

Technical-Air Subcommittee Conference Call Minutes – December 20, 2011

Attending

Reg 1: Sara Johnson – NH

Reg 3: Susan Foster – PA

Reg 4: Tony Pendola – NC, Linda Sadler – TN

Reg 5: Rick Carleski – OH; Erin Conley – IL; Renee Bashel and Beth Goldowitz – WI

Reg 7: Lucy Thompson – MO; Dan Nickey – IA; Barb Johnson – KS

SmallBiz Environmental Home Page: Audrey Graylin Zelanko

Notes

1. Rule Updates

- a. Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers and Process Heaters (6J) area source rule –
 - On Dec. 2, EPA issued proposed reconsiderations for rules to reduce emissions of air pollutants from existing and new Boilers at major and area source facilities, and from Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incinerators (CISWI); Renee sent a summary to the technical-air subcommittee on Dec. 14.
 - The signed proposed rules do not appear to have come out in the Federal Register yet (usually occurs two weeks after signing). The Combustion Portal (www.combustionportal.org/) doesn't show publication in the Federal Register yet.
 - A fact sheet exists that Susan has read.
 - Originally there was a March 21 deadline that would be moved to a year later. However, if the proposed rule doesn't pass before March 21, then will affected sources need to be in compliance? Small businesses should know what EPA is thinking. Tony has updated his website and added, "EPA is likely to delay this."
 - Sara wants to issue press release and Renee sent post cards to let affected sources of the March 21 compliance deadline. Would like to know soon whether affected sources should be re-notified. The general consensus is to sit and wait. If someone does outreach, please share with the rest of the subcommittee.
 - Discussion on providing comments on the proposed regulation will be tabled until the January call. Whoever sees that the proposed rules are published, let the technical-air subcommittee know!
 - Sara has a meeting tomorrow (Wed) and will let us know, if possible, the latest news from EPA on this rule.

2. Upcoming Webinars

- a. Webinars scheduled for FY2012 – an email from Jan King was forwarded to the technical-air subcommittee on 12-8-11
- b. RICE Jan 11 and Jan 18 – Sara will send us link (<http://www.epa.gov/region1/rice/>)
- c. Linda reported the Food Processing Environmental Assistance Center (FPEAC) has some upcoming webinars. Details are available at www.fpeac.org.

3. 2011 National SBEAP Conference –

- a. Erin reported conference will be held at the Sheraton Crystal City, May 8-10, \$224/night. It's along the Metro and has an airport shuttle.
- b. May 9 will have an air focus. Ideas for the technical-air subcommittee training (1 hr and 45 min) include the following:
 - Boiler – EPA speaker & panel discussion
 - RICE rule – EPA speaker & panel discussion
 - Rule update
- c. Ideas for the technical-air subcommittee meeting (1 hr) include the following (possibly done in a roundtable method):
 - Tips on reading regs
 - Favorite resources – send to Audrey, specific links
 - Regulations.gov – how to find stuff
 - Epa.gov/combustion- boiler page
 - Overview of changes and impact
 - Summary of proposed changes

4. Report out from technical-WASTE subcommittee – Judy, VT, still in temporary office

5. Report out from technical WATER subcommittee – none

6. Regional reports on new outreach activities – none