

State of Rhode Island
Department of Environmental Management
Office of Air Resources

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Office of Air Resources offers an opportunity for public comment regarding its proposal to issue a revised Emissions Cap for the following stationary source:

Providence Veterans Affairs Medical Center, 830 Chalkstone Avenue, Providence, RI

Emissions Cap No. 113-2016 for the Providence Veterans Affairs Medical Center is being revised to address a newly installed emergency generator. Emissions Cap No, 113-2016 was originally issued on 3 July 2009.

“Operating Permits” 250-RICR-120-05-29 contains provisions to allow sources to apply for an emissions cap. An emissions cap must be federally enforceable and include some combination of production and/or operational limitations to ensure that emissions are limited by quantifiable and enforceable means. An emissions cap relieves the stationary source from the requirement to obtain an operating permit.

The public comment period for the revised emissions cap will begin today and continue until 11 October 2019. A public hearing for interested persons to appear and submit written or oral comments on the draft emissions cap will be held if requested by 10 or more persons, or by a governmental subdivision or agency or by an association having not less than 10 members. Any interested person may request that a public hearing be held.

Written comments to be considered part of the record must be submitted during the public comment period. Written comments or requests for a hearing may be sent to the Office of Air Resources at the address below until 4:00 PM, 11 October 2019, at which time the public comment period will close.

The draft emissions caps are available for inspection at the Office of Air Resources, 235 Promenade Street, Providence RI from 8:30am to 4:00pm. For more information, contact either David DelSesto or Richard Younkin at (401)222-2808 (toll free 1-800-752-8088, TTY 711).

Signed this 10th day of September 2019

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