

## **Manufacturers With Welding Operations Need To Comply with CAA Emission Notification Deadlines**

Manufacturers that engage in metal fabrication and finishing must be prepared to comply with the EPA's NESHAPs standard for Metal Fabrication and Finishing Sources (Subpart XXXXXX). By July 25, 2011, companies will need to notify the agency whether their facilities fall under the standard for Metal Fabrication Hazardous Air Pollutants (MFHAP). MFHAP encompasses nearly all welding applications, and other manufacturing processes such as dry abrasive blasting, machining, dry grinding and polishing. Plants currently exhausting contaminated air outside from these processes will no longer be allowed to do so. The regulation spells out the monitoring and test methods required for compliance and control techniques that can be used.

Additional information about this rule can be found at:  
<http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/6x/6xpg.html>