

OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
Notice of Opportunity for Public Hearing and Comment
Oklahoma's Section 110 Infrastructure SIP Certification – Element 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I)

2012 Primary PM_{2.5} NAAQS “Good Neighbor Provisions”

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) hereby announces an opportunity to comment on and request a public hearing on the proposed certification that Oklahoma has adequate resources and authority to implement, maintain, and enforce the requirements of § 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I) of the federal Clean Air Act (CAA) for the 2012 Primary Fine Particulate Matter (PM_{2.5}) National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS). The hearing, if one is requested, will be held on Friday, December 9, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the 1st Floor Multipurpose Room of the DEQ, 707 North Robinson Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73102. **NOTE:** If no request for a public hearing is received by 10:00 a.m., Monday, December 5, 2016 (the end of the minimum 30-day notice period), the hearing will be cancelled, and a notice announcing that the hearing has been cancelled will be posted on the DEQ web site (<http://www.deq.state.ok.us/aqdnew/RulesAndPlanning/index.htm>) at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled time for the hearing. You may call (405) 702-4100 to find out if the hearing has been cancelled.

Under the Oklahoma Clean Air Act (27A O.S. §§ 2-5-101 thru -117), DEQ is given the primary responsibility and authority to prepare and implement Oklahoma's air quality management plan, compiled in 40 CFR Part 52, Subpart LL. In June 2016, Oklahoma submitted a certification to comply with the requirements contained in Section 110 of the CAA and 40 CFR Part 51, Requirements for Preparation, Adoption, and Submittal of Implementation Plans. This certification was prepared and submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under EPA's "[Guidance on Infrastructure State Implementation Plan \(SIP\) Elements under Clean Air Act Sections 110\(a\)\(1\) and 110\(a\)\(2\)](#)," issued September 13, 2013. However, this Guidance explicitly did not address the requirements of § 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I) – the infrastructure element that concerns interstate pollutant transport affecting attainment and maintenance of the NAAQS (commonly referred to as the “good neighbor provision”). Therefore, Oklahoma's June 2016 I-SIP submittal included a description of DEQ's transport-related infrastructure, but did not assert that Oklahoma meets all requirements of § 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I). The DEQ has now prepared the proposed certification that Oklahoma's SIP meets the infrastructure obligations, including all requirements of § 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I), for the 2012 Primary PM_{2.5} NAAQS. This certification was prepared based on an analysis of a memo from Stephen D. Page, Director, EPA's OAQPS, to Regional Air Division Directors, Regions I-X, entitled “Information on the Interstate Transport ‘Good Neighbor’ Provision for the 2012 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards under Clean Air Act § 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I),” issued March 17, 2016 (“[March 2016 Good Neighbor Memo](#)”).

All persons interested in these matters are invited to submit written comments prior to the scheduled close of the public hearing (*i.e.*, 12:00 p.m. on Friday, December 9, 2016) and/or provide oral comments at the public hearing (if a hearing is requested and held). Persons planning to comment at the hearing may submit a written statement and/or additional information relevant to this matter for inclusion in the record of proceedings of the public hearing. The hearing officer may limit the length of oral presentations to allow all those who wish to provide oral comments an opportunity to do so.

The proposed certification is available on the DEQ web site at <http://www.deq.state.ok.us/aqdnew/RulesAndPlanning/index.htm>. Copies may also be obtained from the Department by contacting Melanie Foster, Environmental Programs Manager, at (405) 702-4100 or Melanie.Foster@deq.ok.gov.

Written comments and/or a public hearing request regarding the proposed 2012 Primary PM_{2.5} NAAQS Section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)(I) Infrastructure SIP Certification should be emailed to

AQDSIPComments@deq.ok.gov or mailed to:

Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division
P.O. Box 1677
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73101-1677
ATTN: Melanie Foster

Comments may be submitted by fax to the Air Quality Division, ATTN: Melanie Foster, at (405) 702-4101.

Should you desire to attend the public hearing but have a disability and need an accommodation, please notify the Air Quality Division three (3) days in advance at (405) 702-4172. For the hearing impaired, the TDD relay number is 1-800-522-8506 or 1-800-722-0353, for TDD machine use only.