



DNREC - AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

REGULATION 24 “CONTROL OF VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND EMISSIONS”

REGULATORY WORKGROUP MEETING

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Air Quality Management Section is proposing to amend Regulation 24 by adding a new section that will require the control volatile organic compounds (VOCs) emissions from lightering operations. Lightering is the transfer of cargo (usually crude oil) from ocean going vessels to service barges, thereby decreasing the draft of the ocean going vessel and allowing them to proceed up the Delaware River. A workgroup representing the regulated community, industry interests, U.S. Coast Guard, public health interests, natural resource interests and DNREC has been established. The primary objectives of this workgroup are to ensure that the regulatory requirements 1) do not jeopardize the safety of a vessel, its passengers and its crew and 2) are clear, correct and adequate to make the needed VOC emission reduction enforceable by the State of Delaware. The workgroup will hold a series of meetings to review draft language of a regulatory action proposed under Start Action Notice 2000-23. The meeting time, location and agenda for the next meeting follow.

Workgroup Meeting

Friday, February 25, 2005 9:00AM - 12:30PM
Grass Dale Center
Polktown Place
Delaware City, DE

Agenda

- Continue discussing various changes that have occurred since the 2001 Workgroup Meetings
- Overview of the latest draft regulatory language
 - Applicability
 - Definitions
 - Standards
 - Compliance Schedule
 - Construction and Operating Permits
 - Compliance Demonstration
 - Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements

For additional information on the meeting and draft regulation, contact Jim Snead in New Castle at (302) 323-4542.