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§ 52.1621 Classification of regions.

The New Mexico plan was evaluated on the basis of the following classifications:

Air quality control region	Pollutant				
	Particulate matter	Sulfur oxides	Nitrogen dioxide	Carbon monoxide	Ozone
Albuquerque-Mid-Rio Grande Intrastate	I	III	III	III	I
New Mexico Southern Border Intrastate	IA	IA	III	III	III
El Paso-Las Cruces-Alamogordo Interstate	I	IA	III	I	I
Four Corners Interstate	IA	IA	III	III	III
Northeastern Plains Intrastate	III	III	III	III	III
Pecos-Permian Basin Intrastate	III	III	III	III	III
Southwestern Mountains-Augustine Plains Intrastate	III	III	III	III	III
Upper Rio Grande Valley Intrastate	III	III	III	III	III

[37 FR 1081, May 31, 1972, as amended at 39 FR 16347, May 8, 1974; 42 FR 20131, Apr. 18, 1977; 45 FR 24468, Apr. 10, 1980; 45 FR 67347, Oct. 10, 1980; 52 FR 5965, Feb. 27, 1987]

§ 52.1622 Approval status.

With the exceptions set forth in this subpart, the Administrator approves New Mexico's plan for the attainment and maintenance of the national standards under section 110 of the Clean Air Act. Further, the Administrator finds that the plan satisfies all requirements of the Part D of the Clean Air Act, as amended in 1977, except as noted below.

[45 FR 24468, Apr. 10, 1980]

§ 52.1623 Conditional approval.

(a) *General Conformity.* (1) A letter, dated April 22, 1998, from the Chief of Air Quality Bureau New Mexico Environment Department to the EPA Regional Office, commits the State to remove Section 110.C from its rule for making the State's rule consistent with Federal rule. Specifically, the letter states that:

This letter is regarding our general conformity rule, 20 NMAC 2.98—Conformity of General Federal Actions to the State Implementation Plan. We have been reviewing paragraph 110.C under Section 110—Reporting Requirements. This is the paragraph in which the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) had submitted a comment of concern to EPA, during EPA's proposed/final approval period for our rule. This comment caused EPA to withdraw its approval. The

FAA had commented that New Mexico was more stringent than EPA, since our rule does not apply to non-Federal agencies. Our analysis has determined that our inclusion of this paragraph may make our rule more stringent than EPA, and should not have been included. The paragraph had originally come from a STAPPA/ALAPCO model rule. New Mexico had never intended to be more stringent than EPA with regards to general conformity. Hence, the State commits to putting 20 NMAC 2.98 on our regulatory agenda and plan to delete this paragraph within one year from the FEDERAL REGISTER publication of final notice of conditional approval to New Mexico's general conformity SIP.

(2) If the State ultimately fails to meet its commitment to remove this section from its rule within one year of publication of this conditional approval, then EPA's conditional action will automatically convert to a final disapproval.

(b) [Reserved]

[63 FR 48109, Sept. 9, 1998]

§§ 52.1624–52.1626 [Reserved]

§ 52.1627 Control strategy and regulations: Carbon monoxide.

Part D Approval. The Albuquerque/Bernalillo County carbon monoxide maintenance plan as adopted on April