ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[VA107–5049b; FRL–6988–1]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Clarifying Revisions to 9 VAC 5 Chapter 40 Fuel Burning Equipment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA proposes to approve the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the Commonwealth of Virginia regarding existing stationary sources. The revisions concern provisions covering fuel burning equipment. The intent of the revisions is to clarify the applicability of the regulation and to clearly indicate that permits may be needed for the operation of a facility. New definitions to reflect the clarification along with some additional minor changes are included in the revisions. EPA is approving these revisions to the Fuel Burning Equipment Rule in accordance with the requirements of the Clean Air Act. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing by July 2, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be mailed to David L. Arnold, Chief, Air Quality Planning and Information Services Branch, Mailcode 3AP21, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103. Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Air Protection Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III, 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103; Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, 629 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ruth E. Knapp, (215) 814–2191, at the EPA Region III address above, or by e-mail at knapp.ruth@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For further information on this revision related to the types of equipment to which Virginia's Fuel Burning Equipment Rule applies, please see the information provided in the direct final action, with the same title, that is located in the ''Rules and Regulations'' section of this **Federal Register** publication.

Dated: May 17, 2001.

Thomas C. Voltaggio,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region III.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 635

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Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Scoping Workshop

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of scoping workshop.

SUMMARY: NMFS will hold a scoping workshop on June 14, 2001, to discuss options for development of a statistical documentation program for Atlantic swordfish and bigeye tuna that is consistent with requirements of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT).

DATES: The workshop will be held on Thursday, June 14, 2001, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The scoping workshop will be held at the NOAA Fisheries Headquarters, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 7836, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Informational materials related to the workshop are available from Jill Stevenson, Highly Migratory Species Management Division, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702, or on the Internet at www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hmspg.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jill Stevenson at 727–570–5447 or by e-mail at jill.stevenson@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Atlantic highly migratory species (HMS) fisheries are managed under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act (ATCA). The Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Tunas, Swordfish, and Sharks is implemented by regulations at 50 CFR part 635. ATCA requires NMFS to implement recommendations of ICCAT, if adopted by the United States.

At its 2000 meeting, ICCAT recommended that countries establish statistical documentation programs for swordfish and bigeye tuna, modeled in principle after the Bluefin Tuna Statistical Document (BSD) program, with the aim of having the program or programs fully implemented by January 1, 2002, or as soon as possible thereafter. The United States has offered to host a meeting of technical experts from ICCAT countries prior to the November 2001 ICCAT meeting.

In anticipation of the international meeting of technical experts, NMFS solicits comments and seeks to initiate a technical discussion of existing trade documentation programs such as the BSD program and the Swordfish Certificate of Eligibility program, in light of ICCAT's recommendation that countries endeavor to harmonize all statistical document programs under their purview.

Agenda items for the scoping meeting will include:

1. Discussion of existing trade documentation programs;
2. Development of potential options for harmonization of existing and new programs; and
3. Discussion of related issues, such as enforcement issues, electronic filing of documents, validation of documentation, and other issues.

Alternative Attendance Option

NMFS recognizes that it may be difficult for interested constituents to attend this scoping meeting in Silver Spring, MD and is providing access to the meeting via conference call. The call will be a toll-free dial-in system with a limited number of ports, assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. To participate in this meeting via telephone, please contact Jill Stevenson of the Highly Migratory Species Division (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) no later than June 11, 2001.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Jill Stevenson (see **FOR FURTHER**

INFORMATION CONTACT) at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

Dated: May 24, 2001.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a 2-day Council meeting, on June 13 and June 14, 2001, to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, June 13 and 14, at 9 a.m. and 8:30 a.m., respectively.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Providence Biltmore Hotel, 11 Dorrance Street, Kennedy Plaza, Providence, RI 02903; telephone (401) 421–0700. Requests for special accommodations should be addressed to the New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950; telephone (978) 465–0492.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council (978) 465–0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Wednesday, June 13, 2001

After introductions, the Council meeting will begin with a review and, if appropriate, approval of Council administrative and procedural policies. The Groundfish Committee will follow with its report on the development of Amendment 13 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP). This will include consideration of a Groundfish Committee recommendation to clarify maximum sustainable yield control rule options and the Capacity's Committee's recommendations concerning whether to address latent fishing effort in Amendment 13. During the afternoon session, the Council will review and consider approval of the draft management alternatives and Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the FMP for the Northeast Region skate complex. Lastly, there will be a presentation on bioeconomic modeling and its application to fisheries management, using the American lobster fishery as a case study.

Thursday, June 14, 2001

During the Thursday session of the meeting, the Council will receive reports on recent activities from the Council Chairman, Executive Director, the NMFS Regional Administrator, Northeast Fisheries Science Center and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council liaisons, NOAA General Counsel and representatives of the U.S. Coast Guard, NMFS Enforcement and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. These reports will be followed by a NMFS briefing on the Essential Fish Habitat consultation process. A period for public comments will then be held. The Herring Committee will bring forward its annual specification recommendations for the 2002 fishing year. These will include optimum yield from the fishery, total allowable level of foreign fishing and joint venture processing, as well as management area total allowable catch quotas. Prior to making a decision on these specifications, the Council staff will present the annual Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation Report for herring. During the afternoon period, the Council's Scallop Committee will ask for consideration of a control date for vessels that target sea scallops while not on a scallop day-at-sea. A control date may be necessary because the Council is considering whether to limit the access of vessels holding general category permits as part of Amendment 10 to the Atlantic Sea Scallop FMP. The control date could apply to any vessel with or without a general category permit and/or to vessels that have a limited access scallop permit and that fish for sea scallops while not on a day-at-sea. The Council meeting will adjourn after addressing any other outstanding business.

Although other non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subjects of formal action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided that the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

The Council will consider public comments at a minimum of two Council meetings before making recommendations to the NMFS Regional Administrator on any framework adjustment to a fishery management plan. If she concurs with the adjustment proposed by the Council, the Regional Administrator has the discretion to publish the action either as proposed or final regulations in the **Federal Register.** Documents pertaining to framework adjustments are available for public review 7 days prior to a final vote by the Council.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: May 24, 2001.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service

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