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Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2)

Mandatory reporting of certain emissions of contaminants into the atmosphere Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10, 12 and 13 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1) and sections 2.2 and 46.2 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting mandatory reporting of certain emissions of contaminants into the atmosphere, appearing below, may be made by the Minister of Environment and the Fight Against Climate Change on the expiry of 15 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation updates the table concerning the default greenhouse gas emission factors related to electricity for Canadian provinces and for certain North American markets. The update is necessary to take into account the evolution of the power plant fleet of each Canadian province or each American state with which a power importer covered by the Regulation respecting mandatory reporting of certain emissions of contaminants into the atmosphere (chapter Q-2, r. 15) conducts business.

An amendment must also be made to the table in response to the procedures by the Government of Ontario for its withdrawal from the carbon market. That amendment ensures the quality and integrity of data provided by the enterprises purchasing electricity from Ontario.

Study of the matter has shown no cost associated to the amendments proposed by the draft Regulation.

In accordance with sections 12 and 13 of the Regulations Act, the draft Regulation may be made on the expiry of a period shorter than the 45-day period provided for in section 11 of that Act by reason of the urgency due to the following circumstance:

—the amendments made to the table concerning the default greenhouse gas emission factors related to electricity for Canadian provinces and for certain North American markets must apply as of 1 January 2019 so that the emissions of contaminants for 2019 be declared in accordance with the new requirements.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Vicky Leblond, Direction générale de la réglementation carbone et des données d'émission, Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques; telephone: 418 521-3813, extension 4386; fax: 418 646-0001; email: vicky.leblond@mddelcc.gouv.qc.ca.

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Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting mandatory reporting of certain emissions of contaminants into the atmosphere

Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2, ss. 2.2, 46.2)

1. The Regulation respecting mandatory reporting of certain emissions of contaminants into the atmosphere (chapter Q-2, r. 15) is amended in Schedule A.2 by replacing Table 17-1 in QC.17.4 of Protocol QC.17 by the following:

"Table 17-1. Default greenhouse gas emission factors for Canadian provinces and certain North American markets, in metric tons CO₂ equivalent per megawatt-hour (QC.17.3.1, 3, QC.17.3.2, 1 and 2)

Canadian provinces and North American markets	Default emission factor (metric ton GHG/MWh)		
Newfoundland and Labrador	0.037		
Nova Scotia	0.674		
New Brunswick	0.332		

Default emission factor (metric ton GHG/MWh)
0.001
0.036
0.002
0.006
0.270
0.233
0.529

Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator (MISO-RTO), including all or part of the following states:

- -Arkansas
- -North Dakota

-District of Columbia

- -South Dakota
- -Minnesota
- -Iowa
- -Missouri

-Wisconsin 0.567

- -Illinois
- -Michigan
- -Nebraska
- -Indiana

Canadian provinces and North American markets	Default emission factor (metric ton GHG/MWh)		
-Montana			
-Kentucky			
-Texas			
-Louisiana			
-Mississippi			
Southwest Power Pool (SPP), including all or part of the following states:			
-Kansas			
-Oklahoma			
-Nebraska			
-New Mexico	0.542		
-Texas			
-Louisiana			
-Missouri			
-Mississippi			
-Arkansas			

2. Every person or municipality that must report greenhouse gas emissions under the second paragraph of section 6.1 of the Regulation respecting mandatory reporting of certain emissions of contaminants into the atmosphere (chapter Q-2, r. 15) may, for 2018, file a declaration in accordance with the Regulation as amended by this Regulation. Where applicable, the person or municipality must indicate it in the declaration.

3. This Regulation comes into force on 1 January 2019.

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