ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

LCB File No. R035-05

Effective October 31, 2005

EXPLANATION - Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 445B.210, 445B.760, 445B.770 and 445B.825; §§2 and 3, NRS 445B.210 and 445B.770.

A REGULATION relating to air pollution; exempting certain heavy-duty vehicles from certain provisions concerning engine emissions; revising the provisions requiring inspections of the engine emissions of certain motor vehicles which are based at addresses located within Clark County and Washoe County; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 445B.592 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445B.592 The provisions of subsection 3 of NAC 445B.576 and NAC 445B.593 to 445B.596, inclusive, do not apply to any:

- 1. Motorcycle or moped.
- 2. Motor vehicle which is subject to prorated registration pursuant to NRS 706.801 to 706.861, inclusive, and is not based in this State.
 - 3. New motor vehicle until the third registration of the vehicle.
- 4. Motor vehicle permanently converted from gasoline to propane, compressed natural gas (CNG), methane or butane as a fuel.
 - 5. Motor vehicle with a model year before 1968.
- 6. Heavy-duty motor vehicle that has a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of more than 10,000 pounds and that is powered by a diesel engine.

- **Sec. 2.** NAC 445B.593 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 445B.593 1. [On or after October 1, 1983,] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, persons who are registering or reregistering a used motor vehicle in Clark County must provide evidence of compliance with NAC 445B.400 to 445B.735, inclusive, for those vehicles [except for any] which are based at [addresses serviced by one of the following post offices:
- (a) Bunkerville;
- (b) Indian Springs;
- (c) Jean;
- (d) Goodsprings;
- (e) Logandale;
- (f) Mesquite; or
- —(g) Moapa.]:

an address:

- (a) Within the boundaries of Hydrographic Area 212, as established by the State Implementation Plan;
- (b) Within 5 miles of the boundaries of Hydrographic Area 212, as established by the State Implementation Plan; or
 - (c) Within the city limits of Boulder City.
- 2. A person who is registering or reregistering a used motor vehicle in Clark County is not required to provide evidence of compliance with NAC 445B.400 to 445B.735, inclusive, for the vehicle if the vehicle is based at an address within the community of Goodsprings.

- 3. The Department will establish and maintain a list by zip code of the addresses [which] in Clark County that are subject to the requirements of this section and the addresses in Clark County that are exempted from the requirements of this section.
- 4. As used in this section, "State Implementation Plan" means the plan adopted by the State of Nevada pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 7410 and 7502.
 - **Sec. 3.** NAC 445B.594 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 445B.594 1. [On or after October 1, 1983,] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, persons who are registering or reregistering used motor vehicles in Washoe County must provide evidence of compliance with NAC 445B.400 to 445B.735, inclusive, for those vehicles [except for any] which are based at an address that is south of the 40th degree of north latitude.
- 2. A person who is registering or reregistering a used motor vehicle in Washoe County is not required to provide evidence of compliance with NAC 445B.400 to 445B.735, inclusive, for the vehicle if the vehicle is based at [addresses serviced by one of the following post offices:
- —(a)] an address:
 - (a) Within the community of:
 - (1) Crystal Bay;
 - (b) (2) Empire;
 - (c) Gerlach;
- -(d) (3) Incline Village;
 - **(4)** Nixon;
 - [(e) Wadsworth; or
- (f) Incline Village.
- $\frac{2}{3}$ (5) Sutcliffe; or

- (6) Wadsworth; or
- (b) Which is serviced by a post office for any of the communities listed in paragraph (a).
- 3. The Department will establish and maintain a list by zip code of the addresses [which] inWashoe County that are subject to the requirements of this section and the addresses inWashoe County that are exempted from the requirements of this section.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PROPOSED REGULATION LCB File No. R035-05

The State Environmental Commission adopted regulations assigned LCB File No. R035-05 which pertain to chapter 445B of the Nevada Administrative Code on October 14, 2005.

Notice date: 8/30/2005 Date of adoption by agency: 10/14/2005

Hearing date: 10/4/2005 **Filing date:** 10/31/2005

INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT

This permanent regulation clarifies and updates the Inspection & Maintenance (I/M) provisions of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445B and brings them into alignment with the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS). The amendments bring diesel vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) from 8,500 up to and including 10,000 pounds into the I/M program as per Assembly Bill 36. It also aligns the Clark County I/M program area in the NAC with what is in the Nevada I/M State Implementation Plan as well as clarifies which areas are included in the Washoe County I/M program and which are exempt.

1. A description of how <u>public comment</u> was solicited, a summary of public response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP), Bureau of Air Quality Planning (BAQP) held workshops on the above referenced temporary regulation at the following locations.

Reno	Las Vegas
Friday, November 5, 2004 South Valleys	Wednesday, November 3, 2004
Library Conference Room	The Community College of S. Nevada
18100 Wedge Parkway Reno, NV	Conference Room A, Phase 5 Bldg
2:00 – 3:00 PM	3200 E Cheyenne Ave North Las Vegas, NV
	4:00 – 5:00 PM

The proposed regulation was also noticed by the State Environmental Commission (SEC) in the Las Vegas Review Journal (LVRJ) and Reno Gazette Journal (RGJ) newspapers on the following dates (September 05, 19, 26, 2005). The public was subsequently mailed a public notice and meeting agenda for the SEC regulatory hearing, which was held in Reno on October 04, 2005; the SEC mailing list was used for both mailings. At the SEC hearing, there were no public comments received by the Commission during the adoption of the referenced regulation.

2. The number persons who:

- (a) Attended October 04, 2005 hearing; 18
- (b) Testified on this Petition at the hearing: 1 (NDEP Staff)
- (c) Submitted to the agency written comments: (none)

3. A description of how comment was solicited from affected <u>businesses</u>, a summary of their response, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

Public workshops were held to explain the proposed changes and solicit opinion from the affected businesses, primarily large public fleets that operate diesel-powered pickup trucks in the 8500 to 10000 pound weight class. No public comments either oral or written were made at the workshops.

4. If the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulation without change.

No changes were proposed at the State Environmental Commission Hearing, either by NDEP staff, the public or the Commission. Consensus on the proposed changes was obtained prior to the Hearing, during the drafting and public workshop process.

- 5. The estimated economic effect of the adopted regulation on the business, which it is to regulate, and on the public.
- (a) <u>Regulated Business/Industry</u>. The proposed amendments will affect some government, business and industry fleets in areas that require emissions testing. In those parts of Washoe and Clark Counties that are subject to the emissions testing program, diesel-powered vehicles with a GVWR from 8,500 up to and including 10,000 pounds will be required to have an annual emissions test before registering. Affected fleets can choose to test their own vehicles or use an emissions testing station. Each year, DMV sets a maximum fee that stations can charge for an emissions test; the 2004 limits are \$39.00 in Clark County and \$36.00 in Washoe County.
- (b) <u>Public.</u> The proposed amendments will affect certain vehicle owners in areas that require emissions testing. In those parts of Washoe and Clark Counties that are subject to the emissions testing program, diesel-powered vehicles with a GVWR from 8,500 up to and including 10,000 pounds will be required to have an annual emissions test before registering. Each year, DMV sets a maximum fee that industry can charge for an emissions test; the 2004 limits are \$39.00 in Clark County and \$36.00 in Washoe County.
- 6. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the adopted regulation.

The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) implements the inspection and testing program for motor vehicles. There will be no additional costs to DMV for implementing this regulation.

7. A description of any regulations of other state or government agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating federal agency.

The regulation does not overlap or duplicate any regulations of other state, federal or local agencies.

8. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation, which regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.

The regulation is no more stringent than what is established by federal law.

9. If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.

Fees collected by the DMV from the emissions testing program are used as specified in NRS 445B.830.