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Facts About...

Repeal of COMAR 26.11.33 – Architectural Coatings

Purpose of this Action

The purpose of this action is to repeal the entire Chapter including Regulations .01 - .14 from COMAR 26.11.33 – Architectural Coatings, which is superseded by COMAR 26.11.39 – Architectural and Industrial Maintenance (AIM) Coatings.

Submission to EPA as Revision to Maryland's SIP

This repeal will be submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for approval as part of Maryland's State Implementation Plan. COMAR 26.11.39 has already been proposed to EPA as the replacement.

Background

In 2004, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) adopted COMAR 26.11.33 - Architectural Coatings which established VOC content limits for architectural and industrial coatings, established recordkeeping and container labeling requirements for manufactures of paints and coatings, and painting practices for the use and application of coatings. COMAR 26.11.33 is based on the 2001 model rule developed by the OTC.

On March 24, 2016, the Department adopted COMAR 26.11.39 – Architectural and Industrial Maintenance (AIM) Coatings, which incorporates Phase II of the OTC AIM 2011 model rule. Rather than amend the existing AIM regulations in COMAR 26.11.33, the Department decided to create a new chapter (COMAR 26.11.39) to seamlessly update the new product categories and standards of the Phase II OTC AIM 2011 model rule. The Department maintained COMAR 26.11.33 until January 1, 2017, when the standards and requirements of COMAR 26.11.39 became effective.

Expected Emissions Reductions

None.

Economic Impact on Affected Sources, Small Businesses, the Department, other State Agencies, Local Government, other Industries or Trade Groups, the Public

The proposed action has no economic impact. As of January 1, 2017, affected sources are subject to the requirements and standards in COMAR 26.11.39 - Architectural and Industrial Maintenance (AIM) Coatings.