

UPDATE: In the abundance of caution, to address protective measures to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, the Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality (DAQ), is providing notice to extend the comment period to May 8, 2020 and rescheduling the public hearing initially scheduled for March 17, 2020 and March 18, 2020, which were cancelled due to Covid-19 social distancing concerns, and is now rescheduled as a digital public hearing to receive comment on the adoption of the *Control of Emissions from Log Fumigation Operations* rule, the amendment of the *Toxic Air Pollutant Guidelines* rule, and the accompanying fiscal note. The public hearing will be held via Cisco's WebEx teleconferencing service instead of an in-person meeting.

Rescheduled Public Hearing for the Control of Emissions from Log Fumigation Operations Rule

Purpose: To receive comments on the adoption of 15A NCAC 02D .0546, *Control of Emissions from Log Fumigation Operations*, the amendment of 15A NCAC 02D .1104, *Toxic Air Pollutant Guidelines*, and on the accompanying fiscal note.

Background: On January 9, 2020, the Environmental Management Commission (EMC) approved proceeding to public comment on the adoption of the *Control of Emissions from Log Fumigation Operations* rule and the amendment of the *Toxic Air Pollutant Guidelines* rule and revised fiscal note.

The original public notice and description of the rules were previously published in *North Carolina Register Volume 33, Issue 24*.

Comment Period Duration: Monday, February 3, 2020 – Friday, May 8, 2020

The date and time of the digital public hearing is:

Monday May 4, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

Participants can join the meeting starting at 5:45 P.M.

WebEx link:

<https://ncdenrits.webex.com/ncdenrits/onstage/g.php?MTID=e296a5f2baee634a3b0baca4710cad625>

Meeting number (access code): 614 804 792

Meeting password: NCDAQ

**If you wish to speak at the digital public hearing, you must register, provide the required information, and follow instructions on ways to join the public hearing. Registration must be completed by 12:00 pm on May 4, 2020. To register, please click the following link:*

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=31F2etC5mkSFw-zCbNftGcdRQfzEdNdMhe982T18CERUNEhBWDFOOVBKUdVVFBCMDFGTFhBMkMwUi4u>

**For instructions on ways to join the public hearing, please refer to the following link:*

<https://files.nc.gov/ncdeq/Air%20Quality/rules/hearing/instructions-on-ways-to-join-webex.pdf>

**If you have technical difficulties, the following automated voicemail has been setup to receive your verbal comments: 919-707-8430.*

You can also submit comments via any of the methods below:

Email: daq.publiccomments@ncdenr.gov (Please type "**Revised Log Fumigation Rule**" in the subject line)

Postal Mail: Rule Development Branch Supervisor

NC Division of Air Quality

1641 Mail Service Center

Raleigh, NC 27699-1641

Fax: (919) 715-0717 (Please address it to "Rule Development Branch Supervisor".)

Voicemail: 919-707-8430 (Please state your name and any affiliation before commenting.)

More information on the public hearing, including the proposed rule, amendment, and fiscal note are available online at <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/air-quality/air-quality-rules/rules-hearing-process>.