Permitting; excess emissions; permit renewals

FORM #1

FORM FOR PETITIONING THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION FOR ADOPTION, FILING AMENDMENTS OR REPEAL OF COMMISSION REGULATIONS

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- 2. The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) is a division of the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources of the State of Nevada. The NDEP is an environmental regulatory agency.
- 3. Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 445B.210 establishes the authority of the State Environmental Commission (SEC) to adopt regulations to prevent, abate and control air pollution. NRS 445B.300 establishes specific authority of the SEC regarding operating permit requirements for sources of air contaminants.

SPECIFIC CHANGES:

The NDEP is proposing to update the reporting requirements for excess emissions and clarify the procedures for renewal of permits. For excess emissions, the Director must be notified at least 30 days in advance of any scheduled maintenance or testing that may result in excess emissions of regulated air pollutants. For scheduled repairs, notification must include the proposed time and expected duration. For renewals of Class I, II and III operating permits, the amendments clarify that the source must apply for a new permit with the appropriate application fee if a renewal application is not submitted at least 240 days, but no earlier than 18 months, before the current permit expires.

4. NEED FOR AND PURPOSE:

The amendments update and clarify the permitting regulations to eliminate ambiguity and make them more sensible.

5. ECONOMIC EFFECTS:

- (a) <u>Regulated Business/Industry</u>. There will be no economic effects of these amendments on the regulated industry.
- (a) <u>Public</u>. These proposed amendments would have no economic effect on the public.
- (c) Enforcing Agency. There will be no economic effects on NDEP.
- 6. The proposed amendments do not overlap or duplicate any regulations of other state or government agencies.
- 7. The proposed amendments are no more stringent than what is established by federal law.
- 8. The proposed amendments do not address fees.