

## **Ethylene Oxide EPA Next Steps**

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## National Review of EPA's EtO-related Rules

- EPA will review Clean Air Act regulations for facilities that emit ethylene oxide to ensure that they protect the public from significant risk, starting with:
  - Air toxics emissions standards for <u>commercial</u> <u>sterilizers</u>: **Proposal expected in the near future**
  - Air toxics emissions standards for miscellaneous organic chemical manufacturing (MON): Proposal expected in the near future; final by March 2020 (court ordered)

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- EPA is also gathering additional information on industrial emissions of ethylene oxide, which may include data from testing at some types of facilities
  - This information will help EPA as it evaluates opportunities to reduce ethylene oxide emissions as part of its regulations review
  - It also will help the Agency determine whether more immediate emission reduction steps are necessary in any particular locations
- Continue our evaluation of background concentrations and the sources that may be contributing to them

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- Consult with GA EPD on their upcoming monitoring and modeling studies and evaluation of the results
- Provide ongoing opportunities for communication with the community to provide updates and answer questions

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