

**Summary of Reasons Supporting the Adoption of the Proposed  
Amendments to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management's  
Administrative Code for Division 14  
(Hazardous Waste Program)**

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) maintains a federally authorized hazardous waste program, meaning that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has delegated the primary responsibility of implementing the federal hazardous waste program to ADEM in lieu of EPA. Maintaining this delegated status requires that ADEM promulgate rules that are at least as stringent as the federal requirements.

Revisions to the Division 14 Code are being proposed to maintain the hazardous waste program's authorized status by adopting two new federal rules promulgated by EPA, the 'Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule' (81 FR 85732, November 28, 2017) and the 'Imports and Exports of Hazardous Waste Rule' (81 FR 85696, November 28, 2016). Revisions are also being proposed to correct typographical and formatting errors.