

Public Hearing
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
Five-Year Rule Review of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC)
OAC Chapter 3745-103, "Acid Rain Permits and Compliance"

Notice is hereby given that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Air Pollution Control (DAPC) has performed a review of the above referenced rules primarily to satisfy the requirements of Section 106.03 and 106.031 of the Ohio Revised Code (five-year review). The DAPC finds these rules to be necessary and with need for changes.

The rules in this chapter contain the requirements pertaining to the Acid Rain program for limitation of emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides from fossil-fuel fired electrical generating units. Upon review, Ohio EPA has determined that some changes are needed and that all rules in the chapter remain necessary. DAPC is not recommending significant changes to the scope or intent of the rules. Minor amendments to 51 rules (OAC rules 3745-103-01 to -09, -11 to -22, -24, -26 to -29, -31 to -35, and -42 to -45, -47 to -48, -51 to -53, -55 to -63 and -65 to -66) have been drafted to ensure equivalency with the federal equivalent, correct cross-references and typographical errors, and conform with agency formatting standards.

Pursuant to Section 121.39 of the Ohio Revised Code, DAPC was required to consult with interested parties affected by the rules before the Division formally adopts them. On June 2, 2017, these rules went out for a 30-day review by interested parties. No comments were received.

Pursuant to Section 106.03 and 106.031 of the Ohio Revised Code, a public hearing on these rule changes will be conducted on **Thursday, September 7, 2017 at 10:30 AM** at Ohio EPA, Lazarus Government Center, 50 W. Town Street, Suite 700, Columbus, Ohio. All visitors to Ohio EPA must register at the Security desk in the lobby upon arrival. Please bring photo identification (such as a valid driver's license). For security reasons, visitors are required to wear their badge at all times while in the building. Please arrive early to complete these procedures.

All interested persons are entitled to attend or be represented at the hearing and give written or oral comments on these rule changes. All oral comments presented at the hearing, and all written statements submitted at the hearing or by the close of business on September 7, 2017 will be considered by Ohio EPA prior to final action on this rule. Written statements submitted after September 7, 2017 may be considered as time and circumstances permit, but will not be part of the official record of the hearing.

These rules and associated documents are available on DAPC's Web page for electronic downloading. The URL is: <http://epa.ohio.gov/dapc/DAPCrules.aspx>. Please see the information under the "proposed rules" tab. Questions regarding accessing the web site and any other questions or comments about these rules should be directed to Paul Braun at Ohio EPA, (614) 644-3734, paul.braun@epa.ohio.gov or mailed to Paul Braun, Ohio EPA, Division Air Pollution Control, Lazarus Government Center, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049. Persons submitting comments electronically are encouraged to follow-up with a hard copy via regular mail.