

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. EG97-77-000]

Zond Windsystem Partners, Ltd., Series 85-A, a California Limited Partnership; Notice of Amendment to Application for Determination of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

August 26, 1997.

On August 25, 1997, Zond Windsystem Partners, Ltd., Series 85-A, a California Limited Partnership, 13000 Jameson Road, Tehachapi, California 93561, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an amendment to its application.

Any person desiring to be heard concerning the application for exempt wholesale generator status should file a motion to intervene or comments with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.211 and 385.214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application. All such motions and comments should be filed on or before September 8, 1997 and must be served on applicant. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,*Secretary.*

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5885-5]

Air Pollution Control; Motor Vehicle Emission Factors

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public workshop.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency is now in the process of developing revisions and improvements to the highway vehicle emission factor model (the MOBILE model). The current version of the model, MOBILE5a, was released for use March 26, 1993. The next version of the model, MOBILE6, is tentatively planned for completion early in 1998 and release for use in the summer of 1998. This notice announces

the second public workshop for the purpose of discussing issues raised by the pending revisions to the model. At this workshop, EPA will present results of analyses that have been completed to date, raise new issues for discussion and comment, and generally provide an update as to the progress that has been made since the first MOBILE6 workshop held in March, 1997. There is likely to be one additional MOBILE6 workshop, probably in the spring of 1998. As at the March 1997 workshop, this workshop will also include a presentation on EPA's progress in the development of a nonroad mobile source emissions inventory model.

DATES: The workshop will be held Wednesday, October 1 and Thursday, October 2, 1997. The times are from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm October 1, and 8:30 am to 5 pm October 2. All times are Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held in Powsley Auditorium of the Morris Lawrence Building, Washtenaw Community College, 400 East Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48106. Directions to the workshop can be requested from the contact person listed below, or through accessing the OMS World Wide Web (WWW) site (www.epa.gov/omswww/). Information on how to electronically access this and other workshop-related information appears below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Betty Measley, U. S. EPA Office of Mobile Sources, Assessment and Modeling Division, Emission Inventory Group, 2565 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor MI 48105. Telephone: (313) 741-7902; fax (313) 741-7939.

This notice, as well as related information concerning the workshop, may be found in the OMS section of the EPA Web site. To access this information using the WWW:

<http://www.epa.gov/OMSWWW/models.htm>

gopher: gopher.epa.gov menus->Offices: Air: OMS

ftp: ftp.epa.gov Chg Dir->pub/gopher/OMS

Workshop-related files, including a copy of this notice, a map showing the location of WCC and the Morris Lawrence Building, and later additional information as described in the body of this announcement, will be found at the OMS Section, Models & Utilities Subsection.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under section 130 of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, EPA is required to review, and to revise as necessary, the emission factors used to estimate

emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC), carbon monoxide (CO), and oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) from area and mobile sources. In the case of highway vehicles, emission factors for these pollutants as a function of various parameters are estimated using the highway vehicle emission factor model, commonly referred to as MOBILE. This model, first developed in the late 1970s, has been revised, updated, and improved periodically since that time to account for increasing data and analyses concerning in-use emissions performance of highway vehicles, changes in vehicle and emission control technology, changes in fuel composition, strengthening of applicable emission standards, refinements to applicable test procedures, and other items that affect in-use emission levels.

Section 130 of the Act requires that this emission factor review, and revision as needed, be performed at least every three years. As noted above, the current official version of the model, MOBILE5a, was released in March 1993. Since that time, two interim updates to the model have been developed, MOBILE5a_H (released in November 1995) and MOBILE5b (released in October 1996). While not involving revision and update to the entire model, these versions were developed to address specific needs on the part of emission factor users. MOBILE5a_H incorporated a number of changes intended to improve the ability of modelers, particularly States and local/regional governments, in estimating the benefits of various innovative inspection and maintenance (I/M) programs and to improve the accuracy of modeling situations in which such programs change over time or different programs are applied to different subsets of the covered fleet. MOBILE5b greatly simplified the use of the features first provided in MOBILE5a_H, and included a number of other minor changes, corrections, and improvements.

The time elapsed since the last complete revision to the model and the additional test data and analyses available since that time warrant another thorough update and revision to the model. OMS plans significant changes not only to the underlying emission factor estimates, but to how emission factors are modeled to account for things such as separation of start and running exhaust emissions, roadway facility type, average traffic speeds, and a number of other important changes that will affect the input information required to use the model as well as the type of information produced by the

model. The first MOBILE6 workshop last March presented an overview of the more important model revisions being planned. Since then, considerable analyses have been performed, and the model revisions proposed in March have been modified to some extent in response comments received since then. At this workshop, results will be presented in a number of topical areas that were discussed only in terms of proposals at the first workshop.

The tentative agenda for this workshop is discussed below. Other aspects of the modeling of highway vehicle emissions that are not specifically included within the following discussion may also be briefly addressed in this workshop; however, the agenda discussed below is intended to illustrate the major areas of discussion for the workshop.

The workshop being announced by today's notice will span two days. In an effort to facilitate travel plans on the part of attendees, a preliminary agenda for the two days is presented below. Note that, as was done for the March 1997 workshop, the first day (October 1) is largely devoted to "technical" issues involved in updating and revising the model, including revisions to emission factors and calculation methodologies, while the second day (October 2) is focused more on "user changes," meaning those revisions planned that will affect the input data requirements and file structure and output changes. The update on the progress of EPA's development of a nonroad emission inventory model will also be presented on the second day. Many attendees will likely want to be present for both sessions, however, some may find that they can limit their attendance to one or the other days based on their specific interests and needs.

Topics to be discussed on October 1. The first day of the workshop is planned to include discussion of the stakeholder review process; start-related emissions, separation of start from running (driving) exhaust emissions, and revisions to the basic emission rate equations; the use of facility-specific driving cycles and means for weighting such emission factors by vehicle miles traveled (VMT) to develop area-wide emission factor estimates; the impacts of air conditioning use on exhaust emissions; the effects of fuel sulfur content on emissions, and of fuel oxygenate content on carbon monoxide (CO) emissions; and revisions and improvements to evaporative emissions estimates (including real-time diurnals, resting losses, liquid leaks, and hot soak emissions). Each

presentation will be followed by a short discussion/question and answer period, and there should be some time left at the end of the day for more general open discussion of the material that has been presented.

These are the main areas in which presentations are planned for the first day of the workshop. Results of test programs and data analyses will be presented where available, and in all subject areas plans for additional work and proposed revisions to the model's treatment of each area will be discussed.

Topics to be discussed on October 2. On the second day, EPA will present its proposal for modeling the benefits of second-generation onboard diagnostic systems (OBD-II) in MOBILE6. This will be followed by discussions of the changes to input files/structure/content and proposed changes to the output files produced by the model. A significant amount of time will be spent on these "input/output" issues on the second day, as EPA is hoping to engage workshop attendees in active discussions concerning these changes.

The last presentation on October 2 will be an update on the development of the proposed nonroad emission inventory model for mobile sources. The workshop will conclude with reminders to the audience on how to keep abreast of progress, stakeholder review and comment of products to be used in MOBILE6 and the nonroad emission inventory model, and discussion of the schedule for development of MOBILE6 and the nonroad emission inventory model over the coming months.

Additional Information. To the extent possible, EPA will post material at the OMS Web site described under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, above, in advance of the workshop. Those planning to attend, and those interested in following the progress of workshop planning more closely, should periodically visit the workshop information site. For example, some of the presentation materials that will be used at the workshop will be posted in advance to facilitate discussion and comment at the workshop.

Dated: August 22, 1997.

Richard D. Wilson,

Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7167 or (202) 564-7153.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed August 18, 1997 Through August 22, 1997

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 970326, Draft EIS, NPS, MI, Keweenaw National Historical Park General Management Plan, Implementation, Houghton County, MI, Due: October 30, 1997, Contact: Frank Fiala (906) 337-3168.

EIS No. 970327, Draft EIS, COE, DE, Delaware Coast from Cape Henlopen to Fenwick Island Feasibility Study and Bethany Beach and South Bethany Interim Feasibility Study, Storm Damage Reduction and to Construct a Protective Berm and Dune, Sussex County, DE, Due: October 14, 1997, Contact: Steven D. Allen (215) 656-6559.

EIS No. 970328, Draft EIS, AFS, AZ, Windmill Range Allotment Management Plan, Cattle Grazing Use, Implementation, Coconino National Forest, Mormon Lake, Peaks and Sedona Ranger Districts, Coconino and Yavapai County, AZ, Due: October 14, 1997, Contact: Mike Hanneman (520) 774-1147.

EIS No. 970329, Draft Supplement, COE, AR, Red River Waterway, Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas and Oklahoma and Related Projects, New and Updated Information, Red River Below Denison Dam Levee Rehabilitation, Implementation, Hempstead, Lafayette and Miller Counties, AR, Due: October 14, 1997, Contact: Stuart McLean (601) 631-5965.

EIS No. 970330, Draft EIS, USN, CA, San Diego Naval Training Center (NTC) Disposal and Reuse of Certain Real Properties, Implementation, City of San Diego, San Diego County, CA, Due: October 14, 1997, Contact: Robert Montana (619) 532-2004 ext 43.

EIS No. 970331, Final EIS, AFS, OR, Little River (DEMO) Demonstration of Ecosystem Management Options Timber Sale, Implementation, Umpqua National Forest, North Umpqua Ranger District, Douglas County, OR, Due: September 29, 1997, Contact: Debbie Anderson (541) 496-3532.

EIS No. 970332, Final EIS, AFS, AZ, Pocket/Baker Ecosystem and Land