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Title: National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for the Production of Tetrahydrobenzaldehyde.

Principle #4 - "Annual Compliance Costs Less than \$25 Million"

Planned Publication: Expected proposal in the October to December 1995 timeframe¹

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Description: This rulemaking would effect facilities that manufacture Tetrahydrobenzaldehyde (THBA). The rulemaking would regulate THBA by amending the HON list of affected Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturing Industry (SOCMI) Chemicals, Code of Federal Regulations §63.105 (Table 2 Subpart F) to include Tetrahydrobenzaldehyde manufacturing.

THBA is an organic chemical that is used in the manufacture of paint additives. There is only one facility that produces THBA in the nation. THBA would have been added to the HON when it was proposed if the EPA had been aware of the similarity between THBA and other chemicals covered by the HON.

This rulemaking action is primarily intended to eliminate the need to develop a separate standard for THBA. By taking this action the expenditure of resources to develop a new rule by EPA will be minimized. In addition much of the facility is already covered by the HON and the need for the plant to comply with a new rule be minimized. This action is expected to achieve negligible reductions in HAP emissions. The capital cost associated with this rulemaking action is expected to be zero. In addition the annualized cost would be negligible because the company is already doing most of the monitoring and record keeping the rule requires.

This regulatory action raises none of the issues associated with "significant" regulatory actions. It is affordable and has no anticipated adverse economic impacts. No plant closings are expected as a result of this action. This regulatory action does not create any inconsistencies with other actions by other agencies, alter any budgetary impacts, or raise any novel legal or policy issues. Accordingly, it is appropriately considered a "non-significant" action.

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¹ This is a best estimate, the date could very easily slip.

