

Appendix 3

Public Participation

New Jersey certifies that the requirements of 40 C.F.R. §51.102(a) and (d) for public hearings and notice have been met. A public hearing on the proposed **Final Equivalent Alternative Program Demonstration: Clean Air Act Section 185 Requirements for the Revoked 1-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard** was offered by request on December 4, 2024, in accordance with the provisions of Section 110(a)(2) of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §7410; 40 C.F.R. §51.102(a), the Air Pollution Control Act (1954), N.J.S.A. 26:2C-1 et seq., and the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14 B-1 et seq. A public hearing for the proposed program was scheduled to be held on January 8, 2025, if requested by December 19, 2024. No public hearing was requested; therefore, the public hearing was cancelled. Written comments relevant to the proposal were accepted until January 15, 2025. Notice of the proposed program, availability and the public hearing was published on the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's (NJDEP's) website and sent out on two NJDEP air quality email notification systems on December 4, 2024. In addition, the notice was emailed separately to interested parties not on the NJDEP's email notification lists, including the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

Attachment 1 contains documentation of the public notice including:

1. The public notice posted on the website announcing the availability of the proposed program and the request for a public hearing;
2. The NJDEP website postings; and
3. The NJDEP email notification.

During the comment period, no comments were received on the proposed program.

NJDEP Initiated Changes:

1. Minor administrative grammatical and typographical corrections.