

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (TCEQ) UPDATE OCTOBER 23, 2012, SETPMTM MEETING

Projects Approved for Proposal at the October 17, 2012, Agenda

- Houston-Galveston-Brazoria (HGB) Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets (MVEB) Update State Implementation Plan (SIP) Revision (Project No. 2012-002-SIP-NR)
 - Public hearing: November 19, 2012, 2:00 p.m., H-GAC
 - Comment period: October 19, 2012 - November 26, 2012
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 - [HGB: Latest Ozone Planning Activities](#) Web page (<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/sip/hgb/hgb-latest-ozone>)
- 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 117 Definition Update and Revisions to Chapter 101 (Project No. 2012-025-117-AI)
 - Public hearing: November 28, 2012, 2:00 p.m., TCEQ headquarters
 - Comment period: November 2, 2012 - December 5, 2012
 - Contact: Ray Schubert, ray.schubert@tceq.texas.gov, (512) 239-6615
 - [Rules Proposal](#) Web page (<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/rules/prop.html>)

October 31, 2012, Agenda

- Proposal: 2010 Sulfur Dioxide Infrastructure and Transport SIP Proposal (Project No. 2012-022-SIP-NR)
 - If approved for proposal, comment period would close December 7, 2012
 - Public hearing: December 4, 2012, at TCEQ headquarters
 - Contact: Mary Ann Cook, maryann.cook@tceq.texas.gov, (512) 239-6739.
 - [Air Pollution from Sulfur Dioxide](#) Web page (<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/sip/criteria-pollutants/sip-so2>).

November 14, 2012, Agenda

- Proposal: Severe Ozone Nonattainment Area Failure to Attain Fee Proposal (Rule Project No. 2009-009-101-AI)
 - Rescheduled from the October 31, 2012, agenda
 - If approved for proposal, comment period would close January 14, 2013
 - Public hearing: January 9, 2013, at H-GAC
 - Contact: Kathy Pendleton, kathy.pendleton@tceq.texas.gov, (512) 239-1936
 - [SIP Section 185 Fees](#) Web page (<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/point-source-ei/sipsection185.html>) contains historical information on this issue
- Adoption: Beaumont-Port Arthur MVEB Update SIP Revision (Project No. 2012-005-SIP-NR)
 - EPA parallel processed its review and proposed approval of this SIP revision as published in the September 19, 2012, *Federal Register*.
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 - [Beaumont-Port Arthur: Ozone, Latest Planning Activities](#) Web page (<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/sip/bpa/bpa-latest-ozone>)
- Adoption: 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide Standard Infrastructure and Transport SIP (Project No. 2012-016-SIP-NR)
 - Contact: Margaret Earnest, margaret.earnest@tceq.texas.gov, (512) 239-4581
 - [Air Pollution from Nitrogen Dioxide](#) Web page (<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/sip/criteria-pollutants/sip-no2>)

Documents are scheduled be filed with the Chief Clerk's Office on October 26, 2012, and available on the [Agenda Meetings and Work Sessions](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/agendas/agenda.html) Web page (<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/agendas/agenda.html>)

Regional Air Quality Planning Committee Meeting (RAQPC) on October 25, 2012

TCEQ Air Quality Division staff will attend and present information regarding the proposed HGB MVEB Update SIP Revision and future technical work at the next RAQPC meeting at H-GAC.

- Presentation posted on the H-GAC's [Regional Air Quality Planning Committee](http://www.h-gac.com/agendas/raqpc/default.aspx) Web page (<http://www.h-gac.com/agendas/raqpc/default.aspx>)

TCEQ Comments on EPA's Proposed Rule (77 FR 58063)

The TCEQ submitted comment on the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) proposed approval of reasonably available control technology (RACT) requirements submitted to the EPA in the June 13, 2007, and April 6, 2010, SIP revisions and Voluntary Mobile Emission Reduction Program (VMEP) commitments submitted to the EPA in the June 13, 2007, SIP revision for the HGB area (Docket ID No. EPA-R06-OAR-2012-0100). The comments will be posted on the [TCEQ National Comments Log – Comments Relating Air Issues](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/nc/Air_Issues.html) Web page (http://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/nc/Air_Issues.html).

Flares

The TCEQ and its contractor, the University of Texas at Austin (UT), have started the process of developing supplemental flare training tools for industrial flare operators. The primary goal of this project is to develop tools that would be useful for industries using dual-purpose assisted flares to achieve the desired destruction efficiency while complying with state and federal rules. Achieving this goal requires developing training information consistent with the TCEQ 2010 Flare Study results and incorporating the input of industry to increase the relevance and use of training by industry. The TCEQ and UT recently held an informational meeting about the supplemental flare training and presented proposed training concepts and process milestones.

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Stage II Program

- The TCEQ held statewide stakeholder meetings to discuss the possibility of decommissioning the Stage II program in the current program areas. Comments were accepted until October 22, 2012, and will be posted on the [Stakeholder Group: Chapter 115](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/stationary-rules/stakeholder/115_stakeholder) and [Gasoline Vapor Recovery \(Stage I and II\)](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/mobilesource/vapor_recovery.html) Web pages.
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- [Stakeholder Group: Chapter 115](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/stationary-rules/stakeholder/115_stakeholder) Web page (http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/stationary-rules/stakeholder/115_stakeholder) and [Gasoline Vapor Recovery \(Stages I and II\)](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/mobilesource/vapor_recovery.html) Web page (http://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/mobilesource/vapor_recovery.html)