

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (TCEQ) UPDATE JULY 29, 2021 RAQPAC MEETING

Rules for United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Oil and Natural Gas Control Techniques Guidelines (CTG)

- On June 30, 2021, the commission adopted the Chapter 115 volatile organic compounds (VOC) reasonably available control technology (RACT) Rules for EPA's Oil and Natural Gas CTG (Rule Project No. 2020-038-115-AI). The rulemaking incorporates rules to address the emissions sources in the EPA's CTG and ensures RACT is implemented for each of these emission sources as required under the Federal Clean Air Act (FCAA).
- The public hearing was held on February 23, 2021 at 10 a.m. CST. Because of Winter Storm Uri, the public comment period was extended from March 2, 2021 to March 16, 2021.
- For additional questions or information about the rulemaking, please contact Lindley Anderson of the Stationary Source Programs Team at lindley.anderson@tceq.texas.gov.

Request for Reasonably Available Control Measures Ideas

- The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) is requesting ideas for potential reasonably available control measures (RACM) that could be implemented in the Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW), Houston-Galveston-Brazoria (HGB), and San Antonio nonattainment areas. RACM is a requirement under the Federal Clean Air Act (FCAA), §172(c)(1) and is required for nonattainment areas with an ozone classification of moderate nonattainment and above. Potential RACM measures submitted to the TCEQ will be used to assist in nonattainment area planning for the 2008 and 2015 eight-hour ozone national ambient air quality standards. The deadline to submit RACM ideas is August 6, 2021 by 11:59 p.m.
- Information about this request and RACM idea submissions should be directed to Joseph Thomas at Joseph.Thomas@tceq.texas.gov and Anthony DeJesus at Anthony.Dejesus@tceq.texas.gov.

2021 Regional Haze SIP Revision

- On June 30, 2021, the commission adopted the 2021 Regional Haze SIP Revision (Project No. 2019-112-SIP-NR). The SIP revision demonstrates compliance with the regional haze requirements of FCAA, §169A and the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Regional Haze Rule for the second planning period. The SIP revision addresses regional haze in Big Bend and Guadalupe Mountains National Parks in Texas and Class I areas located outside Texas that may be affected by emissions from within the state.
- For additional questions or information about the rulemaking, please contact Margaret Earnest at Margaret.earnest@tceq.texas.gov.