

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
TO GEORGIA'S RULES FOR AIR QUALITY CONTROL
CHAPTER 391-3-1

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Environmental Protection Division (hereinafter, "EPD") of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources proposes Amendments to Georgia's Rules for Air Quality Control, Chapter 391-3-1 (hereinafter, "the proposed Air Rule Amendments"). The Director of EPD certifies that (1) the amendment of Rule 391-3-1-.03 is required to comply with Sections 502(b)(3) of the Clean Air Act, and (2) the addition of Rule 391-3-1-.15 is required to comply with Section 176(c)(4)(E) of the Clean Air Act. The proposed Air rule amendments are described below:

Rule 391-3-1-.03(9), "Permit Fees," is being amended to specify the fee rate, reference a new fee manual for Calendar Year 2009 fees and add provisions for administrative fees and transfer of ownership.

Rule 391-3-1-.15, "Transportation Conformity," is being added to implement the requirements of Section 176(c)(4)(E) of the Clean Air Act, with respect to the conformity of transportation plans, programs, and projects developed, funded or approved under Title 23 United States Code or the Federal Transit Laws to the State's air quality implementation plan.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed Air rule amendments, a synopsis, and a statement of rationale of the rule revisions, is being provided to all persons who have requested in writing that they be placed on a notification list. These documents may be viewed at <http://gaepd.org/environet/1> or during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Air Protection Branch at 404/363-7000 or the Environmental Protection Division Director's Office at 1-888-373-5947. The revised fee manual, dated January 26, 2010, and the Transportation Conformity Manual dated January 8, 2010, may also be viewed at <http://gaepd.org/environet/1> or at the address and phone numbers listed above.

To provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed Air rule amendments, a public hearing will be held at 3:00 p.m. on April 6, 2010, in the EPD Training Center located at 4244 International Parkway, Suite 116, Atlanta, Georgia 30354. At the hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment, or offer a viewpoint or argument either orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously-recorded messages, must be submitted in writing for the official record. Oral statements should be concise.

Written comments are welcomed. To insure their inclusion in EPD's package for the Board of Natural Resources, written comments should be received by close of business on April 20, 2010. Written comments may be emailed to EPDComments@dnr.state.ga.us or sent via regular mail addressed to: Branch Chief, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia, 30354.

Proposed Air rule amendment 391-3-1-.03 and 391-3-1-.15 will be considered individually for adoption by the Board of Natural Resources at its meeting at 9:00 a.m. on May 26, 2010, in the DNR Board Room located at 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Suite 1252, East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. The meeting is open to the public.

The proposed Air rule amendments are proposed for adoption pursuant to authority contained in Georgia Air Quality Act (O.C.G.A. Section 12-9-1 et. seq.). For further information, contact the Air Protection Branch at 404/363-7000.