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Department of Environmental Quality Office of Environmental Assessment Air Quality Assessment Division

Annual Emissions Inventory Data Submittals (LAC 33:III.919 and 5107) (0705Pot4)

Under the authority of the Environmental Quality Act, R.S. 30:2001 et seq., and in accordance with LAC 33:III.919.D and LAC 33:III.5107, the Secretary gives notice that the directions for submittals of Annual Criteria Pollutant Emissions Inventory Data as well as the Annual Toxic Emissions Data Inventory (TEDI) for calendar year 2006 are as described below.

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality has initiated a project to update and enhance the existing emissions inventory reporting system. The new reporting system has consolidated the reporting for criteria pollutant and toxic emissions inventories. The new reporting system, known as ERIC, was brought on-line in April 2007. Training seminars were held in April 2007 to train reporters in the new reporting system and to review reporting requirements for both LAC 33:III.5107 and LAC 33:III.919. Although the Department has already extended the due date for the criteria pollutant point source files, we recognize that considerable time may be needed by very large facilities to properly submit all of their emission data in the format that we have requested in this first reporting cycle.

The Department wants to ensure that high quality data is collected from our submitters. To that end, we have evaluated a request to delay the submittal of the TEDI inventory and have determined that separating the TEDI data from the criteria pollutant emissions data would not be practical since the new system was designed to combine the two inventories into one.

The Department has further determined that extending the due date for the entire 2006 emissions inventory (criteria pollutant and TEDI) to September 1, 2007, would not negatively affect the agency or data availability to the public. In addition, this would allow facilities the extra time needed to get their emission inventories submitted in the ERIC system.

Therefore, the Department is extending the deadline for submitting both portions of the emissions inventory in the ERIC system (criteria pollutant and TEDI) from July 1, 2007 to September 1, 2007.

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