## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OFFICE OF AIR RESOURCES

## Notice of Public Hearing and Comment Period

Concerning proposed amendments to Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 37 "Rhode Island's Low Emission Vehicle Program"

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing regarding proposed amendments to Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 37 "Rhode Island's Low Emission Vehicle Program" will be held in Room 300 of the Department of Environmental Management, at 235 Promenade Street, Providence, Rhode Island on Monday, June 3 at 1:00 p.m., at which time interested parties will be heard.

The proposed amendments would adopt the latest California Exhaust Emission Standards and make amendments to the Zero Emission Vehicle component of the Low Emission Vehicle program. These standards would apply to new vehicles sold in Rhode Island beginning with model year 2016.

DEM has complied with the requirements of R.I. Gen. Laws Section 42-35-3 by considering alternative approaches to the proposed regulations and has determined that there is no alternative approach that would be as effective and less burdensome. DEM has also determined that the proposed regulations do not overlap or duplicate any other state regulation. DEM has complied with the requirements of R.I. Gen. Laws Section 42-35-3.3, 42-35.1-3 and 42-35.1-4 by preparing an Economic Impact Statement and a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and providing these to the Office of Regulatory Reform and the Economic Development Corporation.

Copies of the proposed amendments and a Fact Sheet are available at the Office of Air Resources at 235 Promenade Street, Providence, Rhode Island or on the Department's web site at www.dem.ri.gov. Written comments on the proposed amendments may be sent to the Office of Air Resources at the above address until 4:00 PM, June 14, 2013, at that time the comment period will end, unless extended by the hearing officer. It is requested that persons who wish to make oral comments during the public hearing submit a copy of their statement for the record. Members of the Office of Air Resources may question commenters concerning their remarks.

The Department of Environmental Management building is accessible to those with disabilities. Persons with disabilities requiring accommodation should contact the Office of Air Resources at TCDD (401) 222-6800, or (401) 222-2808, or toll free at 1-800-752-8088, at least three business days prior to the hearing.

Signed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

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