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BEFORE THE  
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

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IN RE: PROPOSED RULEMAKING VOC EMISSION STANDARDS FOR  
LARGE APPLIANCE AND METAL FURNITURE SURFACE COATING  
PROCESSES

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BEFORE: JANINE TULLOCH-REID, Engineer Manager

HEARING: Thursday, February 18, 2010  
1:05 p.m.

LOCATION: Department of Environmental Protection  
Southeast Regional Office  
Delaware Conference Room  
2 East Main Street  
Norristown, PA 19401

WITNESSES: None

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OPENING REMARKS

By Ms. Tulloch-Reid

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## P R O C E E D I N G S

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MS. TULLOCH-REID:

I would like to welcome you to the Environmental Quality Board's public hearing on proposed regulations concerning VOC Emission Standards for Large Appliances and Metal Surface Coating Processes. My name is Janine Tulloch-Reid. I am an Environmental Engineer Manager with the Department of Environment Protection's Southeast Regional Office. I am representing the EQB at today's hearing. I officially call this hearing to order at 1:05 p.m.

The purpose of this hearing is to formally accept testimony on proposed regulations concerning VOC Emission Standards for Large Appliance and Metal Furniture Surface Processes. In addition to this hearing, the EQB held similar hearings this week on this proposal on Tuesday, February 16, 2010, in Pittsburgh and on Wednesday, February 17, 2010, in Harrisburg.

The proposed ruling, which was adopted by the EQB on November 17, 2009, amends Title 25 Pennsylvania Code, Chapter 129 to limit emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) from the use and application of coatings and cleaning materials in

1 large appliance and metal furniture surface coating  
2 processes. Adoption of the VOC admission requirements  
3 in the rulemaking is part of the Commonwealth's  
4 strategy, in concert with other Ozone Transport Region  
5 (OTR) jurisdictions to further reduce the transport of  
6 VOC ozone precursors and ground-level ozone throughout  
7 the Ozone Transport Region and to attain and maintain  
8 the eight hour ozone national ambient air quality  
9 standard.

10                   The federal statutory or regulatory  
11 limits do not exist for VOCs from large appliance and  
12 metal furniture coating processes, however, the Clean  
13 Air Act and it's implementing regulations require that  
14 State Implementation Plans (SIPs) for nonattainment  
15 areas must include reasonably available control  
16 measures including reasonable available control  
17 technology (RACT) for sources of emissions. The Clean  
18 Air Act further requires that for moderate ozone  
19 nonattainment areas, states must revise their SIP to  
20 include RACT for sources of VOC emissions covered by a  
21 controlled technique guideline (CTG) document issued  
22 by EPA prior to the area's date of attainment. The  
23 Department has reviewed the recommendations included  
24 in the EPA's 2007 Control Techniques Guidelines for  
25 large appliance and metal furniture coatings and has

1 determined that the measures are appropriate to be  
2 implanted in the Commonwealth as RACT in this proposed  
3 ruling in order to reduce VOCs from the use and  
4 application of coatings and cleaning materials in  
5 large appliance and metal furniture surface coating  
6 processes. The regulation, when adopted by the Board  
7 as a final formal rulemaking, will be submitted to the  
8 EPA as a revision to the SIP.

9           There are four large appliance surface  
10 coating facilities and 16 metal furniture surface  
11 coating facilities in the Commonwealth that  
12 collectively emitted 68.5 tons of VOC in 2008 and may  
13 be subject to the notations included in the proposed  
14 rulemaking. It is estimated that implementations of  
15 the recommended control options of this rulemaking  
16 will reduce VOC emissions in Pennsylvania by 23 tons  
17 per year.

18           The Department discussed the rulemaking  
19 with Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee over the  
20 course of several meetings. On May 28, 2009 the  
21 committee concurred with the Department's  
22 recommendation to present the proposed amendments to  
23 the Board for approval as a proposed rulemaking.

24           In order to give every --- an equal  
25 opportunity to comment on this proposal, I would like

1 to establish the following ground rules. One, I will  
2 first call upon the witnesses who have pre-registered  
3 to testify at this hearing. After hearing these  
4 witnesses, I will provide any other interested parties  
5 with opportunity to testify as time allows. Two, the  
6 testimony is limited to ten minutes for each witness.  
7 Three, organizations are required to designate one  
8 witness to present testimony on its behalf. Four,  
9 each witness is asked to submit three copies of his or  
10 her testimony to aid in transcribing the hearing.  
11 Please hand me your copies prior to presenting your  
12 testimony. Five, please state your name, address and  
13 affiliation for the record prior to presenting your  
14 testimony. The EQB will appreciate your help by  
15 spelling names and terms that may not be generally  
16 familiar so that the transcript can be as accurate as  
17 possible. Six, because the purpose of the hearing is  
18 to receive comments on the proposal, EQB or DEP staff  
19 may question witnesses, however, the witness may not  
20 question the EQB or DEP staff.

21                   In addition to or in place of oral  
22 testimony presented at today's hearing, interested  
23 persons may also submit written comments on this  
24 proposal. All comments must be received by the EQB on  
25 or before March 22, 1010. Comments should be

1 addressed to the Environmental Quality Board, P.O. Box  
2 or Post Office Box 8477, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8477.  
3 Comments may also be e-mailed to RegComments, capital  
4 R-E-G, capital, C-O-M-M-E-N-T-S, at state.pa.us.

5 All comments received at this hearing as  
6 well as written comments received by March 22nd, 2010  
7 will be considered by the EQB and will be included in  
8 the Comment/Response document which will be prepared  
9 by the Department and reviewed by the EQB prior to the  
10 Board taking its final action. Anyone interested in  
11 receiving a copy of today's hearing may contact EQB  
12 for further information.

13 At this time, no one has pre-registered  
14 to testify or has indicated their interest to testify.  
15 I will keep the record open for at least 30 minutes in  
16 order to accommodate individuals that arrive to  
17 testify after the commencement of this hearing.

18 SHORT BREAK TAKEN

19 MS. TULLOCH-REID:

20 With no witnesses present on behalf of  
21 the EQB, I have hereby adjourned this hearing at 1:45  
22 p.m.

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24 HEARING CONCLUDED AT 1:45 P.M.

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Court Reporter