

## FACT SHEET

### STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE FOR NEW STATIONARY SOURCES AND EMISSION GUIDELINES FOR EXISTING SOURCES: OTHER SOLID WASTE INCINERATION UNITS: FINAL RECONSIDERATION

#### SUMMARY OF ACTION

- On January 16, 2007, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced that it would retain without modification its Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources and Emission Guidelines for Existing Sources for Other Solid Waste Incineration Units (OSWI).
- On February 14, 2006, the Sierra Club requested reconsideration of the standards on seven issues.
- On June 28, 2006, EPA announced it would reconsider one of the seven issues: whether sewage sludge incinerators should be considered as other solid waste incinerators and thus subject to the OSWI standards of performance. EPA did not grant reconsideration of the other six issues.
- After carefully reconsidering all comments and information received through the reconsideration process, the Agency concluded that no additional changes were necessary to the final OSWI rules.

#### Background

- EPA originally promulgated the standards on December 16, 2005.
- There are two general types of OSWI units:
  - Institutional waste incinerators located at institutions which burn waste they generate (e.g., school or university; church or civic organization; local state or federal government facilities; etc.).
  - Very small municipal waste combustors which burn less than 35 tons per day of municipal solid waste. Municipal solid waste is nonhazardous solid waste or refuse collected from residential, commercial, institutional, and industrial sources.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Interested parties can download the notice from EPA's web site at the following address: [www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/t3pfpr.html](http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/t3pfpr.html).
- Today's final rule and other background information are also available either electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov/>, EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, or in hardcopy at the EPA Docket Center's Public Reading Room.

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