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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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[EPA-R06-OAR-2015-0585; FRL-9960-21-Region 6]

**Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Revisions to Emissions
Banking and Trading Programs and Compliance Flexibility**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Clean Air Act (CAA or the Act), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve revisions to the Texas State Implementation Plan (SIP) Emissions Banking and Trading Programs submitted on July 15, 2002; December 22, 2008; April 6, 2010; May 14, 2013; and August 14, 2015. Specifically, we are proposing to approve revisions to the Texas Emission Credit, Mass Emissions Cap and Trade, Discrete Emission Credit, and Highly Reactive Volatile Organic Compound Emissions Cap and Trade Programs such that the Texas SIP will include the current state program regulations promulgated and implemented in Texas. We are also proposing to approve compliance flexibility provisions for stationary sources using the Texas Emission Reduction Plan submitted on July 15, 2002; May 30, 2007; and July 10, 2015.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by EPA-R06-OAR-2015-0585, at <http://www.regulations.gov> or via email to wiley.adina@epa.gov. For additional information on

how to submit comments see the detailed instructions in the **ADDRESSES** section of the direct final rule located in the rules section of this **Federal Register**.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the final rules section of this **Federal Register**, the EPA is approving the State's SIP submittal as a direct rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no relevant adverse comments are received in response to this action no further activity is contemplated. If the EPA receives relevant adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. The EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

For additional information, see the direct final rule which is located in the rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: April 27, 2017.

Samuel Coleman,
Acting Regional Administrator, Region 6.

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