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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

7 CFR Part 301

[Docket 96-016-12]

Karnal Bunt; Public Forum

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public forum.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public that the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service is hosting an additional public forum on the Agency's program to control and eradicate Karnal bunt. Four other forums have been held or announced. The fifth forum will provide an additional opportunity for the public to comment on the regulations established and amended by a series of interim rules published in the Federal Register since March, 1996, and to comment on proposed changes to the regulations contained in a proposed rule published in the Federal Register on August 2, 1996. The regulations quarantine portions of Arizona, California, New Mexico, and Texas because of infestations of Karnal bunt, restrict the movement of regulated articles from the quarantined areas, and provide compensation for certain individuals in order to mitigate losses and expenses incurred because of Karnal bunt. Comments will also be accepted addressing any aspect of the Karnal bunt program not included in the regulations, including control and survey activities conducted in the quarantined areas, the national Karnal bunt survey program, and the certification of wheat for export. Information gathered at the public forum will be considered by the Department in developing guidelines and procedures for conducting the Karnal bunt program for the 1996-97 wheat growing season.

DATES: The public forum will be held in Las Cruces, NM, on Tuesday, August 20, 1996, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The public forum will be held at the Best Western-Mesilla Valley Inn, Aspen West Room, 901 Avenida de Mesilla, Las Cruces, New Mexico, (505) 524-8603.

Any persons who are unable to attend the forum, but who wish to comment on any aspect of the Karnal bunt program, may send written comments. Please send an original and three copies of written comments to Docket No. 96-016-12, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Suite 3C03, 4700 River Road, Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please state that your comments refer to Docket No. 96-016-12. Comments received, including transcripts from the public forum, may be inspected at USDA, room 1141, South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Persons wishing to inspect comments are requested to call ahead on (202) 690-2817 to facilitate entry into the comment reading room.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Stephen Poe, Operations Officer, Domestic and Emergency Operations, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 134, Riverdale, MD 20737-1236, (301) 734-8247.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The public forum is being held concerning the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's (APHIS) program to control and eradicate Karnal bunt. Comments will be accepted on the regulations established and amended by a series of interim rules published by APHIS in the Federal Register since March, 1996, and on a proposed rule published in the Federal Register on August 2, 1996 (61 FR 40354-40361, Docket No. 96-016-10).

The interim rules were published on March 28, 1996 (61 FR 13649-13655, Docket No. 96-016-3), April 25, 1996 (61 FR 18233-18235, Docket No. 96-016-5), and July 5, 1996 (61 FR 35107-35109, Docket No. 96-016-6 and 61 FR 35102-35107, Docket No. 96-016-7). A public forum was held in Washington, DC, on July 17, 1996, and a notice of public forums scheduled for Kansas City, MO, Phoenix, AZ, and Imperial, CA, was published in the Federal

Register on August 2, 1996 (61 FR 40361-40362, Docket No. 96-016-11). Written comments on the interim rules and the proposed rule are required to be received by September 3, 1996.

A representative of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) will preside at the public forum. Any interested person may appear and be heard in person, or through an attorney or other representative. Persons who wish to speak at the public forum will be asked to provide their names and affiliations. Parties wishing to make oral presentations may register in advance by calling the Legislative and Public Affairs staff of APHIS, USDA, at (202) 720-2511 before 5 p.m. e.d.s.t. on August 16, 1996. Registration will also be held at the forum site from 8 a.m. until 8:45 a.m. on the day of the forum. Speakers will be scheduled in the order their registration is received.

The public forum will begin at 9 a.m. and is scheduled to end at 5 p.m. local time. However, the forum may be terminated at any time after it begins if all persons desiring to speak have been heard. The presiding officer may limit the time for each presentation so that all interested persons have an opportunity to participate. Attendees who wish to speak but who did not register will be provided time to speak only after all registered speakers have been heard.

The purpose of the forum is to give interested persons an opportunity for oral presentation of data, views, and information to the Department concerning APHIS' program to control and eradicate Karnal bunt. Questions about the content of the interim rules and the proposed rule concerning Karnal bunt may be part of the commenters' oral presentations. However, neither the presiding officer nor any other representative of the Department will respond to the comments on the interim rules or proposed rule at the forum, except to clarify or explain provisions of the interim rules and the proposed rule.

We ask that anyone who reads a statement provide two copies to the presiding officer at the forum. A transcript will be made of the public forum and the transcript will be placed in the rulemaking record and will be available for public inspection.

Done in Washington, DC, this 8th day of August 1966.

Terry L. Medley,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 64, 70 and 71

[FRL-5552-9]

Compliance Assurance Monitoring

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting; notice of document availability.

SUMMARY: The EPA is planning to promulgate regulations concerning enhanced monitoring and compliance certification provisions under section 114(a)(3) and Title V of the Clean Air Act by July 1997. EPA originally proposed an enhanced monitoring rule on October 22, 1993 (58 FR 54648). In response to comments on that proposal, EPA is considering adopting a revised approach—known as Compliance Assurance Monitoring (CAM)—to the enhanced monitoring and compliance certification requirements. EPA sought comment on the CAM approach in September 1995. In response to comment on the CAM approach, EPA is now making available a revised version of the CAM approach for comment. Notice is hereby given that the EPA will hold a public meeting on September 10, 1996 to provide the persons potentially affected by these regulations with an opportunity to present their views regarding the issues raised by the regulations. This notice also announces the public availability of a draft regulatory package for review in advance of the public meeting. In addition, the Agency will accept written comments on the draft package provided that comments are received by October 15, 1996.

DATES: *Meeting:* The public meeting will be held September 10, 1996 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the address provided below.

Comments: Written comments may be submitted to the docket at the address provided below until October 15, 1996.

Document Availability: The draft regulations and accompanying summary and discussion document will be available on or before August 2, 1996 at the addresses provided below. Draft documents concerning required impact

analyses will also be available at the same locations no later than August 30, 1996.

ADDRESSES: *Meeting:* The public meeting will be held at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel and Convention Center, Research Triangle Park, NC, 27709 (919) 941-5050. Participants wishing to arrange for overnight accommodations should advise the hotel that they are attending the EPA meeting. To assist EPA in planning the public meeting, persons interested in attending should contact: Public Meeting Coordinator, at (804) 979-3700, telefax (804) 296-2860, Perrin Quarles Associates, Inc., 501 Faulconer Drive, Suite 2-D, Charlottesville, Virginia 22903, to give their name and affiliation. Please register by September 6, 1996.

Docket: Supporting information related to this rulemaking, including the draft rule, and the summary and discussion document, is contained in Docket No. A-91-52 (the draft rule and accompanying summary and discussion document are included as Item VI-C-13). This docket is available for public inspection and copying between 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding government holidays, and is located at: EPA Air Docket (LE-131), Room M-1500, Waterside Mall, 401 M Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying. Pursuant to section 307(d)(1)(V) of the Clean Air Act, this rulemaking is subject to the docketing and other procedural provisions of section 307(d) of the Act.

Comments: Comments must be mailed (in duplicate) to the docket at the address provided above. All comments should be marked to the attention of Docket No. A-91-52.

Document Availability: By the dates noted above, a copy of the draft regulations, the accompanying summary and discussion document, and the draft impact analysis materials will be located in the docket at the address provided above, and the draft regulations and summary and discussion document will also be available via the Emission Measurement Technical Information Center Computer Bulletin Board of the EPA's Technology Transfer Network at (919) 541-5742, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (except Monday, 8-12 a.m. EST). Contact the system operator at (919) 541-5384 if you have any questions concerning access to the Technology Transfer Network.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peter Westlin, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, (919) 541-1058.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Procedural Background

Section 114(a)(3) of the Clean Air Act mandates that EPA require, by regulation, that enhanced monitoring be conducted and compliance certification be made for major sources. EPA first proposed an enhanced monitoring rule on October 22, 1993. (See 58 FR 54648). EPA sought additional comment on this proposal on December 24, 1994 (59 FR 66844). Following review of comments, EPA decided to consider alternative approaches to the enhanced monitoring requirements.

In September, 1995, EPA made available for comment a revised approach to enhanced monitoring and compliance certification. This revised approach was called Compliance Assurance Monitoring (CAM). EPA published a Federal Register notice (60 FR 48679) announcing the availability of the draft regulatory package (preamble and rule text) and solicited public comment. Additionally, on September 13, 1995, the EPA posted a copy of the draft CAM rule for public comment on the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) Technology Transfer Network electronic bulletin board system. The release of this document was followed by a national meeting held on September 22, 1995 in Durham, North Carolina. Written comments were submitted to OAQPS by industrial, environmental, and regulatory parties. All comments received have been filed in the docket (A-91-52) and are available for additional review by calling the docket office at (202-260-7548).

II. Request For Comment

EPA has now modified the proposed CAM approach in response to the comments received on the September 1995 regulatory package. The Agency has prepared a regulatory package for CAM and will make it available to the public on or before August 2, 1996, (see "Document Availability" above). Following release of this draft, the Agency will hold a public meeting, as described above, to review the major elements of the draft regulatory package and to solicit opinions and suggestions on the draft document. The meeting will include a number of representative parties that will sit at the main meeting table by invitation; they will include industry, State and local agencies, and environmental organizations. Additional seating is available by contacting the Public Meeting Coordinator listed in the **ADDRESSES** section above. It is important to note that the Agency will be seeking the