

Failure to request a hearing for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on that objection. Each numbered objection for which a hearing is requested shall include a detailed description and analysis of the specific factual information intended to be presented in support of the objection in the event that a hearing is held. Failure to include such a description and analysis for any particular objection shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing on the objection. Three copies of all documents shall be submitted and shall be identified with the docket number found in brackets in the heading of this document. Any objections received in response to the regulation may be seen in the Dockets Management Branch between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

List of Subjects in 21 CFR Part 172

Food additives, Incorporation by reference, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Therefore, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and under authority delegated to the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, 21 CFR part 172 is amended as follows:

PART 172—FOOD ADDITIVES PERMITTED FOR DIRECT ADDITION TO FOOD FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION

1. The authority citation for 21 CFR part 172 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 321, 341, 342, 348, 371, 379e.

2. Section 172.833 is added to subpart I to read as follows:

§ 172.833 Sucrose acetate isobutyrate (SAIB).

Sucrose acetate isobutyrate may be safely used in foods in accordance with the following prescribed conditions:

(a) Sucrose acetate isobutyrate (CAS Reg. No. 27216-37-1), or SAIB, is the chemical *alpha*-D-glucopyranoside, O-acetyl-tris-O-(2-methyl-1-oxopropyl)-beta-D-fructofuranosyl, acetate tris(2-methyl propanoate).

(b) SAIB, a pale, straw-colored liquid, meets the following specifications:

(1) Assay: Not less than 98.8 percent and not more than 101.9 percent, based on the following formula:

$$\text{Assay} = ((\text{SV} \cdot 0.10586) \div 56.1) \times 100$$

Where SV = Saponification value

(2) Saponification value: 524-540 determined using 1 gram of sample by the "Guide to Specifications for General Notices, General Analytical Techniques, Identification Tests, Test Solutions, and Other Reference Materials," in the

"Compendium of Food Additive Specifications, Addendum 4, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Food and Nutrition Paper 5, Revision 2" (1991), pp. 203 and 204, which is incorporated by reference, in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies are available from the Office of Pre-market Approval, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-200), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, or may be examined at the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition's Library, 200 C St. SW., rm. 3321, Washington, DC, or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol St. NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

(3) Acid value: Not to exceed 0.20 determined using 50 grams of sample by the "Guide to Specifications for General Notices, General Analytical Techniques, Identification Tests, Test Solutions, and Other Reference Materials," in the "Compendium of Food Additive Specifications, Addendum 4, FAO Food and Nutrition Paper 5, Revision 2," p. 189 (1991), which is incorporated by reference; see paragraph (b)(2) of this section for availability of the incorporation by reference.

(4) Lead: Not to exceed 1.0 milligrams/kilogram determined by the "Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometric Graphite Furnace Method, Method I," in the "Food Chemicals Codex," 4th ed. (1996), pp. 763 and 764, with an attached modification to the sample digestion section in Appendix III.B (July 1996), which is incorporated by reference. Copies are available from the National Academy Press, 2101 Constitution Ave. NW., Box 285, Washington, DC 20055 (Internet "http://www.nap.edu"), or may be examined at the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition's Library, 200 C St. SW., rm. 3321, Washington, DC, or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol St. NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

(5) Triacetin: Not to exceed 0.10 percent determined by gas chromatography as described in the "Guide to Specifications for General Notices, General Analytical Techniques, Identification Tests, Test Solutions, and Other Reference Materials," in the "Compendium of Food Additive Specifications, Addendum 4, FAO Food and Nutrition Paper 5, Revision 2" (1991), pp. 13-26, which is incorporated by reference; see paragraph (b)(2) of this section for availability of the incorporation by reference.

(c) The food additive is used as a stabilizer (as defined in § 170.3(o)(8) of

this chapter) of emulsions of flavoring oils in nonalcoholic beverages.

(d) The total SAIB content of a beverage containing the additive does not exceed 300 milligrams/kilogram of the finished beverage.

Dated: May 27, 1999.

William K. Hubbard,

Associate Commissioner for Policy Coordination.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[AL-40-2-9909a; FRL-6352-5]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Alabama

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA is approving a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision for the State of Alabama. This revision consists of the 1990 base year ozone emission inventory for the Birmingham marginal ozone nonattainment area. The inventory was submitted to satisfy a Clean Air Act (CAA) requirement that states containing ozone nonattainment areas submit inventories of actual ozone precursor emissions in accordance with guidance from the EPA.

DATES: This direct final rule is effective August 3, 1999 without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse comment by July 6, 1999. If adverse comment is received, EPA will publish a timely withdrawal of the direct final rule in the **Federal Register** and inform the public that the rule will not take effect.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be addressed to Joey LeVasseur at the EPA, Region 4 Air Planning Branch, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Copies of the state submittal are available at the following addresses for inspection during normal business hours: The interested persons wanting to examine these documents should make an appointment with the appropriate office at least 24 hours before the visiting day. Reference file AL-40-2-9909. The Region 4 office may have additional background documents not available at the other locations.

Environmental Protection Agency,
Atlanta Federal Center, Region 4 Air
Planning Branch, 61 Forsyth Street
SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3104.

Alabama Department of Environmental Management, 1751 Congressman W. L. Dickinson Drive, Montgomery, Alabama 36109.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joey LeVasseur at 404/562-9035 or E-mail (levasseur.joey@epa.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Alabama submitted its 1990 base year emission inventory of ozone precursors to the EPA on November 13, 1992.

I. Background Information

Under the CAA as amended in 1990, states have the responsibility to inventory emissions contributing to nonattainment of a National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS), to track these emissions over time, and to ensure that control strategies are being implemented that reduce emissions and move areas towards attainment. The 1990 base year emissions inventory is the primary inventory from which the periodic inventory, the Reasonable Further Progress (RFP) projection inventory, and the modeling inventory are derived. Further information on these inventories and their purpose can be found in the "Emission Inventory Requirements for Ozone State Implementation Plans," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, March 1991. The base year inventory may also serve as part of statewide inventories for purposes of regional modeling in transport areas. The base year inventory plays an important role in modeling demonstrations for nonattainment areas. The air quality planning requirements for marginal to extreme ozone nonattainment areas are set out in section 182(a)-(e) of title I of the 1990 amendments to the CAA (title I). The EPA has issued a General Preamble describing the EPA's preliminary views on how the Agency intends to review SIP revisions submitted under title I, including requirements for the preparation of the 1990 base year inventory (see 57 FR 13502 (April 16, 1992) and 57 FR 18070 (April 28, 1992)). In this action, EPA will rely on the General Preamble's interpretation of the CAA, and the reader should refer to the General Preamble for a more detailed discussion of the interpretations of title I advanced in today's rule and the supporting rationale.

Those states containing ozone nonattainment areas classified as marginal to extreme are required under section 182(a)(1) of the CAA to submit a final, comprehensive, accurate, and

current inventory of actual ozone season, weekday emissions from all sources within 2 years of enactment (November 15, 1992). This inventory is for calendar year 1990 and is denoted as the base year inventory. It includes both anthropogenic and biogenic sources of volatile organic compounds (VOC), nitrogen oxides (NO_x), and carbon monoxide (CO). The inventory is to address actual VOC, NO_x, and CO emissions for the area during the ozone season, which is generally comprised of the summer months. All stationary point and area sources, as well as mobile sources within the nonattainment area, are to be included in the compilation. Guidance for preparing emission inventories is provided in the General Preamble (57 FR 13498 (April 16, 1992)).

II. Analysis of State Submission

A. Procedural Background

The CAA requires states to observe certain procedural requirements in developing emission inventory submissions to the EPA. Section 110(a)(2) of the CAA provides that each emission inventory submitted by a state must be adopted after reasonable notice and public hearing. Also section 172(c)(7) of the CAA requires that plan provisions for nonattainment areas meet the applicable provisions of section 110(a)(2).

On November 13, 1992, the State of Alabama submitted to the EPA as a SIP revision the 1990 base year inventory for the Birmingham marginal ozone nonattainment area.

B. Emission Inventory Review

Section 110(k) of the CAA sets out provisions governing the EPA's review of base year emission inventory submittals in order to determine approval or disapproval under section 182(a)(1) (see 57 FR 13565-13566 (April 16, 1992)). This section outlines the review procedures performed to determine if the base year emission inventories are acceptable. For a base year emission inventory to be acceptable it must pass all of the following acceptance criteria.

1. The state provided an approved Inventory Preparation Plan (IPP) and performed the Quality Assurance program contained in the IPP and documented its implementation.

2. The state provided adequate documentation that enabled the reviewer to determine the emission estimation procedures and the data sources used to develop the inventory.

3. The point source inventory must be complete.

4. The state must have prepared or calculated the point source emissions according to the current EPA guidance.

5. The area source inventory must be complete.

6. The state must have prepared or calculated the area source emissions according to the current EPA guidance.

7. The state must have prepared the biogenic emissions according to the current EPA guidance or another approved technique.

8. The method (e.g., Highway Performance Modeling System or a network transportation planning model) used to develop vehicle miles traveled (VMT) estimates must follow EPA guidance, which is detailed in the document, "Procedures for Emission Inventory Preparation, Volume IV: Mobile Sources," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Mobile Sources and Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, December 1992.

9. The state correctly used The MOBILE model to produce emission factors for each of the vehicle classes.

10. The state prepared the Non-road mobile emissions according to current EPA guidance for all of the source categories.

The emission inventory prepared by Alabama meets the ten criteria. Documentation of the EPA's evaluation, including details of the review procedure, is contained within the technical support document prepared for the Alabama 1990 base year inventory, which is available to the public as part of the docket supporting this action.

Alabama has submitted a complete inventory containing point, area, mobile and biogenic source data, and accompanying documentation. Emissions from these sources are presented in the following table.

EMISSION INVENTORY SUMMARY FOR
1990
[Tons per day]

	VOC	NO _x	CO
Point	61.83	408.98	179.87
Area	59.18	54.38	42.57
Mobile ...	94.23	60.34	585.11
Biogenic	200.29	NA	NA
Total	415.53	523.70	807.55

Alabama has satisfied all of the EPA's requirements for providing a comprehensive, accurate, and current inventory of actual ozone precursor emissions in the Birmingham marginal ozone nonattainment area. The

inventory is complete and approvable according to the criteria set out in the November 12, 1992, memorandum from J. David Mobley, Chief Emission Inventory Branch, TSD to G.T. Helms, Chief Ozone Carbon Monoxide Programs Branch, AQMD. In today's final action, the EPA is approving the SIP 1990 base year ozone emission inventory submitted by the State for the Birmingham area as meeting the requirements of section 182(a)(1) of the CAA.

Final Action

EPA is approving the aforementioned emissions inventory into the Alabama SIP. The EPA is publishing this rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. However, in the proposed rules section of this **Federal Register** publication, EPA is publishing a separate document that will serve as the proposal to approve the SIP revision should adverse comments be filed. This rule will be effective August 3, 1999 without further notice unless the Agency receives adverse comments by July 6, 1999.

If the EPA receives such comments, EPA will publish a document withdrawing the final rule and informing the public that the rule will not take effect. All public comments received will then be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on the proposed rule. The EPA will not institute a second comment period. Parties interested in commenting should do so at this time. If no such comments are received, the public is advised that this rule will be effective on August 3, 1999 and no further action will be taken on the proposed rule.

III. Administrative Requirements

A. Executive Order 12866

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has exempted this regulatory action from Executive Order (E.O.) 12866, entitled "Regulatory Planning and Review."

B. Executive Order 12875

Under Executive Order 12875, EPA may not issue a regulation that is not required by statute and that creates a mandate upon a State, local or tribal government, unless the Federal government provides the funds necessary to pay the direct compliance costs incurred by those governments, or EPA consults with those governments. If EPA complies by consulting, Executive Order 12875 requires EPA to provide to the Office of Management and Budget a

description of the extent of EPA's prior consultation with representatives of affected State, local and tribal governments, the nature of their concerns, copies of any written communications from the governments, and a statement supporting the need to issue the regulation. In addition, Executive Order 12875 requires EPA to develop an effective process permitting elected officials and other representatives of State, local and tribal governments "to provide meaningful and timely input in the development of regulatory proposals containing significant unfunded mandates."

Today's rule does not create a mandate on State, local or tribal governments. The rule does not impose any enforceable duties on these entities.

C. Executive Order 13084

Under Executive Order 13084, EPA may not issue a regulation that is not required by statute, that significantly or uniquely affects the communities of Indian tribal governments, and that imposes substantial direct compliance costs on those communities, unless the Federal government provides the funds necessary to pay the direct compliance costs incurred by the tribal governments, or EPA consults with those governments. If EPA complies by consulting, Executive Order 13084 requires EPA to provide to the Office of Management and Budget, in a separately identified section of the preamble to the rule, a description of the extent of EPA's prior consultation with representatives of affected tribal governments, a summary of the nature of their concerns, and a statement supporting the need to issue the regulation. In addition, Executive Order 13084 requires EPA to develop an effective process permitting elected officials and other representatives of Indian tribal governments "to provide meaningful and timely input in the development of regulatory policies on matters that significantly or uniquely affect their communities."

Today's rule does not significantly or uniquely affect the communities of Indian tribal governments. Accordingly, the requirements of section 3(b) of Executive Order 13084 do not apply to this rule.

D. Executive Order 13045

Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997), applies to any rule that: (1) Is determined to be "economically significant" as defined under E.O. 12866, and (2) concerns an environmental health or safety risk that

EPA has reason to believe may have a disproportionate effect on children. If the regulatory action meets both criteria, the Agency must evaluate the environmental health or safety effects of the planned rule on children, and explain why the planned regulation is preferable to other potentially effective and reasonably feasible alternatives considered by the Agency.

This rule is not subject to E.O. 13045 because it does not involve decisions intended to mitigate environmental health or safety risks.

E. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) generally requires an agency to conduct a regulatory flexibility analysis of any rule subject to notice and comment rulemaking requirements unless the agency certifies that the rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Small entities include small businesses, small not-for-profit enterprises, and small governmental jurisdictions. This final rule will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities because SIP approvals under section 110 and subchapter I, part D of the CAA do not create any new requirements but simply approve requirements that the State is already imposing. Therefore, because the Federal SIP approval does not create any new requirements, I certify that this action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Moreover, due to the nature of the Federal-State relationship under the CAA, preparation of flexibility analysis would constitute Federal inquiry into the economic reasonableness of state action. The Clean Air Act forbids EPA to base its actions concerning SIPs on such grounds. *Union Electric Co., v. U.S. EPA*, 427 U.S. 246, 255-66 (1976); 42 U.S.C. 7410(a)(2).

F. Unfunded Mandates

Under section 202 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 ("Unfunded Mandates Act"), signed into law on March 22, 1995, EPA must prepare a budgetary impact statement to accompany any proposed or final rule that includes a Federal mandate that may result in estimated annual costs to State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate; or to private sector, of \$100 million or more. Under section 205, EPA must select the most cost-effective and least burdensome alternative that achieves the objectives of the rule and is consistent with statutory requirements. Section 203 requires EPA to establish a plan for informing and

advising any small governments that may be significantly or uniquely impacted by the rule.

EPA has determined that the approval action promulgated does not include a Federal mandate that may result in estimated annual costs of \$100 million or more to either State, local, or tribal governments in the aggregate, or to the private sector. This Federal action approves pre-existing requirements under State or local law, and imposes no new requirements. Accordingly, no additional costs to State, local, or tribal governments, or to the private sector, result from this action.

G. Submission to Congress and the Comptroller General

The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. EPA will submit a

report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of the rule in the **Federal Register**. This rule is not a "major" rule as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

H. Petitions for Judicial Review

Under section 307(b)(1) of the Clean Air Act, petitions for judicial review of this action must be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit by August 3, 1999. Filing a petition for reconsideration by the Administrator of this final rule does not affect the finality of this rule for the purposes of judicial review nor does it extend the time within which a petition for judicial review may be filed, and shall not postpone the effectiveness of such rule or action. This action may not be challenged later in proceedings to enforce its requirements. (See section 307(b)(2).)

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Carbon monoxide, Hydrocarbons, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: March 30, 1999.

A. Stanley Meiburg,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.

40 CFR part 52 is amended as follows:

PART 52—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 52 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401-7641q.

Subpart B—Alabama

2. Section 52.50 is amended by revising the word "Delaware" in paragraph (a) to read "Alabama" and by adding a new paragraph (e) to read as follows:

§ 52.50 Identification of plan.

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(e) EPA-approved Alabama non-regulatory provisions.

Provision	State effective date	EPA approval date	Federal Register notice	Comments
Birmingham 1990 Baseline Emissions Inventory	November 13, 1992 ..	June 4, 1999	[Insert cite of publication].	

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 62

[FL-79-9918a; FRL-6352-7]

Approval and Promulgation of State Plans For Designated Facilities and Pollutants: Florida

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is approving the section 111(d) Plan submitted by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for the State of Florida on October 28, 1998, for implementing and enforcing the Emissions Guidelines (EG) applicable to existing Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Landfills. See 40 CFR part 60, subpart Cc.

DATES: This final rule is effective on August 3, 1999 unless significant, material, and adverse comments are received by July 6, 1999. If such adverse comments are received, timely notice of

the withdrawal will be published in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to: Joey LeVasseur, EPA Region 4, Air Planning Branch, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960. Copies of materials submitted to EPA may be examined during normal business hours at the following locations:

EPA Region 4, Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Air Resources Management Division, Twin Towers Office Building, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joey LeVasseur at (404) 562-9035 or Scott Davis at (404) 562-9127.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Under section 111(d) of the Clean Air Act (Act), EPA has established procedures whereby states submit plans to control certain existing sources of "designated pollutants." Designated pollutants are defined as pollutants for which a standard of performance for new sources applies under section 111, but which are not "criteria pollutants"

(i.e., pollutants for which National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) are set pursuant to sections 108 and 109 of the Act) or hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) regulated under section 112 of the Act. As required by section 111(d) of the Act, EPA established a process at 40 CFR part 60, subpart B, which states must follow in adopting and submitting a section 111(d) plan. Whenever EPA promulgates a new source performance standard (NSPS) that controls a designated pollutant, EPA establishes EG in accordance with 40 CFR 60.22 which contain information pertinent to the control of the designated pollutant from that NSPS source category (i.e., the "designated facility" as defined at 40 CFR 60.21(b)). Thus, a state, local, or tribal agency's section 111(d) plan for a designated facility must comply with the EG for that source category as well as 40 CFR part 60, subpart B.

On March 12, 1996, EPA published EG for existing MSW landfills at 40 CFR part 60, subpart Cc (40 CFR 60.30c through 60.36c) and NSPS for new MSW Landfills at 40 CFR part 60, subpart WWW (40 CFR 60.750 through 60.759). (See 61 FR 9905-9944.) The pollutants regulated by the NSPS and EG are MSW landfill emissions, which