

Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee

to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

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Re: Proposed Rulemaking for Control of VOC Emissions from Flexible Packaging Printing Presses and Offset Lithographic Printing and Letterpress Printing Presses (FPP-LLP rulemaking)

Dear Secretary Hanger:

On December 16, 2010, the Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee (Committee) discussed proposed amendments to 25 *Pa. Code* Chapters 121 and 129 (relating to general provisions; and standards for sources). The proposed rulemaking would add provisions to Chapter 129 to establish emission limits and work practice standards for flexible packaging printing presses and offset lithographic and letterpress printing presses. These provisions are consistent with the volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions control recommendations of the 2006 control techniques guidelines for these two categories issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency to meet the Clean Air Act "reasonably available control measures" requirement for ozone nonattainment areas.

The proposed amendments would add §§ 129.67a and 129.67b (relating to control of VOC emissions from flexible packaging printing presses; and control of VOC emissions from offset lithographic printing and letterpress printing presses). The proposed rulemaking would also add definitions to § 121.1 (relating to definitions) and make minor changes to §§ 129.51 and 129.67 (relating to general; and graphic arts systems) to support the flexible packaging printing and offset lithographic and letterpress printing presses provisions added to Chapter 129.

The Committee voted 9-0-2 to concur with the Department's recommendation to present the draft proposed FPP-LLP rulemaking, with consideration of the issues discussed by the Committee and identified in the minutes, to the Environmental Quality Board for consideration for publication as a proposed rulemaking.

Sincerely,



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Chair