

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
TO GEORGIA'S RULES FOR AIR QUALITY CONTROL
CHAPTER 391-3-1

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Environmental Protection Division (hereinafter, "EPD") of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources proposes Amendments to Georgia's Rules for Air Quality Control, Chapter 391-3-1 (hereinafter, "the proposed Air Rule Amendments"). The proposed Air rule amendments include revisions to Rules 391-3-1-.01 and 391-3-1-.02 as follows:

Rule 391-3-1-.01 - Definitions, "Procedures for Testing and Monitoring Sources of Air Pollutants." This rule is being amended to include the most recent revision of the PTM under subparagraph (nnnn).

Rule 391-3-1-.02(14) - Clean Air Mercury Annual Trading Program. This rule is being added to adopt and implement the EPA's Clean Air Mercury Rule to address interstate transport of mercury emissions from coal-fired electric generating units.

Rule 391-3-1-.02(15) - Georgia Mercury Trading Rule. This rule is being added to implement an intra-state trading program for mercury emissions from coal-fired electric generating units.

Rule 391-3-1-.02(2)(sss) - Multipollutant Control for Electric Utility Steam Generating Units. This rule is being added to specify the implementation of specific air pollution control equipment for mercury, sulfur dioxide, and nitrogen oxides emissions from coal-fired electric generating units. This rule is intended to work in parallel with Rule 391-3-1-.02(14).

Rule 391-3-1-.02(2)(ttt) – Mercury Emissions from New Electric Generating Units. This rule is being added to require the case-by-case review of mercury control technology for new coal-fired electric generating units.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed Air rule amendments, a synopsis, and a statement of rationale of the rule revisions, is being provided to all persons who have requested in writing that they be placed on a notification list. These documents may be viewed at <http://gaepd.org/envirnet/1> or during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Air Protection Branch at 404/363-7000 or the Environmental Protection Division Director's Office at 1-888-373-5947.

To provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed Air rule amendments, a public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on January 30, 2007, in the EPD Training Center located at 4244 International Parkway, Suite 116, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. At the hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument either orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted in writing for the official record. Oral statements should be concise.

Written comments are welcomed. To insure their inclusion in EPD's package for the Board of Natural Resources, written comments should be received by close of business on February 16, 2007. Written comments may be emailed to EPDComments@dnr.state.ga.us or sent via regular mail addressed to: Branch Chief, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia, 30354.

The proposed Air rule amendments will be considered for adoption by the Board of Natural Resources at its meeting at 10:00 a.m. on March 28, 2007, in the DNR Board Room located at 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Suite 1252, East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. The meeting is open to the public.

The proposed Air rule amendments are proposed for adoption pursuant to authority contained in Georgia Air Quality Act (O.C.G.A. Section 12-9-1 et. seq.). For further information, contact the Air Protection Branch at 404/363-7000.