QUESTIONNAIRE FOR FILING PROPOSED RULES AND REGULATIONS
WITH THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE

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INSTRUCTIONS

A. Please make copies of this form for future use.
B. Please answer each question completely using layman terms. You may use additional sheets, if necessary.
C. If you have a method of indexing your rules, please give the proposed citation after “Short Title of this Rule” below.
D. Submit two (2) copies of this questionnaire and financial impact statement attached to the front of two (2) copies of the proposed rule and required documents. Mail or deliver to:

Donna K. Davis
Administrative Rules Review Section
Arkansas Legislative Council
Bureau of Legislative Research
Room 315, State Capitol
Little Rock, AR 72201

1. What is the short title of this rule?
   Regulation 26

2. What is the subject of the proposed rule?
   Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission Regulation Number 26, Regulations of the Arkansas Operating Air Permit Program

3. Is this rule required to comply with a federal statute, rule, or regulation? Yes ___ No ______
   If yes, please provide the federal rule, regulation, and/or statute citation.

4. Was this rule filed under the emergency provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act?
   Yes ___________ No ___ X ___________
   If yes, what is the effective date of the emergency rule? ___________
   When does the emergency rule expire? ___________

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Will this emergency rule be promulgated under the permanent provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act? Yes______ No ___X____

5. Is this a new rule? Yes______ No______X____ If yes, please provide a brief summary explaining the regulation.

Does this repeal an existing rule? Yes______ No______X____ If yes, a copy of the repealed rule is to be included with your completed questionnaire. If it is being replaced with a new rule, please provide a summary of the rule giving an explanation of what the rule does.

Is this an amendment to an existing rule? Yes______X No______ If yes, please attach a mark-up showing the changes in the existing rule and a summary of the substantive changes. **Note: The summary should explain what the amendment does, and the mark-up copy should be clearly labeled “mark-up.”**

See the attached Petition to Initiate Rulemaking for a summary and Exhibit A for a mark-up copy of the changes.

6. Cite the state law that grants the authority for this proposed rule? If codified, please give Arkansas Code citation.

Ark. Code Ann. §§8-4-201; 8-4-202, and 8-4-311.

7. What is the purpose of this proposed rule? Why is it necessary?

The substantive changes to Regulation Number 26 are being proposed in response to the United States Environmental Protection Agency’s (“EPA”) July 20, 2011, “Deferral for CO2 Emissions From Bioenergy and Other Biogenic Sources Under the Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Title V Programs, Final Rule.” This Final Rule defers, until July 21, 2014, the application of the Title V permitting requirements to biogenic carbon dioxide (“CO2”) emissions from bioenergy and other biogenic stationary sources. Language is being proposed in Chapter 2 to the definition of “CO2 equivalent emissions” (“CO2e”), to include the deferral for CO2 emissions from bioenergy and other biogenic sources under the Title V Program.

8. Please provide the address where this rule is publicly accessible in electronic form via the Internet as required by Arkansas Code § 25-19-108(b).

http://www.adeq.state.ar.us/regs/drafts/draft_regs.htm

9. Will a public hearing be held on this proposed rule? Yes______X No______

If yes, please complete the following:

Date: August 1, 2012

Time: 2:00 pm

Place: ADEQ Commission Room, 5301 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR

10. When does the public comment period expire for permanent promulgation? (Must provide a date.)

August 15, 2012

11. What is the proposed effective date of this proposed rule? (Must provide a date.)

On or about November 2, 2012

12. Do you expect this rule to be controversial? Yes______No ____X____ If yes, please explain.

13. Please give the names of persons, groups, or organizations that you expect to comment on these rules? Please provide their position (for or against) if known.

*We expect that The Arkansas Environmental Federation may have comments and their comments are expected to be positive. The EPA may also provide comments.*