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### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER), acting under the statutory authority of G.L. c. 25A, §§ 6 and 13, G.L. c. 21A, §22, and in conformance with G.L. c. 30A, is holding public hearings on proposed amendments to 225 CMR 13.00, the DOER CO<sub>2</sub> Budget Trading Program Auction Regulation. DOER is proposing these amendments concurrent with MassDEP's proposed revisions to 310 CMR 7.70: CO<sub>2</sub> Budget Trading Program. Together, these proposed amendments implement the changes announced by Governor Baker on August 23, 2017, to revise the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) program by reducing the regional cap and implementing programmatic changes, including the auction process, consistent with a model rule developed by the nine RGGI states. The overall changes to the RGGI program will cause real reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and, in accordance with the Green Communities Act, the economic proceeds will be invested in programs to promote energy efficiency, conservation and demand response.

**Public hearings will be held:**

May 30, 2018 at 11:00 am  
MassDEP Headquarters  
One Winter Street, 2nd Floor  
Boston, MA

May 30, 2018 at 6:00 pm  
Springfield Central Library, Community Room  
220 State Street  
Springfield, MA

May 31, 2018 at 11:00 am  
MassDEP Central Regional Office, Assabet Room  
8 New Bond Street  
Worcester, MA

May 31, 2018 at 6:00 pm  
MassDEP Southeast Regional Office  
20 Riverside Drive  
Lakeville, MA

DOER requests that written comments be submitted electronically to: [rachel.evans@state.ma.us](mailto:rachel.evans@state.ma.us). Alternatively, comments may be mailed to: Rachel Evans, DOER, 100 Cambridge St, Suite 1020, Boston, MA 02114. Copies of the proposed regulations may be obtained from the DOER website [www.mass.gov/energy/rggi](http://www.mass.gov/energy/rggi). Written comments must be received by 5:00 pm on June 7, 2018.

BY ORDER OF:      Judith F. Judson, Commissioner  
Department of Energy Resources