

attached by some additional means (such as with an epoxy glue) in such a manner that removal of the plate would normally cause some scarring of or damage to the surrounding hull area. A hull identification number must not be attached to parts of the boat that are removable.

(f) The characters of each hull identification number must be no less than one-fourth of an inch in height.

8. Section § 181.31 is revised to read as follows:

§ 181.31 Assignment of manufacturer identification code.

(a) To obtain the manufacturer identification code required by § 181.25(a)(2), each manufacturer, other than an importer, required under § 181.23(a) to identify a boat shall submit a written request to the U.S. Coast Guard Recreational Boating Product Assurance Branch, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The request must indicate the manufacturer's name and U.S. address along with the general types and lengths of boats that will be manufactured. The request must also include a copy of the manufacturer's State business license or seller's permit.

(b) To obtain the manufacturer identification code required by § 181.25(a)(2), each importer required under § 181.23(a) to identify a boat shall submit a written request for a manufacturer identification code as required by paragraph (a) of this section. The request must indicate the importer's name and U.S. address along with a list of the manufacturers and their addresses, and the general types and lengths, of boats that will be imported. The request must also include a copy of the importer's State business license or seller's permit.

(c) The Coast Guard has assigned manufacturer identification codes to issuing authorities in the States for the assignment of hull identification numbers to persons who are required to identify boats under § 181.23(b).

(d) The Coast Guard may refuse to issue a manufacturer identification code and may revoke a previously issued code.

9. Section 181.35 is revised to read as follows:

§ 181.35 Removal of hull identification number.

No person may remove or alter a hull identification number without the written permission of the Commandant of the Coast Guard.

Dated: February 14, 1997.

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Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Assistant Commandant for Operations.

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National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter: Proposed Appendix L Rule

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Supplemental Information.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that EPA is considering minor technical changes to the proposed Federal Reference Method (FRM) for PM_{2.5} sampling published on December 13, 1996. The nature of these changes include improvements in the inlet assembly to prevent precipitation inside the inlet and reduce solar heating, and other miscellaneous modifications to provide more reliable sampling capability. There may be unanticipated modifications, which will be described in the docket and elsewhere. A description of these changes will be placed in Docket No. A-95-54 and, when available posted on EPA's Technical Transfer Network/Bulletin Board System (TTN/BBS). If EPA concludes that it is necessary to evaluate additional changes, these will be placed in the docket at a later date. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions regarding the FRM, contact Neil H. Frank at (919) 541-5560. For general questions regarding the NAAQS contact Patrica Koman at (919) 431-5170.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Docket. Docket No. A-95-54, containing supporting information used in developing the aforementioned changes in the FRM hardware and/or method is available for public inspection and copying between 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. on weekdays, at the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying.

Documents Available Electronically. An electronic version of this action as well as the December 13, 1996 Federal

Register proposal notice will be available for download from EPA's TTN/BBS. The service is free, except for the cost of a telephone call. Dial (919) 541-5742 for data transfer of up to 14,400 bits per second. This information is available from both the Clean Air Act Amendments (CAAA) technical area and the Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center (AMTIC) technical area. The TTN is also available via the Internet, TTN 2000 CAAA Internet Web site at www address (<http://134.67.104.12/html/caaa/caaa.html#CAAM>) and the AMTIC at www address (134.67.104.12/html/amtic/amtic.html#AMOI). For more information on the TTN, contact the systems operator at (919) 541-5384.

Dated: February 14, 1997.

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Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.

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National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Petroleum Refineries

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This action proposes to expand and clarify definitions in the "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Petroleum Refineries", which was issued as a final rule on August 18, 1995. Because the revisions add and clarify definitions, the EPA does not anticipate receiving adverse comments. Consequently the revisions are also being issued as a direct final rule in the final rules section of this Federal Register. If no significant adverse comments are timely received, no further action will be taken with respect to this proposal and the direct final rule will become final on the date provided in that action.

DATES: Comments. Comments must be received on or before March 24, 1997 unless a hearing is required by March 10, 1997. If a hearing is requested, written comments must be received by April 22, 1997. If a hearing is held, it will take place on March 24, 1997 beginning at 10 a.m.

ADDRESSES: Comments. Comments should be submitted (in duplicate, if possible) to: Air and Radiation Docket

Reference to (02/21/97) published FR Proposed Rules; **Notice of Availability**

EPA/NERL is considering the following changes to the designs presented in the December 13, 1996 draft of 40CFR50, Appendix L:

1. The mesh size of the filter backing screen described in Figure L-28 may be reduced in order to obtain a more homogeneous sample on the filter.
2. The top of the 10-micron inlet assembly described in Figure L-2 may be modified in order to prevent precipitation from entering the inlet.
3. The inlet assembly described in Figure L-2 may be modified in order to prevent solar heating of the assembly.
4. NERL may make other changes or refinements based on the results of its ongoing laboratory and field tests of prototype Federal Reference Method samplers.

When the specific details of each of these changes become available, they will be forwarded to EPA/OAQPS.