



DNREC - AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

REGULATION 24 "CONTROL OF VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND EMISSIONS"

REGULATORY SUBGROUP 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 and ships, 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 and personnel and 2) are clear, correct and adequate to make the needed VOC emission reduction enforceable by the State of Delaware. The workgroup is holding a series of meetings to review draft language of a regulatory action proposed under Start Action Notice 2000-23. A subgroup from the larger regulatory workgroup has been revising the originally proposed regulatory language. The next subgroup meeting time, location and agenda are as follows.

Subgroup Meeting

Monday, March 13, 2006, 9:00 – 11:30AM
DNREC - Air Quality Management
715 Grantham Lane
New Castle, DE

Agenda

The subgroup will review the draft regulatory language revisions following 2/13/06 Subgroup Meeting

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