State Implementation Plan for Regional Haze Program

Under the authority of the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act, R. S. 30:2001 et seq., the secretary gives notice that the Office of Environmental Services, Air Permits Division, will submit to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) a proposed revision to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the Regional Haze Program as required under the Clean Air Act, Part C, section 169, and 40 CFR Part 51.308. Regional haze is visibility impairment caused by the cumulative air pollutant emissions from numerous sources over a wide geographic area. (1512Pot1)

On July 3, 2012, the EPA made final a partial limited approval and partial disapproval of the original SIP submitted on June 13, 2008. This revision answers the requirements for the four nonelectrical generating unit (nonEGU) facilities that were addressed under the Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) section in the original SIP and that are the subject of the EPA partial disapproval.

All interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the SIP revision no later than 4:30 p.m., January 27, 2016, to Vivian H. Aucoin, Office of Environmental Services, Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4314, Fax (225) 219-3156, or e-mail at vivian.aucoin@la.gov. A public hearing will be held upon request. The deadline for requesting a public hearing is January 4, 2016.

A copy of the proposal may be viewed on the LDEQ website or at LDEQ headquarters at 602 North 5th Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802.

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