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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9963-35-Region 3]

Clean Air Act Operating Permit Program; Petition to Object to Title V Permit for Scrubgrass Generating Company; Pennsylvania

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of final action.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator signed an Order, dated May 12, 2017, granting a petition to object to a state operating permit issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) to the Scrubgrass Generating Company for its facility in Kennerdell, Pennsylvania. The Order responds to a May 4, 2016 petition. The petition was submitted by the Sierra Club (Petitioner). This Order constitutes final action on that petition requesting that the Administrator object to the issuance of the proposed CAA title V permit.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the final Order, the petition, and all pertinent information relating thereto are on file at the following location: EPA, Region III, Air Protection Division (APD), 1650 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103. EPA requests that if at all possible, you contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER**

INFORMATION CONTACT section to view copies of the final Order, petition, and other supporting information. You may view the hard copies Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., excluding Federal holidays. If you wish to examine these documents, you should make an appointment at least 24 hours before the visiting day.

The final Order is also available electronically at the following web site:

<https://www.epa.gov/title-v-operating-permits/title-v-petition-database>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Talley, Air Protection Division, EPA Region III, telephone (215) 814-2117, or by e-mail at talley.david@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The CAA affords EPA a 45-day period to review and object to, as appropriate, operating permits proposed by state permitting authorities. Section 505(b)(2) of the CAA authorizes any person to petition the EPA Administrator within 60 days after the expiration of this review period to object to a state operating permit if EPA has not done so. Petitions must be based only on objections raised with reasonable specificity during the public comment period, unless the petitioner demonstrates that it was impracticable to raise these issues during the comment period or that the grounds for objection or other issue arose after the comment period.

The May 4, 2016 petition requested that the Administrator object to the proposed title V operating permit issued by PADEP (Permit No. 61-00181), on the grounds that the proposed permit contains a condition whereby Scrubgrass would be improperly permitted a three-year compliance extension for the hydrochloric acid/sulfur dioxide emission limit pursuant to subpart UUUUU (National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Coal- and Oil-Fired Electric Utility Steam Generating Units) of 40 CFR part 63.

The Order granting the petition to object to the state operating permit to the Scrubgrass
Generating Company explains the reasons behind EPA's decision to grant the petition for
objection

Dated: May 19, 2017.

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Acting Regional Administrator

Region III

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