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Department of Environmental Quality
Office of the Secretary
Legal Division

Notice of Public Hearing Substantive Changes to Proposed Rule AQ364 Work Practice Standards During Start-up and Shutdown (LAC 33:III.2201.C, I, and K) (AQ364S)

Under the authority of the Environmental Quality Act, R.S. 30:2001 et seq., and in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., the secretary gives notice that the department is seeking to incorporate substantive changes to LAC 33:III.2201.C, I, and K (AQ364S), which were originally noticed as AQ364 in the June 20, 2016, *Louisiana Register*. (1611Pot1)

The department has made the following substantive changes to address comments received on AQ364.

- 1. The report required by LAC 33:III.2201.I.2 should: address noncompliance with applicable work practice standards under LAC 33:III.2201.K.3;
- 2. set the effective date of the work practice standards as May 1, 2017;
- 3. require the department to incorporate into the applicable permit, for each affected facility, appropriate requirements describing the source-specific conditions or parameters identifying when operation of control devices, such as selective catalytic reduction (SCR) and selective non-catalytic reduction (SNCR), must commence;
- 4. clarify that the records required by LAC 33:III.2201.K.3.e and f must be maintained for at least 5 years; and
- 5. require the owner or operator of an affected facility to notify the department whether each affected point source will comply with numerical emission limitations or work practice standards during periods of start-up and shutdown.

In the interest of clarity and transparency, the department is providing public notice and an opportunity to comment on the proposed changes to the amendments of the regulations. The department is also providing an interim response to comments received on the initial regulation proposal.

A strikeout, underline, and shaded version of the proposed rule that distinguishes original proposed language from language changed by this proposal and the interim response to comments are available at www.deq.louisiana.gov under Rules and Regulations.

A public hearing on the substantive changes will be held on December 28, 2016, at 1:30 p.m. in the Galvez Building, Oliver Pollock Conference Room, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. Interested persons are invited to attend and make oral comments on the proposed amendments. Should individuals with a disability need an accommodation in order to participate, contact Deidra Johnson at the address given below or at (225) 219-3985. Two hours of free parking are allowed in the Galvez Garage with a validated parking ticket.

All persons submitting written comments should reference the proposed regulation as AQ364S. Comments must be received no later than December 28, 2016, at 4:30 p.m., and should be sent to Deidra Johnson, Attorney Supervisor, Office of the Secretary, Legal Division, P.O. Box 4302, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4302, FAX (225) 219-4068, or e-mail at deidra.johnson@la.gov. The comment period for the substantive changes ends on December 28, 2016. Copies of these substantive changes may be purchased by contacting the LDEQ Public Records Center at (225) 219-3168. Check or money order is required in advance for each copy of AQ364S. These proposed regulations are available on the Internet at www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/1669/default.aspx.

AQ364s is available for inspection at the following LDEQ office locations from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.: 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802; 1823 Highway 546, West Monroe, LA 71292; State Office Building, 1525 Fairfield Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71101; 1301 Gadwall Street, Lake Charles, LA 70615; 111 New Center Drive, Lafayette, LA 70508; 110 Barataria Street, Lockport, LA 70374; and 201 Evans Road, Bldg. 4, Suite 420, New Orleans, LA 70123.

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