



Covington Public Works/Utilities

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

City of Covington

Public Works Meeting

City Hall

Downstairs Board Room 4:00 P.M.

October 4, 2022

1. 2021 Invest Prep grant update.
2. Leaves removal starts October 15 through February 1.
3. Sierra Club heating appliance Rulemaking Petition 082322. (See Attached)
4. State Certified Microbiological Laboratory. (See Attached)
5. September 25th storm damage report.

Other Business:

1. Code Division monthly report: (See attached)

Adjourn:

David Gray

From: Gregg, John <jgregg@McCarter.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 15, 2022 10:23 AM
To: Alan Cherry; Alex Smith; Allyson Horner (allyson@gcud.net); Angie Moyers; Braxton Williams; bryan smith; Casey Burnett ; Conder, Larry (jlconder@peakgas.net); David Gray; Doug Meyers; Gerald Ballinger; Greg Williams (gwilliams@dyersburgtn.gov); Neil Hunter; Regie Castellaw; Scott Nelson; Terry Roach; Tim Clayton
Cc: Choukas-Bradley, James; Byrd, James; Conoscenti, Kevin; Vashisht, Priyanka
Subject: Sierra Club wants to force you to have a heat pump in 2030
Attachments: Sierra Club Heating Appliance Rulemaking Petition 082322.PDF

Dear Group,

You probably have heard about the pending DOE appliance energy efficiency rulemaking that would eliminate non-condensing natural gas furnaces in five years or so by establishing a 95% AFUE standard that only a condensing furnace could meet. Now, late last month a coalition of environmental activist petitioned EPA to list such heating appliances as a source category under section 111(b) of the Clean Air Act and to promulgate zero-emission standards for new appliances within the category—more specifically, performance standards that eliminate the emission of nitrogen oxides (NOx) from water heaters and furnaces.

If successful, consumers would have to purchase a heat pump come 2030.

Section 111 of the Clean Air Act (CAA) directs EPA to develop a list of “categories” of stationary sources that cause, or contribute significantly to, air pollution that may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health or welfare. The attached petition for rulemaking asks the EPA to use its authority under the CAA to phase in NOx performance standards for furnaces and water heaters, eventually landing on a zero-emissions standard by 2030. That would effectively ban the manufacture of these appliances altogether, forcing building owners to purchase alternative heating devices powered solely by electricity, like heat pumps. They want EPA to formally “list” all fossil fuel-fired heating appliances, including stoves and clothes dryers, as a new stationary source category of air pollution. The proceeding will involve a factual investigation of claims of indoor air pollution as well as legal questions of EPA’s authority, including whether DOE has “occupied the field” under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

The recent Inflation Reduction Act [contains tax credits](#) for up to 30% of the cost of new heat pump, with a maximum credit of \$2,000. It also will fund rebates for of up to \$8,000 for heat pumps and \$1,750 for heat pump water heaters for households earning less than 80% of the median household income in their state, and rebates that are half as much for households making up to 150% of their median state income.



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State of Tennessee

Department of Environment & Conservation

Division of Water Resources

Certifies That

**The Bacteriological Laboratory
at the Covington Water Plant**

*Having Met the Requirements of the Regulations for the
Certification of Laboratories Analyzing Drinking Water
is hereby Approved as a*

State Certified Microbiological Laboratory

To perform the Analyses

*Total Coliform – Enzyme Substrate Method (Colilert®) – SM 9223
Escherichia coli – Enzyme Substrate Method (Colilert®) – SM 9223*

For the Public Water Systems of Tennessee

Laboratory ID Number TN03167

Prasad Subbanna

*Prasad Subbanna
Laboratory Certification Program Manager
Division of Water Resources*

Issue/Effective Date: 09/09/2022

Expiration Date: 07/12/2023

*This certification is subject to performance on E.P.A.
Proficiency Testing Samples, laboratory inspections,
payment of annual fees, is nontransferable and
supersedes previously issued certificates.*

CODE COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT
REPORT: October 4, 2022



TOUCHPOINTS:

Personnel Report: Full Staff

September Training:

LAF-JN – August Coffee with My Girlfriends (monthly meeting) –Code issues discussed

LAF-JN-CH – Community Prosecution Addressing the Nuisance

JN-CH – Assessment Damage TEMA

GIS Training

JN – Crisis Communication

Destress Management

Assisted in Square Storm Damage Assessment following storm Saturday night, 9-24-22

