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Senator John A. Kissel
 Representative Lucy Dathan
 Legislative Regulation Review Committee
 State Capitol, Room 011
 Hartford, Connecticut 06106

**Re: *Legislative Regulation Review Committee Review of Proposal Regarding
 Hazardous Air Pollutants, PR2023-007***

Dear Senator Kissel and Representative Dathan:

Pursuant to section 4-170 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I am submitting for your consideration and approval a proposal to amend a number of air quality regulations, including sections 22a-174-1, 22a-174-3a, 22a-174-3b, 22a-174-3c, 22a-174-3d, 22a-174-29, 22a-174-33, 22a-174-33a and 22a-174-33b of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA).

The main purpose of the proposal is to replace most of the various definitions of “hazardous air pollutant” used in the air quality regulations with a single definition. This revision is necessary now not just to consolidate but to incorporate a new pollutant, 1-bromopropane, which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) added to the federal definition of hazardous air pollutant used in clean air programs. This definition revision also incorporates future changes to the federal definition which may be caused by EPA’s listing or delisting of a chemical compound. Maintaining consistency with the federal definition ensures that our clean air permit programs and business friendly “permit-by-rule” alternatives to permit programs are sufficient to meet federal Clean Air Act requirements.

As a secondary purpose, this proposal performs rule maintenance by removing outdated fuel sulfur content requirements, making corrections to outdated or incorrect citations, and clarifying one provision of the new source review permit program.

A public hearing was offered on request for this proposal, but no request for a hearing was submitted, so no hearing was held. The single written comment received on this proposal suggested a minor revision, which was incorporated into the final proposal.

If there are any general questions regarding this submission, please get in touch with Harrison Nantz of DEEP by electronic mail to harrison.nantz@ct.gov. If you have any substantive or rule drafting questions, please get in touch with Merrily Gere of the Bureau of Air Management at merrily.gere@ct.gov. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

 Katherine S. Dykes
 Commissioner

12/13/2023

 Date