

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

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Diesel Vehicle Idling; and Auxiliary Power Systems; Notice of Withdrawal

The Environmental Quality Board (Board) announces its withdrawal of the Diesel Vehicle Idling final-rulemaking (7-422) from review by the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (IRRC) and the Standing Environmental Resources and Energy Committees. On October 9, 2008, Governor Rendell signed into law, the Diesel-Powered Motor Vehicle Idling Act (act) (P.L. 1511, No. 124). The act establishes provisions that are substantially similar to the Board's final-rulemaking, which was approved by the Board on September 16, 2008. To avoid unnecessary confusion that may result with the simultaneous implementation of both the legislation and regulations, the Board is withdrawing the final-form rulemaking, which shall in effect, prevent IRRC and the Standing Committees from taking further action on the final-rulemaking. The Board's diesel vehicle idling rulemaking was initiated by a rulemaking petition submitted to the Board on October 18, 2006, by the Clean Air Board of Central Pennsylvania.

Interested individuals may obtain additional information concerning the Board's withdrawal of the Diesel Vehicle Idling final-form rulemaking by contacting Michele Tate, Department of Environmental Protection, Regulatory Coordinator, at (717) 783-8727 or at mtate@state.pa.us.

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