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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

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EMAIL tlampton@mdeq.ms.gov	Submit Date 8-3-21	Name or number of rule(s): Title 11, Part 6, Chapter 2 "Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality Regulations for Water Quality Criteria for Intrastate, Interstate, and Coastal Waters"		

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: This amendment is an update of regulations for water quality criteria based on the review of the state's surface water quality standards to ensure consistency with federal requirements. This amended regulation replaces the previous version in its entirety and will be codified at 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, Ch. 2.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Miss. Code Ann. §§ 49-2-9(1), 49-17-17, 49-17-19, and 49-17-25 (Rev. 2012)

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Upon adoption, will supersede the previous version of 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 6, Ch. 2.

ORAL PROCEEDING:

☒ An oral proceeding was held for this rule on: Date: March 30, 2021 Time: 11:00 a.m. Place: MDEQ Commission Hearing Room, 1st Floor, 515 E. Amite Street, Jackson, MS 39201. Due to issues associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, the public hearing was held telephonically.

☐ 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 was attached to filing of Proposed Rule form.

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) _____ Amendment to existing rule(s) _____ Repeal of existing rule(s) _____ Adoption by reference Proposed final effective date: _____ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____	Date Proposed Rule Filed: <u>3-9-21</u> Action taken: _____ Adopted with no changes in text <u>X</u> Adopted with changes _____ Adopted by reference _____ Withdrawn _____ Repeal adopted as proposed Effective date: <u>---X</u> 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____

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

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.

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