REGULATORY UPDATE MARCH 2024



OIL & GAS AIR RULES

- Final NSPS OOOOb (new sources) and OOOOc (existing sources) rules in March 8 Federal Register
- "Super-emitters"
 - At least 100 kg methane per hour
 - 3rd party detection (e.g., satellite, aircraft, mobile monitoring)
- Legally & practically enforceable controls on tanks \rightarrow impacts on applicability & permitting
- Pneumatics with zero emissions
- Only flare gas as a last resort



Ask Scott Hyden or Andrew Parisi

NEW PM_{2.5} STANDARD

- Final NAAQS published in March 6 Federal Register; effective May 6
- Annual standard tightened by 25%, from 12 μ g/m³ down to 9 μ g/m³
- Many areas (e.g., HOU, DFW, Austin) do not meet the new standard
- States will have 1 year to propose nonattainment designations
- 24 states have already sued EPA
- Pending and future air permits & associated air dispersion modeling will be more difficult

To learn more, contact **Shagun Bhat**



SEC CLIMATE RULE

- Adopted rules requiring greenhouse gas (GHG) emission and climate risk management disclosures by public companies on March 6
- (Large) Accelerated Filers must report both material Scope 1 (direct) and Scope 2 (energy used)
- Not required to report Scope 3 (those generated from other parts of the value chain) emissions
- Will require assurance of emissions
- Forthcoming in Federal Register

To learn more, contact **Conor Merrigan**



REVISED RMP RULE

- Pre-publication version of revised rule was released March 1
- Subject sites must perform a Safer **Technology Alternatives Analysis** and must adopt at least one
- Independent third-party audits will be required for some sites
- Expand hazard review to consider climate change/extreme weather
- EPA is creating a new online tool for sharing public information
- Forthcoming in Federal Register

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