

comment period be extended for an additional 60 days. Since EPA now intends to hold a hearing and to accept comments until March 12, we believe that this 60-day reopening of the comment period is sufficient to enable interested members of the public to further evaluate the proposed rule as well as any comments received at the public hearing.

The proposed rule is available electronically on the Internet at the web address shown above. The proposed rule and supporting materials are also available for viewing in the Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, located at 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., (Ariel Rios Building), 2nd Floor, Room 2213, Washington, DC 20460. The documents are available for viewing from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays. To review docket materials, it is recommended that the public make an appointment by calling (202) 564-2614 or (202) 564-2119.

Dated: January 25, 2002.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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[MD001-1000; FRL-7136-1]

Approval of Section 112(I) Authority for Hazardous Air Pollutants; State of Maryland; Department of the Environment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve Maryland Department of the Environment's (MDE's) request for delegation of authority to implement and enforce its hazardous air pollutant regulations for perchloroethylene dry-cleaning facilities, hard and decorative chromium electroplating and chromium anodizing tanks, ethylene oxide sterilization facilities, halogenated solvent cleaning, secondary lead smelting, hazardous waste combustors, and portland cement manufacturing which have been adopted by reference from the Federal requirements set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations. This proposed approval will automatically delegate future amendments to these regulations once MDE incorporates these amendments into its regulations.

In addition, EPA is proposing to approve of MDE's mechanism for receiving delegation of future hazardous air pollutant regulations. This mechanism entails MDE's incorporation by reference of the unchanged Federal standard into its hazardous air pollutant regulation and MDE's notification to EPA of such incorporation. This action pertains only to affected sources, as defined by the Clean Air Act hazardous air pollutant program, which are not located at major sources, as defined by the Clean Air Act operating permit program. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's request for delegation of authority as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before March 1, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on this action should be sent concurrently to: Makeba A. Morris, Chief, Permits and Technical Assessment Branch, Mail Code 3AP11, Air Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029, and Anne Marie DeBiase, Director, Air and Radiation Management Administration, Maryland Department of the Environment, 2500 Broening Highway, Baltimore, MD 21224. Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Air Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103 and the Maryland Department of the Environment, 2500 Broening Highway, Baltimore, MD 21224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dianne J. McNally, 215-814-3297, at the EPA Region III address above, or by e-mail at mcnally.dianne@epa.gov. Please note that any formal comments must be submitted, in writing, as provided in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For further information on this action,

pertaining to approval of MDE's delegation of authority for the hazardous air pollutant emission standards for perchloroethylene dry-cleaning facilities, hard and decorative chromium electroplating and chromium anodizing tanks, ethylene oxide sterilization facilities, halogenated solvent cleaning, secondary lead smelting, hazardous waste combustors, and portland cement manufacturing (Clean Air Act section 112), please see the information provided in the direct final action, with the same title, that is located in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register** publication.

Dated: January 22, 2002.

Judith M. Katz,

Director, Air Protection Division, Region III.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 63

[PA001-1002; FRL-7135-4]

Approval of Section 112(I) Authority for Hazardous Air Pollutants and the Chemical Accident Prevention Provisions; Allegheny County; Health Department

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve Allegheny County Health Department's (ACHD's) request for delegation of authority to implement and enforce its hazardous air pollutant and accidental release prevention regulations which have been adopted by reference from the Federal requirements set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations. This proposed approval will automatically delegate future amendments to these regulations. For sources which are required to obtain a Clean Air Act operating permit, this proposed delegation addresses all existing hazardous air pollutant regulations. For sources which are not required to obtain a Clean Air Act operating permit, this proposed delegation presently addresses the hazardous air pollutant regulations for perchloroethylene drycleaning facilities, hard and decorative chromium electroplating and chromium anodizing tanks, ethylene oxide sterilization facilities, halogenated solvent cleaning, secondary lead smelting, hazardous waste combustors, portland cement manufacturing, and