.g. boat or trailer of reasonable size) for which the HHG carrier assesses a weight additive, and the shipment exceeds the maximum weight allowance, the employee is responsible for all excess charges and any special packing, crating and handling of the weight additive item.

- Section 302-7.200 clarifies that when an employee's HHG is shipped by the Government on a Bill of Lading or other shipping document, the Government is responsible for paying the carrier for that shipment even if the shipment exceeds the 18,000 maximum weight allowance. In such a situation the employee is indebted to the Government and must reimburse the agency for the excess charges involved.

- Section 302-16.1 clarifies that the transportation of cats, dogs and other house pets are included under the Miscellaneous Expense Allowance.

B. Executive Order 12866

The General Services Administration (GSA) has determined that this final rule is not a significant regulatory action for the purposes of Executive Order 12866 of September 30, 1993.

C. Regulatory Flexibility Act

This final rule is not required to be published in the **Federal Register** for notice and comment; therefore, the Regulatory Flexibility Act does not apply.

D. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the final rule does not impose recordkeeping or information collection requirements, or the collection of information from offerors, contractors, or members of the public which require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 501 *et seq.*