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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Acid Rain Program: Acid Rain Compliance Plan

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of final nitrogen oxides compliance plans.

Phase I

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency is issuing, as a direct final action, nitrogen oxides (NOX) compliance plans in accordance with the Acid Rain Program regulations (40 CFR parts 72 and 76). Because the Agency does not anticipate receiving adverse comments, the compliance plans are being issued as a direct final action.

DATES: The NOX compliance plans issued in this direct final action will be final on January 10, 2000 unless significant, adverse comments are received by December 29, 1999. If significant, adverse comments are timely received on a NOX compliance plan in this direct final action, the relevant NOX compliance plan will be withdrawn through a notice in the Federal Register.

ADDRESSES: Administrative Records. The administrative record for the NOX compliance plans, except information protected as confidential, may be viewed during normal operating hours at U.S. EPA Region 4, 100 Alabama Street SW, Atlanta, GA 30303.

Comments. Send comments to Winston A. Smith, Director, Air, Pesticides, and Toxic Management Division at the address above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jenny Jachim, U.S. EPA Region 4, (404) 562-9126.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Significant, adverse public comments received on a NOX compliance plan in this direct final action that are timely received will be addressed in a subsequent approval or denial of a NOX compliance plan. Such approval or denial will be based on the draft NOX compliance plan in the notice of draft NOX compliance plan that is published elsewhere in today's Federal Register and that is identical to this direct final action.

U.S. EPA is issuing, under 40 CFR 76.11, a NOX averaging

plan with which the following units shall comply for compliance year 1999: units 1-4 at Arkwright in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the alternative contemporaneous annual emission limitation (ACEL) of 1.00 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1-4 shall not be greater than 652,199 mmBtu each; units 1-4 at Bowen in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.44 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1-4 shall not be less than 42,974,115, mmBtu, 39,890,926 mmBtu, 59,808,558 mmBtu, and 56,547,329 mmBtu respectively; unit 2 at Branch in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.80 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input shall not be greater than 13,635,168 mmBtu; units 4-7 at Crist in Florida, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.59 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 4-7 shall not be greater than 4,330,920 mmBtu, 3,518,988 mmBtu, 13,451,097 mmBtu, and 20,422,854 mmBtu respectively; units 1 and 2 at Daniel in Mississippi, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.30 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1 and 2 shall not be less than 21,244,417 mmBtu and 29,987,051 mmBtu respectively; units 1 and 2 at Gadsden in Alabama, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.67 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1 and 2 shall not be greater than 3,412,000 mmBtu and 2,160,000 mmBtu respectively; units 1-5 at Gaston in Alabama, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for units 1-4 shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.45 lb/mmBtu, and for unit 5, 0.48 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1-4 shall not be less than 13,871,000 mmBtu, 15,349,000 mmBtu, 13,799,000 mmBtu, 13,796,000 mmBtu respectively, and for unit 5, not greater than 46,496,000 mmBtu; units 1-4 at Hammond in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for units 1-3 shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.80 lb/mmBtu, and for unit 4, 0.50 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1-3 shall not be greater than 3,252,464 mmBtu each; units 1-3 at Kraft in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.60 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1-3 shall not be greater than 1,434,816 mmBtu each; units 1 and 2 at McDonough in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.45 lb/mmBtu; unit 1 at McIntosh in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.84 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input shall not be greater than 5,272,714 mmBtu; unit 3 at Mitchell in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.65 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input shall not be greater than 3,087,400 mmBtu; unit 3 at Scherer in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.32 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input shall not be less than 51,627,214 mmBtu; units 1 and 2 at Scholz in Florida, in which the actual

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annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.70 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1 and 2 shall not be greater than 723,608 mmBtu and 731,528 mmBtu respectively; units 1 and 2 at Wansley in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.43 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1 and 2 shall not be less than 43,995,205 mmBtu and 46,349,195 mmBtu respectively; units 4 and 5 at Watson in Mississippi, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.60 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 4 and 5 shall not be greater than 12,086,872 mmBtu and 20,127,887 mmBtu respectively; and units 1-7 at Yates in Georgia, in which the actual annual average rate for

~~NOX for units 1-7 shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.59 lb/mmBtu for units 1-3, 0.44 lb/mmBtu for units 4 and 5, and 0.36 lb/mmBtu for units 6 and 7, and the actual heat input for units 1-3 shall not be greater than 2,185,838 mmBtu for unit 1, and 2,694,591 mmBtu each for units 2 and 3, and not less than 4,188,728 mmBtu each for units 4 and 5, and 10,404,101 mmBtu and 11,655,498 mmBtu each for units 6 and 7, respectively. The Designated Representative is Charles D. McCrary.~~

U.S. EPA is also issuing, under 40 CFR 76.11, an additional NOX averaging plan with which the following units shall comply for compliance year 1999: units 1-4 at Gallatin in Tennessee, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.42 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1-4 shall not be less than 12,874,000 mmBtu, 14,938,000 mmBtu, 18,188,000 mmBtu, and 18,527,000 mmBtu respectively; units 1-5 at Colbert in Alabama, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit 1-4 shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.47 lb/mmBtu, and for unit 5, 0.49 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1-5 shall not be less than 12,412,000 mmBtu, 12,410,000 mmBtu, 12,189,000 mmBtu, 10,372,000 mmBtu, and 26,441,000 mmBtu respectively; and units 1-10 at Johnsonville in Tennessee, in which the actual annual average rate for NOX for each unit 1-10 shall not exceed the ACEL of 0.51 lb/mmBtu, and the actual heat input for units 1-10 shall not be greater than 7,469,000 mmBtu, 7,440,000 mmBtu, 7,390,000 mmBtu, 6,348,000 mmBtu, 5,590,000 mmBtu, 6,205,000 mmBtu, 8,880,000 mmBtu, 8,805,000 mmBtu, 8,534,000 mmBtu, and 8,451,000 mmBtu respectively. The Designated Representative is Joseph R. Bynum.

Under each plan, the actual Btu-weighted annual average NOX emission rate for the units in the plans shall be less than or equal to the Btu-weighted annual average NOX emission rate for the units had they each been operated, during the same period of time, in compliance with the applicable emission limitations under 40 CFR 76.5, 76.6, or 76.7.

Dated: November 18, 1999.

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