

Draft Regulations

Draft Regulation

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 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), 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 the Environment and the Fight Against Climate Change on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation updates the tables concerning high heat value by fuel type, emission factors by fuel type and default greenhouse gas emission factors for Canadian provinces and certain North American markets. It also makes minor adjustments to the information to be provided as of the communication of the greenhouse gas emissions report for 2021.

Study of the matter shows no considerable cost associated with the amendments proposed by the draft Regulation.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Olivier Lacroix, engineer, Direction générale de la réglementation carbone et des données d'émission, Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques; telephone: 418 521-3868, extension 4690; email: olivier.lacroix@environnement.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Vicky Leblond, director, Direction des inventaires et de la gestion des halocarbures, Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques, édifice Marie-Guyart, 675, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, 5^e étage, boîte 30, Québec (Québec) G1R 5V7; email: vicky.leblond@environnement.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 and 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

(1) in protocol QC.1

(a) in Table 1-1 of QC.1.7

i. by replacing the line “Landfill gas (methane portion)” under Gaseous fuels by the following:

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Landfill gas (methane portion)	31.33
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ii. by replacing the line “Biogas (methane portion)” under Gaseous fuels by the following:

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Biogas (methane portion)	31.33
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(b) in Table 1-3 of QC.1.7

i. by replacing the line “Landfill gas (methane portion)” under Gaseous fuels and biofuels by the following:

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Landfill gas (methane portion)	1.546	49.35	0.095	3.03	0.019	0.6
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”;

ii. by replacing the line “Biogas (methane portion)” under Gaseous fuels and biofuels by the following:

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Biogas (methane portion)	1.546	49.35	0.095	3.03	0.019	0.6
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(2) in protocol QC.3, by replacing “Subparagraph *f*” in the second paragraph of QC.3.2 by “Subparagraphs *a* and *f*”;

(3) in protocol QC.17, by replacing Table 17-1 of QC.17.4 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

Canadian provinces and North American markets	Default emission factor (metric ton GHG/MWh)
Newfoundland and Labrador	0.027
Nova Scotia	0.714
New Brunswick	0.262
Québec	0.001
Ontario	0.030
Manitoba	0.001
Vermont	0.003
New England Independent System Operator (NE-ISO), including all or part of the following states: - Connecticut - Massachusetts - Maine - Rhode Island - Vermont - New Hampshire	0.248
New York Independent System Operator (NY-ISO)	0.188
Pennsylvania Jersey Maryland Interconnection Regional Transmission Organization (PJM-RTO), including all or part of the following states: - North Carolina - Delaware - Indiana - Illinois - Kentucky - Maryland - Michigan	0.456

Canadian provinces and North American markets	Default emission factor (metric ton GHG/MWh)
- New Jersey	
- Ohio	
- Pennsylvania	
- Tennessee	
- Virginia	
- West Virginia	
- District of Columbia	
Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator (MISO-RTO), including all or part of the following states: - Arkansas - North Dakota - South Dakota - Minnesota - Iowa - Missouri - Wisconsin - Illinois - Michigan - Indiana - Montana - Kentucky - Texas - Louisiana - Mississippi - Manitoba	0.505
Southwest Power Pool (SPP), including all or part of the following states: - Kansas - Oklahoma - Nebraska - New Mexico - Texas - Louisiana - Missouri	0.5

Canadian provinces and North American markets	Default emission factor (metric ton GHG/MWh)
- Arkansas	
- Iowa	
- Minnesota	
- Montana	
- North Dakota	
- South Dakota	
- Wyoming	

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(4) in protocol QC.30

(a) in the first paragraph of QC.30.2

i. by inserting “or in subparagraph 3 of the second paragraph” after “an emitter referred to in the first paragraph” in subparagraph 1;

ii. by inserting “or in subparagraph 3 of the second paragraph” after “each emitter referred to in the first paragraph” in subparagraph 3;

iii. by inserting “or in subparagraph 3 of the second paragraph” after “of an emitter referred to in the first paragraph” in subparagraph 3.2;

(b) by inserting “or in subparagraph 3 of the second paragraph” after “establishments referred to in the first paragraph” in the definition of the factor “ Q_i^G ” in equation 30-2 of QC.30.3.

2. The greenhouse gas emissions report for 2021, communicated to the Minister not later than 1 June 2022 in accordance with section 6.2 of the Regulation respecting mandatory reporting of certain emissions of contaminants into the atmosphere, includes the information and documents as amended by subparagraph 4 of the first paragraph of section 1 of this Regulation.

3. This Regulation comes into force on 1 January 2022.

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Draft Regulation

Supplemental Pension Plans Act
(chapter R-15.1)

Act mainly to allow the establishment of target benefit pension plans
(2020, chapter 30)

Supplemental pension plans — Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the draft Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting supplemental pension plans, appearing below, may be submitted to the Government for approval on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to follow up on various measures made by the Act mainly to allow the establishment of target benefit pension plans (2020, chapter 30). The measures concern mainly:

— the contents of the actuarial valuation report of a pension plan and other documents provided for in the Supplemental Pension Plans Act (chapter R-15.1);

— the methods, assumptions, rules or factors which are applicable;

— the fees payable in the event of termination of a plan with surplus assets;

— the procedure for any matter within Retraite Québec’s competence, the applicable time limits and the required documents;

— the subjects that must be placed on the agenda of the annual meeting;

— the rules to which are submitted the conversion of a target-benefit plan into a defined-benefit plan and the conversion of a defined-contribution plan into a target-benefit plan;

— the rules and conditions for the conversion of a negotiated contribution multi-employer plan into a target-benefit plan;

— the rules for establishing the degree of solvency of the pension plan according to intervals shorter than a fiscal year;