



## Early Stakeholder Outreach — OAC Chapter 3745-21 – Carbon Monoxide, Photochemically Reactive Materials, Hydrocarbons, and Related Materials Standards

*Ohio EPA prepares early stakeholder outreach fact sheets to ensure stakeholders are brought into the review process as early as possible and to obtain additional input and discussion before development of interested party draft rules.*

### What does OAC Chapter 3745-21 cover?

The rules in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) chapter 3745-21 establish requirements for the control of emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and carbon monoxide (CO) from stationary emission sources. VOCs are a precursor compound from which ozone is formed. Ozone is one of the six criteria pollutants for which a National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) has been established under the Clean Air Act. CO is also one of the six criteria pollutants for which a NAAQS has been established. The intent of these rules is to limit emissions of VOCs and CO to allow the state of Ohio to attain and maintain the NAAQS for ozone and CO.

### Why are these rules being sent out for Early Stakeholder Outreach?

The first step in the rule-making process is for Ohio EPA to identify that a rule needs to be amended, rescinded, or created. In response to EO 2011-01K, Ohio EPA has added an additional step to ensure stakeholders are brought into the rule process as early as possible. This additional interested party notification and request for information will allow for early feedback before the rule language has been developed by the Agency.

### What changes are being considered?

At this time, Ohio EPA is considering making minor changes to the rules in this Chapter to correct typos and address any formatting issues. Ohio EPA will also consider other changes, as warranted, based on comments received.

### Who will be regulated by these rules?

The rules in this Chapter apply to all point sources emitting VOCs in the state of Ohio.

### What is the rulemaking schedule?

Upon completion of the Early Stakeholder Outreach portion of this rulemaking, Ohio EPA will make any changes necessary to the rule language and make a draft of the rule language available to the public for a 30-day review.

### How can I provide input?

The Agency is seeking stakeholder input on potential amendments to OAC rules 3745-21-01 through 3745-21-28. When preparing your comments, be sure to:

- explain your views as clearly as possible;
- describe any assumptions used;
- provide any technical information and/or data used to support your views;
- explain how you arrived at your estimate for potential burdens, benefits or costs;
- provide specific examples to illustrate your views; and
- offer alternatives.

Written comments will be accepted through close of business **Friday, October 18, 2019**. Please submit input to:

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### What if I have questions?

These rules can be found on Ohio EPA's website for electronic downloading at:  
[http://epa.ohio.gov/dapc/regs/3745\\_21.aspx](http://epa.ohio.gov/dapc/regs/3745_21.aspx) or  
contact Mr. Braun (information provided above).

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## What input is the Agency seeking?

The following questions may help guide you as you develop your comments.

- Is the general regulatory framework proposed the most appropriate? Should the Agency consider any alternative framework?
- What options are available for improving an identified concept? What options are available for improving the existing rules?
- Are there considerations the Agency should take into account when updating the existing rules? Are there considerations the Agency should take into account when developing a specific concept?
- Is there any information or data the Agency should be aware of when developing program concepts or rule language?

## Contact

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