

PROPOSED REVISION TO THE STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
FOR MAINTAINING THE CARBON MONOXIDE NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY
STANDARD FOR THE YEARS 2007-2017 IN PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

Public Hearing

Ambient levels of carbon monoxide above the federal health-based standard are a serious human health threat. Effective March 15, 1996 the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) identified all areas of the City of Philadelphia as meeting this federal health-based standard. Included in this process was a revision to the state implementation plan (SIP) that would assure continued compliance with this health-based standard through 2007. The Philadelphia Department of Public Health is now seeking public comment on a proposed SIP revision that will ensure continued compliance for the years 2007 through 2017. The documentation contains a demonstration that the federal health-based standard will be maintained through 2017.

The Department will hold a public hearing to receive comments on this SIP revision at 6:00 PM on August 16, 2004 at the following location:

1st Floor Large Conference Room
Medical Examiner Office
Spelman Building
321 University Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19104

The public hearing will continue to the conclusion of testimony. Persons wishing to present testimony at the hearing should contact Irene Malone at the Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Air Management Services (AMS), 321 University Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19104, (215) 685-7585 by August 13, 2004 to reserve a time to present testimony. If you do not reserve a time, you will be able to testify after pre-registrants. Oral testimony will be limited to 10 minutes for each witness. Witnesses are required to submit three copies of their testimony to the hearing chairperson at the hearing. Organizations are limited to designating one witness to present testimony on their behalf at the hearing.

Persons with a disability who wish to attend the hearing and require an auxiliary aid, service, or other accommodation in order to participate in the proceeding should contact AMS at the telephone above. TDD users may contact the AT&T Relay Service at 800-654-5984 to discuss how AMS can best accommodate their needs.

The proposal and other supporting information are available for inspection at the offices of Air Management Services (AMS), 321 University Avenue, 2nd floor, Philadelphia, PA 19104, during normal business hours. This proposal is also available on the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection website at <http://www.dep.state.pa.us> (Keyword: clean air plans). For further information, please contact: Mr. Thomas Weir, Chief of Program Services, (215) 685-9439. Persons wishing to submit written comments should send the comments to Mr. Thomas Weir, Chief of Program Services, 321 University Avenue, 2nd floor, Philadelphia, PA 19104 or e-mail them to thomas.weir@phila.gov. All written or e-mail comments must be received no later than close of business on August 16, 2004. Comments received by facsimile will not be accepted.