



Notice of Intent to Amend Air Quality Regulations and Revise the State Implementation Plan

In accordance with the provisions of section 4-168(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes (CGS), the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) hereby gives notice of the proposal to adopt section 22a-174-36d of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (RCSA). The proposal will be submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for approval as a revision to the State Implementation Plan.

The authority to adopt the proposal is granted by CGS section 22a-174g, as well as section 177 of the federal Clean Air Act (CAA). This notice is required pursuant to CGS sections 4-168 and CGS 22a-174g(c).

Purpose. The primary objective of this proposal is to adopt the regulatory infrastructure necessary to establish emission standards and electrification targets for light-duty and medium-duty passenger motor vehicles.

Description. This notice of intent pertains to the regulatory proposal concerning the adoption of the California Low Emission Vehicle (LEV IV) and Advanced Clean Car II (ACC II) regulation. The regulatory proposal adopts RCSA section 22a-174-36d to include provisions for more stringent emission requirements for light-duty and medium-duty internal combustion engines (ICE) in passenger vehicles and implement requirements for vehicle manufacturers to progressively increase the sale of advanced technology vehicles including battery electric vehicles from 2027 through 2035. Section 22a-174-36d contributes significantly to the State of Connecticut meeting its greenhouse gas reduction goals and federal CAA air quality attainment objectives.

Written comments. Interested persons are invited to comment on the proposal. Comments should be submitted no later than 5 pm on **August 23, 2023** via the eRegulations System (PR 2023-023) or by electronic mail to the Mobile Sources Group at deep.mobilesources@ct.gov.

Public hearing. In addition to accepting written comments, DEEP will also hold a public hearing, upon request, on **August 22, 2023**. Requests for a public hearing should be submitted no later than 5 pm on **August 7, 2023**, via electronic mail to the Mobile Sources Group at deep.mobilesources@ct.gov. If a request for a public hearing is received by the specified deadline, information will be posted on DEEP's website no later than **August 9, 2023** indicating that the public hearing will be held as scheduled and providing the location and time. Otherwise, information will be posted no later than **August 9, 2023** confirming the public hearing will not be held.

Additional information. The proposals described above, fiscal impact analyses, small business impact analyses and statements required by CGS section 22a-6(h) are posted on the eRegulations System (PR2023-023). For further information, contact the Mobile Sources Group of the Bureau of Air Management by electronic mail to deep.mobilesources@ct.gov.

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Date