EPA OAQPS Call about Gas Turbine Rulemaking - September 21, 2016

The U.S. EPA Landfill Methane Outreach Program (LMOP) is providing notification of an upcoming conference call hosted by the U.S. EPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) on a regulation that may affect landfill gas-fired turbines. Please note that this is not an LMOP meeting, rather LMOP is providing notification for informational purposes only.

Conference Call: September 21, 2016

The U.S. EPA OAQPS is holding a conference call to provide information to interested stakeholders regarding the upcoming “Risk and Technology Review” of air toxics emission standards for stationary turbines, including those that are fueled by landfill gas. Information provided will include the status and schedule for the rulemaking.

The conference call will be at 1:00-2:00 PM (ET) on Wednesday, September 21, 2016. The toll-free call-in number is 866-299-3188 and the conference code is 919 541 5536. Please contact Melanie King, EPA at king.melanie@epa.gov with any questions.

Background:
The U.S. EPA is initiating the Risk and Technology Review for the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Stationary Combustion Turbines (40 CFR part 63, subpart YYYY). Subpart YYYY applies to stationary combustion turbines, including those that are fueled by landfill gas, located at major sources of hazardous air pollutants (HAP). A major source of HAP is a contiguous site under common control that emits or has the potential to emit any single HAP at a rate of 10 tons or more per year or any combination of HAP at a rate of 25 tons or more per year. Subpart YYYY was originally promulgated in 2004.

The Risk and Technology Review is a combined effort to evaluate both risk and technology as required by the Clean Air Act (CAA) after the application of maximum achievable control technology standards. Section 112(f)(2) of the CAA directs EPA to conduct risk assessments on each source category subject to MACT standards, and to determine if additional standards are needed to reduce residual risks. Section 112(d)(6) of the CAA requires EPA to review and revise the MACT standards, as necessary, taking into account developments in practices, processes and control technologies.

More information on Risk and Technology Reviews is available at https://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/rrisk/rtrpg.html.

More information regarding the original subpart YYYY rulemaking is available at https://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/turbine/turbinepg.html.

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