

**SYNOPSIS OF  
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
AIR QUALITY CONTROL, CHAPTER 391-3-1**

**Subparagraph (b), “Sulfur Dioxide,” of Rule 391-3-1-.02(4), “Ambient Air Standards,”** is being amended.

**Purpose:** This rule is being revised to remove the 1971 annual and 24-hour ambient air quality primary standards for sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) because the federal revocation of these standards was effective on April 30, 2022.

**Main Features:** To be consistent with the federal standards, subparagraphs (4)(b)1. and (4)(b)2. are being revised to remove the 1971 annual and 24-hour SO<sub>2</sub> standards. The subsequent subparagraphs are being renumbered.

**Rule 391-3-1-.02(8), “New Source Performance Standards,”** is being amended.

**Purpose:** This rule is being revised to adopt the Federal Performance Standards into the Georgia Rules by reference to ensure consistency between the State and Federal programs.

**Main Features:** Subparagraphs (8)(b)15. for Volatile Organic Liquid Storage Vessels (Including Petroleum Liquid Storage Vessels) for Which Construction, Reconstruction, or Modification Commenced After July 23, 1984; (8)(b)77. for Stationary Compression Ignition Internal Combustion Engines; and (8)(b)79. for Stationary Spark Ignition Internal Combustion Engines are being revised to reflect the latest amendment dates of the incorporated Federal rules.

**Rule 391-3-1-.02(9), “Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants,”** is being amended.

**Purpose:** This rule is being revised to adopt the Federal Emission Standards into the Georgia Rules by reference to ensure consistency between the State and Federal programs.

**Main Features:** Subparagraphs (9)(b)15. for General Provisions; (9)(b)65. for Generic Maximum Achievable Control Technology Standards; (9)(b)101. for Surface Coating of Automobiles and Light-Duty Trucks; (9)(b)103. for Surface Coating of Metal Cans; (9)(b)114. for Boat Manufacturing; (9)(b)129. for Clay Ceramics Manufacturing; (9)(b)131. for Flexible Polyurethane Foam Fabrication Operations; (9)(b)137. for Refractory Products Manufacturing; and (9)(b)159. for Flexible Polyurethane Foam Production and Fabrication Area Sources are being revised to reflect the latest amendment dates of the incorporated Federal rules.

**STATEMENT OF RATIONALE**  
**Rules for Air Quality Control**

**Rule 391-3-1-.02(4) – Ambient Air Standards.**

The basis of this rule is to adopt ambient air standards for Georgia that are consistent with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards. The purpose of this revision is to be consistent with federal standards by removing the 1971 annual and 24-hour ambient air quality primary standards for SO<sub>2</sub>, which were revoked by EPA effective April 30, 2022.

**Rule 391-3-1-.02(8) – New Source Performance Standards.**

The basis of this rule is to adopt the Federal New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) by reference. The purpose of this revision is to include the latest amendment dates and all associated changes into the Georgia rules.

**Rule 391-3-1-.02(9) – Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants.**

The basis of this rule is to adopt the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) by reference. The purpose of this revision is to include the latest amendment dates and all associated changes into the Georgia rules.

The proposed rule revisions are required to comply with federal requirements or are administrative in nature. They are in no way any more restrictive than the federal requirements. They do not incur any additional costs to the regulated industry, local government, or public other than those required to meet the federal rule.