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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

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EMAIL Ted_Lampton@deq.state.ms.us	SUBMIT DATE: 3-7-14	Name or number of rule(s): 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 8, Ch. 2 – "Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality Regulations Governing Surface Coal Mining"		

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: The proposed amendments to 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 8, Ch. 2., involve the adoption of amendments to U.S. Department of Interior Office of Surface Mining and Reclamation Enforcement (OSMRE) Regulations as promulgated in 30 CFR Part 700, et seq., so as to maintain consistency between state coal mining regulations and federal coal mining regulations.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Miss. Code Ann. §53-9-11 (2003) and §§49-2-9(1)(b) and 49-17-17 (Rev.2012)
List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 8, Ch. 2.

ORAL PROCEEDING:

☒ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on: Date: May 8, 2014 Time: 4:00 p.m., Place: Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, 515 E. Amite St., Jackson, Mississippi 39201

☐ Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

☒ Economic impact statement not required for this rule. ☐ Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
_____ Original filing _____ Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days Effective date: _____ Immediately upon filing _____ Other (specify): _____	**Action proposed:** _____ New rule(s) __X__ Amendment to existing rule(s) _____ Repeal of existing rule(s) _____ Adoption by reference **Proposed final effective date:** __X__ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____	**Date Proposed Rule Filed:** **Action taken:** _____ Adopted with no changes in text _____ Adopted with changes _____ Adopted by reference _____ Withdrawn _____ Repeal adopted as proposed **Effective date:** _____30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Theodore D. Lampton, III, Senior Attorney

Signature of person authorized to file rules: /s/ Ted Lampton

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The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.