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Project Integration, Inc. Newsletter

Greetings!

In this edition you will find very important information regarding the delayed Boiler & Incinerator MACT rules as well as our Oberon Item of the Month!

Boiler & Incinerator MACT Rules Delayed

The EPA is delaying the effective dates for the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers and Process Heaters; and Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incineration Units, commonly referred to as the Boiler MACT and CISWI MACT. The National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutant rules were aimed at cutting pollution from boilers at oil refineries, chemical plants and other major sources. The rules' effective dates have been delayed. Monday's announcement by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) marks at least a temporary victory for industry and congressional critics of the administration's regulatory policies. The Boiler MACT is the latest in a series of EPA regulations the administration has scaled back or delayed amid criticism that jobs would be threatened.

In a written statement, the EPA said it was postponing the effective date of the rule after deciding that the general public "did not have sufficient opportunity to comment" on it. The agency said allowing more time for analysis of the rule's costs and benefits "is consistent

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with" a January executive order by President Barack Obama that directed federal agencies to review their regulations and "avoid excessive, inconsistent and redundant regulation."

It is unclear when the agency will put the proposal into effect. The EPA says now it will freeze the rule until related lawsuits are resolved or until the agency finishes its review, "whichever is earlier," according to the May 18, 2011 Federal Register. The EPA published its clean-air standards for boilers in February. The rule affects nearly 14,000 major boilers in the U.S. and is aimed at reducing emissions of mercury and other harmful emissions.

At the time EPA released its rule, the agency said it wanted to reconsider certain aspects of it, in part because it was operating under a court-ordered deadline that forced it to release the standards sooner than it wanted.

Manufacturers, paper mills and other industries affected by the rule have long complained about the cost of compliance.

Federal Register, Vol. 76, No. 96, May 18, 2011



Oberon Item of the Month

This Month we have chosen the Category 2 Coveralls.

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