

on any governmental entity or private sector.

### List of Subjects in 30 CFR Part 944

Abandoned mine reclamation programs, Intergovernmental relations, Surface mining, Underground mining.

Dated: January 7, 1998.

**Linda M. Wagner,**

*Acting Regional Director, Western Regional Coordinating Center.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[IN80-1b; FRL-5929-6]

#### Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plan; Indiana

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposes to approve a revision to the Indiana State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the general conformity rules. The general conformity SIP revision enables the State of Indiana to implement and enforce the Federal general conformity requirements in the nonattainment and maintenance areas at the State and local level in accordance with 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 51, subpart W—Determining Conformity of General Federal Actions to State or Federal Implementation Plans. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the agency views this as a noncontroversial SIP revision and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse written comments are received in response to this proposed rule, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this rule. If EPA receives adverse written comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all written public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

**DATES:** Comments must be received in writing by February 13, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the revision request are available for inspection at the following address:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, Air and Radiation Division, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. (It is recommended that you telephone Ryan Bahr, Environmental Engineer at (312) 353-4366 before visiting the Region 5 Office.)

Written comments should be sent to:

J. Elmer Bortzer, Chief, Regulation Development Section, Air Programs Branch AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ryan Bahr, Environmental Engineer, at (312) 353-4366.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** See the information provided in the direct final action of the same title which is located in the Rules and Regulations Section of this **Federal Register**.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Dated: November 14, 1997.

**David A. Ullrich,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region V.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Parts 60, 61, and 63

RIN 2060-AG21

[FRL-5950-1]

#### Amendments for Testing and Monitoring Provisions: Citation of ASTM Test Methods

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Supplementary proposal with request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This action solicits public comments on EPA's interim position on citing American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) methods in 40 CFR Parts 60, 61, and 63. On August 27, 1997, "Amendments for Testing and Monitoring Provisions" was proposed in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 45369). In the proposal, ASTM methods cited in the subparts were amended to include all updated versions that apply. The EPA is now considering listing only the latest version of the methods instead of all individual versions. The intended effect of this action is to make the public aware of this interim position and to solicit comments from parties affected by this new listing of the methods.

**DATES:** *Comments.* Comments on this supplementary proposal must be received on or before March 16, 1998. This comment period does not apply to comments on the original amendments that were proposed on August 27, 1997. The comments for these amendments were due by October 27, 1997; however, the comment period was reopened for an additional 45 days to make comments due by January 5, 1998. The comment period for today's proposal is specific for comments solicited in this document.

**ADDRESSES:** *Comments.* Comments should be submitted (in duplicate, if possible) to: Ambient and Radiation Docket and Information Center (6102), Attention Docket No. A-97-12 (see docket section below), room M-1500, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460. The Agency requests that a separate copy also be sent to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below.

*Docket.* Docket No. A-97-12, containing materials relevant to this rulemaking, is available for public inspection and copying between 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for Federal holidays, at the EPA's Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, Room M-1500, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20460; telephone (202) 260-7548. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Foston Curtis, Emission Measurement Center (MD-19), Emissions, Monitoring, and Analysis Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711, telephone number (919) 541-1063 or at fax number (919) 541-1039.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The proposal of "Amendments for Testing and Monitoring Provisions" on August 27, 1997 updated the citations of ASTM methods in 40 CFR Parts 60, 61, and 63 by including the revised ASTM methods that have come into existence since the subpart was promulgated. This was done to remove the uncertainty that users of the methods were having over the acceptability of newer redesignated methods that were not cited. The ASTM normally reviews its methods periodically to determine if updates or revisions are needed. Changes are usually done to reflect improved procedures or practice, and these technical enhancements are in keeping with EPA's interest in using the best scientific information. Whenever the methods are updated or revised, the year associated with the method number