

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR FILING PROPOSED RULES AND REGULATIONS
WITH THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE

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INSTRUCTIONS

- A. Please make copies of this form for future use.
- B. Please answer each question completely using layman terms. You may use additional sheets, if necessary.
- C. If you have a method of indexing your rules, please give the proposed citation after "Short Title of this Rule" below.
- D. Submit two (2) copies of this questionnaire and financial impact statement attached to the front of two (2) copies of the proposed rule and required documents. Mail or deliver to:

Donna K. Davis
Administrative Rules Review Section
Arkansas Legislative Council
Bureau of Legislative Research
Room 315, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

1. What is the short title of this rule? Regulation No. 18

2. What is the subject of the proposed rule? Arkansas Air Pollution Control Code

3. Is this rule required to comply with a federal statute, rule, or regulation? Yes No
If yes, please provide the federal rule, regulation, and/or statute citation.

4. Was this rule filed under the emergency provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act? Yes No

If yes, what is the effective date of the emergency rule? Not applicable

When does the emergency rule expire? Not applicable

Will this emergency rule be promulgated under the permanent provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act? Yes No

5. Is this a new rule? Yes No

If yes, please provide a brief summary explaining the regulation.

Not applicable

Does this repeal an existing rule? Yes No

If yes, a copy of the repealed rule is to be included with your completed questionnaire. If it is being replaced with a new rule, please provide a summary of the rule giving an explanation of what the rule does.

Not applicable

Is this an amendment to an existing rule? Yes No

If yes, please attach a mark-up showing the changes in the existing rule and a summary of the substantive changes. **Note: The summary should explain what the amendment does, and the mark-up copy should be clearly labeled "mark-up."**

6. Cite the state law that grants the authority for this proposed rule?

If codified, please give Arkansas Code citation.

A.C.A §8-4-201, §8-4-202, §8-4-304, and §8-4-311.

7. What is the purpose of this proposed rule? Why is it necessary?

This proposed rule revises the state air code (non-federally enforceable regulations) to be consistent with federal rule changes made after EPA's periodic reevaluation and revisions of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards and other federal air pollution control regulations. These changes will also provide greater clarity to Regulation No. 18 and eliminate typographical and formatting errors.

This proposed rule is necessary to ensure that the Arkansas regulation is not in conflict with federal rules that have been federally adopted. Also, by revising Regulation No. 18, ADEQ will be able to issue permits for fine particulate matter. Because the National Ambient Air Quality Standard for particulate matter is a health-based standard, this rule change will allow ADEQ to protect human health and the environment from detrimental effects of fine particulate matter. Additional substantive changes were made to Regulation No. 18 with the intention of updating Regulation No. 18 to be more closely aligned with federal rules. All other changes were made as updates, clarifications, and error corrections.

8. Please provide the address where this rule is publicly accessible in electronic form via the Internet as required by Arkansas Code § 25-19-108(b).

http://www.adeq.state.ar.us/regs/drafts/draft_regs.htm

9. Will a public hearing be held on this proposed rule? Yes No

If yes, please complete the following:

Date: November 13, 2012

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Place: ADEQ Commission Room, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR, 72118

10. When does the public comment period expire for permanent promulgation? (Must provide a date.) 4:30 p.m., November 29, 2012

11. What is the proposed effective date of this proposed rule? (Must provide a date.) June, 2013

12. Do you expect this rule to be controversial? Yes No

If yes, please explain. _____

13. Please give the names of persons, groups, or organizations that you expect to comment on these rules? Please provide their position (for or against) if known.

In general, it is thought that the facilities that will be subject to Regulation No. 18 will not object to this rulemaking. However, the overall consensus towards this proposed rule is unknown at this time.
