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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT

AN ACT Relating to Incinerator Particulate Emission Standard For Wood Waste Teepee Burners.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA § 601, sub-§ 1, as amended by PL 1975, c. 669, §§ 2 and 3, is further amended to read:

1. Scope. This section shall be applicable to all incinerators and shall be effective in all regions in the State of Maine as follows:

A. Immediately for all incinerators, the construction or operation of which begins after January 31, 1972; and

B. June 1, 1975 for all existing incinerators, except existing wood waste teepee incinerators; and.

C: June 1, 1980 for all existing wood waste teepee incinerators.

Sec. 2. 38 MRSA § 601, sub-§ 2, first \P , as enacted by PL 1973, c. 438, § 8, is amended to read:

2. Emission standard. No Except as provided in subsections 4 and 5, no person shall emit or cause to be emitted any particulate air contaminants from:

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Sec. 3. 38 MRSA § 601, sub-§§ 4 and 5 are enacted to read:

4. Ambient monitoring system. Notwithstanding anything contained in subsection 2, paragraphs A, B and C, as long as ambient monitoring data is available to demonstrate, on a case by case evaluation, that ambient air quantity standards will not be violated by emissions from any specific wood waste teepee incinerator, wood waste teepee incinerators may emit particulate air contaminants not to exceed either 0.3 grain per standard cubic foot of dry flue gas during any continuous 2-hour period, corrected to 12% carbon dioxide without the contribution of carbon dioxide from the auxiliary fuel or a number 2 on the Ringelmann Chart, excluding the emission of water vapor, for a period or periods aggregating more than 3 minutes in any hour, excluding the emission of water vapors.

5. Start-up and burn-down. There shall be daily periods not to exceed one hour each for the start-up and burn-down of wood waste teepee incinerators during which the standards contained in subsection 4 shall not apply.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This new draft deletes that part of the bill which would have increased Maine's ambient air quality standards to equal those of New Hampshire and allows wood waste teepee incinerators to meet the same emission standards as incinerators from competing companies in neighboring states, as long as Maine's strict ambient air quality standards are not violated.