

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION CHANGES, PUBLIC HEARING, AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission (APC&EC) will hold a public hearing in North Little Rock on December 4, 2017, to receive comments on proposed revisions to APC&EC Regulation 30 (Remedial Action Trust Fund Hazardous Substance Site Priority List). The hearing will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Room at the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) headquarters building, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118. The deadline for submitting written comments on the regulation is 4:30 p.m. (Central Time) December 18, 2017.

In the event of inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances, a decision may be made to postpone the hearing. If the hearing is postponed and rescheduled, a new legal notice will be published to announce the details of the new hearing date and comment period. APC&EC authority for revising Regulation 30 is found in the Remedial Action Trust Fund Act, Arkansas Code Annotated, Section 8-7-501 *et seq.*

The proposed changes to Regulation 30 include the deletion from the State Priority List in Chapter 3 of two (2) sites because site investigation and necessary remedial activities have been completed and the sites no longer pose a potential unacceptable risk to human health or the environment from hazardous substances defined under the Remedial Action Trust Fund Act; a new Chapter 4 was added to address Act 1073 of the 2017 Regular Session of the Arkansas General Assembly concerning the use of assessment grants for potentially contaminated sites for the facilitation of economic development and environmental improvement; and minor revisions to include correcting typographical, grammatical, formatting, and stylistic errors. A complete listing of the proposed changes to Regulation 30 can be found on the Draft Regulations page on ADEQ's website at www.adeq.state.ar.us/regs/draft_regs.aspx.

Copies of the proposed changes to Regulation 30 are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the ADEQ headquarters building, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118, or at ADEQ information depositories located in public libraries at Arkadelphia, Batesville, Blytheville, Camden, Clinton, Crossett, El Dorado, Fayetteville, Forrest City, Fort Smith, Harrison, Helena, Hope, Hot Springs, Jonesboro, Little Rock, Magnolia, Mena, Monticello, Mountain Home, Pocahontas, Russellville, Searcy, Stuttgart, Texarkana, and West Memphis; in campus libraries at the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff and the University of Central Arkansas at Conway.

Oral and written comments will be accepted at the hearing, but written comments are preferred in the interest of accuracy. In addition, written and electronic mail comments will be considered if received no later than 4:30 p.m. (Central Time) December 18, 2017. Written comments should be delivered or mailed to: Kelly Robinson, Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118. Electronic mail comments should be sent to: reg-comment@adeq.state.ar.us.

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