Under the authority of the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act, LA R.S. 30:2051 et seq., the secretary gives notice that the Office of Environmental Assessment, Air Planning Division, will submit to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) a revision to the Louisiana State Implementation Plan (SIP) for sulfur dioxide. (1709Pot1)

On June 2, 2010, EPA strengthened the primary National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for SO₂. EPA revised the primary SO₂ NAAQS by establishing a new 1-hour standard at a level of 75 parts per billion (ppb). The EPA has designated St. Bernard Parish as nonattainment for the new NAAQS. The SIP revision will implement standards required by the Clean Air Act for the nonattainment area.

All interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the SIP revision no later than 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 1, 2017, to Vivian H. Aucoin, Office of Environmental Assessment, P.O. Box 4314, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4314, Fax (225) 219-3482, or e-mail at vivian.aucoin@la.gov. A public hearing will be held upon request. The deadline for requesting a public hearing is Friday, October 13, 2017.

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

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