

NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING
TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF AIR POLLUTION CONTROL

There will be a public hearing before the Technical Secretary of the Tennessee Air Pollution Control Board to consider amendments to the [proposed Regional Haze SIP](#) to protect visibility in Class I areas pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-201-105. The comments received at this hearing will be presented to the Tennessee Air Pollution Control Board for their consideration. The hearing will be conducted in the manner prescribed by the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-5-201 et. seq. and will take place in the 9th Floor Conference Room of the L & C Annex, located at 401 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1531 at 10:00 a.m. on May 7, 2012.

Written comments will be included in the hearing records if received by the close of business (4:30 PM CDT) May 7, 2012, at the office of the Technical Secretary, Tennessee Air Pollution Control Board, 9th Floor, L & C Annex, 401 Church Street, Nashville, TN 37243-1531.

Any individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these proceedings (or to review these filings) should contact the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such participation. Such initial contact may be in person, by writing, telephone, or other means, and should be made no less than ten (10) days prior to May 7, 2012, or the date such party intends to review such filings, to allow time to provide such aid or service. Contact the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation ADA Coordinator, 12th Floor, 401 Church Street, Nashville TN 37243, (615) 532-0207. Hearing impaired callers may use the Tennessee Relay Service (1-800-848-0298).

If you have any questions about the proposed Regional Haze SIP documents you may contact Mr. Quincy Styke at (615) 532-0562. Copies of documents concerning these matters are available for review at the office of the Technical Secretary and at certain public depositories. For information about reviewing these documents, please contact Mr. Malcolm Butler, 9th Floor, L & C Annex, 401 Church Street, Nashville, TN 37243-1531, telephone (615) 532-0600.

Summary of Proposed Change

Regional haze is fine particle pollution that impairs visibility over a large region including Class I areas such as national parks and wilderness areas. Sources of haze-forming emissions include coal-fired power plants, industrial boilers, and mobile source emissions. U. S. EPA's regional haze rule requires states to demonstrate reasonable progress toward meeting the national goal of a return to natural visibility conditions by 2064. The rule directs states to show a uniform rate of progress toward natural conditions for each Class I area in Tennessee and for certain areas in other states.

[Regional Haze State Implementation Plans \(SIPs\)](#) must include an assessment of baseline visibility conditions and a monitoring strategy for measuring, characterizing, and reporting of regional haze visibility impairment. States must also consider ongoing control programs, measures to mitigate construction activities, source retirement and replacement schedules, smoke management programs for agriculture and forestry, and enforceability of specific measures.

This will be the third public hearing for Tennessee's Regional Haze SIP, and this hearing is limited to the proposed changes to the Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) requirements for Powerhouse B-253 at Eastman Chemical Company in Kingsport, Tennessee. The proposed revisions provide Eastman Chemical Company the option to repower this powerhouse from coal to natural gas if it is determined to be necessary to comply with other federal requirements. At both Class I areas in Tennessee, visibility improvements on the worst days are expected to be better than the uniform rate of progress glide path by 2018 based solely on reductions from existing and planned emissions controls.

Revisions considered at this hearing may be adopted by the Tennessee Air Pollution Control Board under T.C.A. 68-201-105, the Board general authority to promulgate rules.

Materials concerning the proposed additions and/or revisions will be available for public inspection during normal working hours starting April 5, 2012, at the following locations and on this website:

Air Pollution Control Division 9th Floor, L & C Annex 401 Church Street Nashville, TN 37243	Chattanooga – Hamilton County Air Pollution Control Bureau 6125 Preservation Drive Chattanooga, TN 37416	Air Pollution Control Division Cookeville EFO 1221 South Willow Ave. Cookeville, TN 38506
Air Pollution Control Division Knoxville EFO 3711 Middlebrook Pk Knoxville, TN 37921	Air Pollution Control Division Johnson City EFO 2305 Silverdale Road Johnson City, TN 37601 - 2162	Air Pollution Control Division Jackson EFO 1625 Hollywood Drive Jackson, TN 38305
Air Pollution Control Division Columbia EFO 1421 Hampshire Pike Columbia, TN 38401	Knox County Department of Air Pollution Control 140 Dameron Avenue Knoxville, TN 37917-6413	Division Air Pollution Control Memphis - Shelby Co. Health Dept. 814 Jefferson Avenue Memphis, TN 38105
Air Pollution Control Division Chattanooga EFO Suite 550 540 McCallie Ave. Chattanooga, TN 37402 - 2013	Pollution Control Division Metropolitan Health Department 311 23rd Ave. North Nashville, TN 37203	U.S. EPA, Region IV APTMD - 12th Floor Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303 c/o Mr. Scott R. Davis, Chief
Air Pollution Control Division Nashville EFO 711 R. S. Gass Blvd. Nashville, TN 37243	Kingsport Public Library 400 Broad Street Kingsport, TN 37660	

All persons interested in the air quality of the State of Tennessee are urged to attend and will be afforded the opportunity to present testimony to the hearing officer regarding the revisions to the proposed Regional Haze State Implementation Plan (SIP) to protect visibility in Class I areas. Any person desiring to present lengthy comments should be prepared at the hearing to offer a written statement to be incorporated into the record. Written statements not presented at the hearings will only be considered part of the records if received by 4:30 p.m. CDT May 7, 2012, at the office of the Technical Secretary, Tennessee Air Pollution Control Board, 9th Floor L & C Annex, 401 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee, 37243-1531.