

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 52 and 81

[UT-001-0002b; FRL-6201-9]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Utah; Salt Lake City Carbon Monoxide Redesignation to Attainment, Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes, and Approval of Related Revisions

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing approval of the Salt Lake City carbon monoxide redesignation request, maintenance plan, and revised language in the Utah Administrative Code Rule (UACR) R307-1-3.3, "Requirements for Nonattainment and Maintenance Areas—New and Modified Sources". The redesignation request, maintenance plan, and changes to R307-1-3.3 were originally submitted by the Governor on November 25, 1995. Revisions to the maintenance plan were submitted by the Governor on December 9, 1996. In the Final Rules Section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's redesignation request and State Implementation Plan (SIP) revisions as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views the request and revisions as noncontroversial and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this rule. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule.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 22, 1999.
ADDRESSES: Written comments may be mailed to: Richard R. Long, Director, Air and Radiation Program, Mailcode 8P-AR, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466.

Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at the following office: United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, Air Program, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tim Russ, Air and Radiation Program, Mailcode 8P-AR, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466, Telephone number (303) 312-6479.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: See the information provided in the Direct Final action of the same title which is located in the Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: November 23, 1998.

Jack W. McGraw,
Acting Regional Administrator, Region VIII.
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40 CFR Part 82

[FRL-6222-6]

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Protection of Stratospheric Ozone

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of denial of petition.

SUMMARY: This action notifies the public that the Agency received a petition pursuant to section 612(d) of the Clean Air Act, under the Significant New

Alternatives Policy (SNAP) Program, and that EPA is denying the petition. SNAP implements section 612 of the amended Clean Air Act of 1990, which requires EPA to evaluate substitutes for ozone-depleting substances (ODS) and to regulate the use of substitutes where other alternatives exist that reduce overall risk to human health and the environment. Through these evaluations, EPA generates lists of acceptable and unacceptable substitutes for each of the major industrial use sectors that use ODS, including the refrigeration and air-conditioning sector.

OZ Technology, Inc. submitted Hydrocarbon Blend B, or HC-12a®, as a CFC-12 substitute in a variety of end-uses on July 19, 1994. In a June 13, 1995 final SNAP rulemaking (60 FR 31092), EPA found the use of Hydrocarbon Blend B unacceptable as a substitute for CFC-12 in all end-uses other than industrial process refrigeration. This determination was based on a lack of adequate data demonstrating that Hydrocarbon Blend B could be used safely in these end-uses. In addition, numerous other acceptable alternatives to ODS exist in these end-uses.

ADDRESSES: Information relevant to this Notice is contained in Air Docket A-91-42, Central Docket Section, South Conference Room 4, U.S. Environmental Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, telephone: (202) 260-7548. The docket may be inspected between 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. weekdays. As provided in 40 CFR part 2, a reasonable fee may be charged for photocopying.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeffrey Levy by telephone at (202) 564-9727, by fax at (202) 565-2096, by e-mail at levy.jeffrey@epa.gov, or by mail at U.S. EPA, Stratospheric Protection Division, 401 M Street, SW, Mail Code 6205J, Washington, DC 20460.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Since the publication of this unacceptability determination, OZ Technology has petitioned EPA three times. The following table provides information about each of the previous petitions and EPA's denials.

Item	Date	Docket location (within docket A-91-42)	FR notice
OZ Petition 1	November 4, 1994	VI-D-75	n/a.
EPA Denial of Petition 1	July 25, 1995	VI-C-7	60 FR 49407.
OZ Petition 2	December 5, 1995	VI-D-135	n/a.
EPA Denial of Petition 2	August 30, 1996	VI-C-20	61 FR 51018.

On May 1, 1998, OZ Technology, Inc. petitioned EPA for the third time. In this

instance, OZ again requested that EPA remove Hydrocarbon Blend B from the

unacceptable list and add it to the acceptable list as a substitute used in all