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July 2, 2018

To: Environmental Quality Council Members  
From: Erin Bills, Legal Staff  
Re: Legislative Administrative Rule Review Report<sup>1</sup>

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MAR NOTICE NUMBER: 17-397

AGENCY/BOARD: Board of Environmental Review

RULE CLASSIFICATION: Substantive

SUBJECT: Air quality operation fees

NOTICE DESCRIPTION: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment

**SUMMARY OF RULE:** The Board of Environmental Review (board) is proposing an amendment to air quality operation fees. The proposed amendment increases the administrative fee from \$800 to \$900, the tonnage fee amount from \$38.24 to \$45.37 per ton, and the air quality operation fee for registered oil and gas well facilities increase from \$800 to \$900. The board reasons that the proposed fee increase will allow the air quality bureau to collect sufficient revenue to implement the Department of Environmental Quality's air quality program. The last time the board raised air quality operation fees was in 2009.

**NOTES:** On July 13, 2018, at 1:00 p.m., the board will hold a public hearing on this proposed amendment in Room 111 of the Metcalf Building, 1520 East Sixth Avenue, Helena, Montana.

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<sup>1</sup>Pursuant 75-1-324, MCA, the Environmental Quality Council (EQC) is responsible for reviewing administrative rules within its jurisdiction. Staff for the EQC has prepared this report for informational purposes only. This report does not represent any action or opinion of the EQC and does not preclude additional action that may be taken by the EQC pursuant to its authority under the Montana Administrative Procedure Act (Title 2, chapter 4, MCA).

FULL TEXT OF NOTICE: The full text of the notice proposal may be found online at <http://mtrules.org/gateway/ShowNoticeFile.asp?TID=8612>.

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