

Fact Sheet

Final Extension of Deadlines in National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Integrated Iron and Steel Manufacturing Facilities Technology Review

Summary of Action

- On November 26, 2025, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) took final action on the July 2025 Interim Final Rule (IFR), which revised all 2025 and 2026 compliance dates to April 3, 2027, for integrated iron and steel manufacturing facilities in 40 CFR part 63, subpart FFFFF.
- This action includes a response to all public comments received on the July 2025 IFR.
- In this final action, the EPA concludes that the revised compliance dates promulgated in the July 2025 IFR are warranted and reaffirms the revisions made in that action.

Background

- The Integrated Iron and Steel Manufacturing Facilities source category includes any facility engaged in producing steel from refined iron ore, also known as taconite pellets.
- Currently there are eight operating facilities in this source category. The pollutants addressed by the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Integrated Iron and Steel Manufacturing Facilities include particulate matter (PM), a criteria pollutant, and multiple hazardous air pollutants (HAP) such as mercury and acid gases.
- On April 3, 2024, the Biden EPA completed a review of the existing NESHAP for the Integrated Iron and Steel source category to determine the maximum achievable control technology (MACT) standards for the NESHAP source category. This review resulted in new MACT floor standards for integrated iron and steel facilities (40 CFR part 63, subpart FFFFF) with compliance deadlines in 2025, 2026, and 2027.
- On July 3, 2025, EPA issued an IFR to revise all 2025 and 2026 compliance dates to April 3, 2027, for integrated iron and steel manufacturing facilities in 40 CFR part 63, subpart FFFFF. The IFR provided an initial 30-day public comment period, which began on July 2, 2025, and concluded on August 1, 2025.
- On August 15, 2025, EPA issued a notice extending the public comment period to October 3, 2025, and announced that EPA would hold a public hearing where members of the public could offer oral testimony. EPA held the public hearing on September 3, 2025.

Economic Impacts

- EPA estimates this final action will not have any economic impacts.

More Information

- For more information on this action, please visit our website: <https://www.epa.gov/stationary-sources-air-pollution/integratediron-and-steel-manufacturing-national-emission>.

- This action and other background information are also available online at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0083>. Materials for this action can be accessed using Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2002-0083.