

**MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 27, 2024, the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality (Commission) voted to amend the State of Mississippi's "Air Emissions Operating Permit Regulations for the Purposes of Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act," 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, Ch. 6. ("Chapter 6"). The action is reflected in Commission Order 7337-24.

I. Substance of the aforementioned action.

The amendments to Chapter 6 incorporate recent Federal rulemakings for consistency with our state regulations plus miscellaneous changes for clarity and consistency. The proposed changes include the following:

- a. Revisions to Public Participation Provisions. For each permit subject to notice under the New Source Review (NSR) or Title V permit programs, these revisions remove the mandatory requirement to provide public notice of a draft permit through publication in a newspaper and, instead, allow for electronic notice of permitting actions sufficiently via the MDEQ website.
- b. Revisions to the Title V Petition Process: New language will broaden the entities MDEQ must transmit copies of petitions, responses, and other information to, and require how copies are saved.
- c. Defining Key Terms Pertaining to "Oil and Natural Gas Sources" in SIC major group 13. This will clarify the term "adjacent" when used in determining the Title V status of a facility.
- d. Removal of the Title V Emergency Affirmative Defense Provisions.
- e. Miscellaneous Changes to Nomenclature and Formatting to Add Clarity and Consistency

II. Manner by Which the Public May Comment.

In accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-41, within thirty (30) days of the date of the Order, any interested person may request that a hearing be conducted regarding the issuance of this Order. Such a request must be made either in writing to the attention of Mr. Chris Wells, Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 2261, Jackson, Mississippi 39225 or emailed to cwells@mdeq.ms.gov.

III. Additional Information.

The information in this notice, the regulations, the technical support document, the Order reflecting the Commission's action, and additional information may be found at the following website, www.mdeq.ms.gov/air. If you have any questions, you may also contact Mr. Jaricus Whitlock at (601) 961-5303 or jwhitlock@mdeq.ms.gov. Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons whom you know will be interested.