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through the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NC DENR), Division of Air Quality, dated December 12, 2007, to address the Clean Air Act (CAA) infrastructure requirements for the 1997 ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards. On January 11, 2012, NC DENR supplemented their December 12, 2007, submission with a commitment to address the re-CAAquirements of 110(a)(2)(E)(ii) of the CAA which requires state compliance with section 128 of the CAA. EPA is conditionally approving North Carolina's submittal CAAwith respect to 110(a)(2)(E)(ii).

(b) North Carolina submitted a letter to EPA on July 10, 2012, with a commitment to address the State Implementation Plan deficiencies regarding requirements of Clean Air Act sections 110(a)(2)(C) and 110(a)(2)(J) as they both relate to Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) infrastructure requirements for the 1997 annual and 2006 24-hour fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) national ambient air quality standards. EPA is conditionally approving North Carolina's commitment to address outstanding requirements promulgated in the New Source Review (NSR) PM_{2.5} Rule related to the $PM_{2.5}$ standard for their PSD program and committing to providing the necessary SIP revision to address these NSR PM2.5 Rule requirements. If North Carolina fails to submit these revisions by October 16, 2013, the conditional approval will automatically become a disapproval on that date and EPA will issue a finding of disapproval.

(c) North Carolina submitted a commitment letter to EPA on July 10, 2012, requesting conditional approval of outstanding requirements related to the NSR PM_{2.5} Rule. In this letter, North Carolina provided a schedule as to how it will address outstanding requirements related to the NSR $PM_{2.5}$ Rule (including PM2.5 PSD Increment-SILs-SMC, as it relates to $PM_{2.5}$ increments to meet the prong 3 requirements of section 110(a)(2)(D)(i)). EPA conditionally approved the NSR PM2.5 Rule submission for North Carolina on October 16, 2012, (77 FR 63234). If the North Carolina fails to submit these revisions by October 16, 2013, the conditional approval will automatically become a disapproval on that date and EPA will issue a finding of disapproval.

 $[77~\mathrm{FR}~5706,~\mathrm{Feb}.~6,~2012,~\mathrm{as}~\mathrm{amended}~\mathrm{at}~77~\mathrm{FR}~63240,~\mathrm{Oct}.~16,~2012;~78~\mathrm{FR}~18244,~\mathrm{Mar}.~26,~2013]$

§52.1774 [Reserved]

§52.1775 Rules and regulations.

Paragraph (g) of regulation 2D.0535 is disapproved because its automatic exemption for excess emissions during startup and shutdown is inconsistent with the Clean Air Act.

[51 FR 32075, Sept. 9, 1986]

§52.1776 Visibility protection.

(a) Regional Haze. The requirements of section 169A of the Clean Air Act are not met because the regional haze plan submitted by North Carolina on December 17, 2007, does not include fully approvable measures for meeting the requirements of 40 CFR 51.308(d)(3) and 51.308(e) with respect to emissions of NO_X and SO₂ from electric generating units. EPA has given limited disapproval to the plan provisions addressing these requirements.

(b) [Reserved]

[77 FR 33658, June 7, 2012]

§ 52.1777 [Reserved]

§52.1778 Significant deterioration of air quality.

(a)–(b) [Reserved]

(c) All applications and other information required pursuant to §52.21 of this part from sources located or to be located in the State of North Carolina shall be submitted to the State agency, North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Air Quality, 1641 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699–1641 or local agencies, Forsyth County Environmental Affairs, 201 North Chestnut Street, Winston-Salem, Carolina 27101 or Forsyth County Air Quality Section, 537 North Spruce Street, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27101; Mecklenburg County Land Use & Environmental Services Agency, Air Quality, 700 N. Tryon St., Suite 205, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-2236; Western North Carolina Regional Air Quality Agency, 49 Mount Carmel