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SIP Revision: 1993 Rate of Progress (ROP) for Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW), Beaumont-Port Arthur (BPA), El Paso (ELP), and Houston-Galveston (HGA) Nonattainment Areas (Phase II), May 13, 1994

On May 13, 1994, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) adopted Phase II of an ROP State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision for the DFW, BPA, ELP, and HGA areas.

Summary of the SIP Revision

Adoption Date: 05/13/1994

EPA Actions: On 01/29/1996, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed limited approval of parts and limited disapproval of other parts of the 15% ROP Plans included in this SIP revision and the October 1993 revision (61 FR 2751). The plans were revised in 1996. The 15% ROP was approved for the BPA area on 02/10/1998, (63 FR 6659), and was conditionally approved for the other areas on 11/10/1998, since full approval required changes to the I/M program (63 FR 62943). Full approval of the HGA plan came with the EPA's approval of the I/M programs on 11/14/2001 (66 FR 57160). The EPA fully approved the DFW 15% ROP on 04/12/2005 (70 FR 18993).

Background: This SIP revision constituted the second phase of the 15% ROP plan for the DFW, ELP, BPA, and HGA ozone nonattainment areas (Phase I was adopted on November 10, 1993). It included additional control measures for the HGA and BPA areas that were needed to demonstrate the mandatory 15% reduction in volatile organic compounds (VOC) emissions by 1996. The analysis in Phase I indicated that those rules would not be sufficient to achieve the required reductions in the HGA area, and subsequent analysis indicated that they would not be sufficient for the BPA area either. Although Phase II specifically addressed the shortfalls in the HGA and BPA areas, the new point source VOC controls in this SIP revision were also applied to the ELP and DFW areas in order to meet the 3% emission reduction requirement for the areas' contingency plans. This plan did not include sufficient contingency measures reductions for the HGA and BPA areas to achieve the required 3% reductions if the areas failed to meet the 1996 ROP milestone.

Key Changes:

This SIP revision contained the following new point source rules:

- Expanding the vent gas rule to restrict VOC emissions from Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturing Industry (SOCMI) reactor process and distillation units (HGA, BPA, DFW, ELP);
- Requiring industrial wastewater operations to cover wastewater treatment areas and route vapors through a control device (HGA, DFW, and ELP);



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- Fugitive emissions monitoring at gasoline terminals to detect and repair leaks from loading racks and transfer equipment during marine and other vessel loading (marine in HGA only, other vessel loading in HGA, BPA, DFW, and ELP);
- Vacuum–assisted vapor collection systems and automatic shutdown of the loading system during vapor control device malfunctions;
- A more stringent fugitive emissions monitoring program for natural gas plants, SOCMI, and refineries (HGA, BPA, DFW, and ELP);
- Limits on acetone usage at cultured marble and fiber-reinforced plastics operations to be replaced by acceptable acetone substitutes (HGA, DFW, ELP);
- Control requirements for several types of offset lithographic printing (HGA, DFW, and ELP);
- Rules to control VOC emissions from cleaning or repair of marine and other vessels (HGA, BPA, DFW, and ELP);
- At least 30% overall reductions of VOC for commercial bakeries if the total emissions exceeded 25 tpy (HGA, DFW, and ELP);
- New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) rules which used a gas extraction system to reduce VOC emissions from municipal landfills (HGA, DFW, ELP);
- Limitations for coatings and solvents used in automobile refinishing (HGA, DFW, ELP);
- Limitations for architectural coatings (HGA, DFW, ELP);
- Control requirements for dry cleaning operations which use VOC cleaning solvents (HGA, DFW, ELP); and
- Rules to control the amount of VOC used in consumer and commercial products (statewide).

New mobile source rules included:

- Emission limits for small gasoline powered and diesel utility engines (statewide);
- A low-RVP gasoline program (ELP);
- Rules for large commercial airports;
- A Stage II vapor recovery program; and
- An accelerated vehicle retirement program (HGA, DFW, ELP and BPA).

This SIP revision also brought Stage I vapor recovery requirements into alignment with Stage II requirements, new transportation control measures, new procedures for enforcing them, and a Reid vapor pressure (RVP)-controlled gasoline program in El Paso to substitute for reformulated gasoline requirements. The SIP also incorporated rule effectiveness improvements, including increases in compliance and enforcement staff and more detailed reporting requirements for upsets and maintenance.

SIP Narrative and Appendices

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