LCB File No. R124-98

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON REGULATIONS NEVADA STATE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION NOTICE OF HEARING

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The proposed permanent regulation is not anticipated to have any significant adverse short or long term economic impact on Nevada businesses. The proposed regulation should make it easier for affected businesses to comply by simplifying the requirements. The adoption of this regulation is not anticipated to have a direct short or long term adverse economic impact upon the public. The proposed regulations do not overlap or duplicate any regulations of another state or local governmental agency. The regulations are no more stringent than federal regulations. The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Public Law 94-580 was passed by Congress in 1976. Revision of the state hazardous waste regulations is required pursuant to 40 CFR 271.4. This provision requires an U.S. EPA approved state hazardous waste program to be consistent with federal regulations. When federal hazardous waste regulations are revised, state regulations must be updated in accordance with the procedures in 40 CFR 271.21 to remain consistent. There is no additional cost to the agency for enforcement. This regulation does not add a new fee, nor increase an existing fee.

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The proposed amendments are not anticipated to have a significant adverse short or long term economic impact on Nevada businesses. The addition of a public notice and comment period will likely extend the application review process which may impose additional minimal costs on the hazardous waste recycler. The proposed amendments are not anticipated to have a adverse short or long term impact upon the general public. The public will receive a benefit from the information obtained during the public participation process. The amendments are intended to lessen any adverse effects that hazardous waste recycling facilities may have on the public. There will be minor additional costs to the division of environmental protection in providing notice to the public and maintaining a mailing list. These costs are expected to be covered by the application review fees already established for the purpose of reviewing the written determination. proposed amendments are consistent with, and in addition to, those of the federal government. The proposed amendments do not duplicate or overlap any other existing state regulations. The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Public Law 94-580 was passed by Congress in 1976. Revision of the state hazardous waste regulations is required pursuant to 40 CFR 271.4. This provision requires a U.S. EPA approved state hazardous waste program to be consistent with federal regulations. When federal hazardous waste regulations are revised, state regulations must be updated in accordance with the procedures in 40 CFR 271.21 to remain consistent. This regulation does not add a new fee, nor increase an existing fee.

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The proposed regulation will have a positive short and long term economic impact on the regulated facilities. The amendments will simplify the processes for assuring that major stationary sources are in compliance with all applicable air quality requirements. The adoption of this regulation is not anticipated to have a direct short or long term adverse economic impact upon the public. The proposed regulations will be consistent with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency statute 42 USC 7401-7671 and the Federal Clean Air Act Titles I-VII.

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PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Petition 98008

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

Authority: NRS 459.485, 459.490 and 459.500

Section 1. NAC 444.8427 is hereby amended to read as follows:

444.8427 Facility for community recycling" means a facility for recycling hazardous waste which has a yearly capacity that is not more than twice the amount of the type of hazardous waste proposed to be recycled that is generated within the region in this state in which the facility is or is proposed to be located, as determined by the generation rate contained in the biennial report required by the provisions of 40 C.F.R. § 262.41, as that section existed on July 1, [1997] 1998.

Sec. 2. NAC 444.84275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

444.84275 Facility for community storage" means a facility for the storage and consolidation of hazardous waste which has a yearly capacity that is not more than twice the amount of hazardous waste that is generated within the county in which the facility is or is proposed to be located, as determined by the generation rate contained in the biennial report required by the provisions of 40 C.F.R. § 262.41, as that section existed on July 1, [1997] 1998.

- **Sec. 3.** NAC 444.850 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 444.850 As used in NAC 444.850 to 444.8746, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires:
- 1. The words and terms defined in NAC 444.8505 to 444.861, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.
- 2. Except for the words and terms otherwise defined in NAC 444.8505 to 444.861, inclusive, the words and terms defined in 40 C.F.R. § 260.10, as it existed on July 1, [1997] 1998, have the meanings ascribed to them in that section.
 - **Sec. 4.** NAC 444.8632 is hereby amended to read as follows: 444.8632 Compliance with federal regulations adopted by reference.
- 1. In addition to the requirements of NAC 444.850 to 444.8746, inclusive, any person who generates, transports, treats, stores, disposes or otherwise manages hazardous waste or used oil shall comply with all applicable requirements of, and may rely upon applicable exclusions or exemptions under 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart A, Part 124, Subparts A and B, Parts 260 to 270, inclusive, Part 273 and Part 279, as those provisions existed on July 1, [1997] 1998, which, except as modified by NAC 444.86325, 444.8633 and 444.8634, are hereby adopted by reference. The state environmental commission may use federal statutes and regulations that are cited in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart A, Part 124, Subparts A and B, Parts 260 to 270, inclusive, Part 273 and Part 279, to interpret these sections and parts.
- 2. The volumes containing these parts may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, for the following prices:

End of Petition 98008