

it a copy of the contract's terms and conditions no later than the close of business of the day preceding listing; and

(4) Notifies the public on all public references to the contract or its trading months that the contract is trading pending Commission designation.

(b) The board of trade may not list for trading delivery months or option expirations for more than one year at any time prior to the contract's designation as a contract market under sections 4c, 5, 5a and 6 of the Act and regulations thereunder, or under § 5.1 of this part.

(c) The board of trade must file with the Commission an application for contract market designation which meets the requirements of Appendix A of this part within forty-five days of initially listing for trading a contract under this section, unless the contract is delisted during this period.

(d) The board of trade must enforce each bylaw, rule, regulation and resolution that relates to the terms or conditions of a contract listed for trading under this section. Any proposed revisions to the terms or conditions of the contract as initially listed for trading under this section must be submitted for Commission review under section 5a(a)(12) of the Act and § 1.41 of this chapter.

(e) The provisions of this section for listing trading months prior to contract market designation shall not apply to:

(1) A contract subject to the provisions of section 2(a)(1)(B) of the Act;

(2) A contract that is the same or substantially the same as one for which an application for contract market designation under sections 4c, 5, 5a and 6 of the Act or § 5.1 of this part was filed for Commission approval prior to being listed for trading while the application is pending before the Commission.

(3) A contract that is the same or substantially the same as one which is the subject of a Commission proceeding to disapprove designation under section 6 of the Act, to disapprove a term or condition under section 5a(a)(12) of the Act, to alter or amend a term or condition under section 8a(7) of the Act, to amend terms or conditions under section 5a(a)(10) of the Act, to declare an emergency under section 8a(9) of the Act, or to any other proceeding the effect of which is to disapprove, alter, amend, or require a contract market to adopt a specific term or condition, trading rule or procedure, or to refrain from taking a specific action.

Issued in Washington, DC, this 20th day of July, 1999, by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

18 CFR Part 35

[Docket No. RM99-2-000]

Regional Transmission Organizations; Extension of Time For Reply Comments

July 21, 1999.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Proposed Rule: Notice of extension of time.

SUMMARY: On May 13, 1999, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (64 FR 31390, June 10, 1999) proposing to amend its regulations under the Federal Power Act to facilitate the formation of Regional Transmission Organizations. The date for filing reply comments is being extended at the request of the Edison Electric Institute.

DATES: Reply comments shall be filed on or before September 29, 1999.

ADDRESS: Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David P. Boergers, Secretary, 202-208-1279.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On June 30, 1999, the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) filed a motion for an extension of time to file reply comments in response to the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued May 13, 1999, in the above-docketed proceeding. The motion states that EEI requires additional time to obtain, evaluate and discuss with its members the large number of initial comments that it is expected will be filed in response to the Commission's RTO NOPR. EEI further states that the American Public Power Association and the National Rural Electric Cooperative do not oppose the motion for additional time.

Upon consideration, notice is hereby given that an extension of time for filing reply comments in response to the

Commission's RTO NOPR is granted to and including September 29, 1999.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration

30 CFR Parts 57 and 75

RIN 1219-AB19

Safety Standards for Self-Rescue Devices in Underground Coal and Underground Metal and Nonmetal Mines

AGENCY: Mine Safety and Health Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: This document extends the public comment period for the Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) published in the **Federal Register** on July 7, 1999. The ANPRM addressed safety standards for self-rescue devices in underground coal and underground metal and nonmetal mines.

DATES: Submit your comments on or before September 7, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Mail your comments to MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, MSHA, Room 631, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22203 or telefax your comments to the same office at 703-235-5551.

While we (MSHA) do not require it, we encourage you to also submit a computer disk containing your comments or transmit an e-mail with your comments to comments@msha.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carol Jones, Acting Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 703-235-1910.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We held a joint conference with the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health in Beckley, West Virginia on June 15 and 16, 1999. This conference provided an opportunity for all segments of the mining community to discuss issues related to self-rescue devices. Using information developed at the conference, we published an ANPRM in the **Federal Register** on July 7 (64 FR 36632). In the ANPRM, we requested comments on issues discussed at the conference and other issues dealing with self-rescue devices. The comment period was to close on August 6, 1999.

At the request of a segment of the mining community to extend the time to submit comments, we are extending the comment period. The comment period will close September 7, 1999. We believe that this will provide sufficient time for all interested parties to review the ANPRM and submit comments.

Dated: July 21, 1999.

Marvin W. Nichols,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 268

[FRL-6408-5]

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Potential Revisions to the Land Disposal Restrictions Mercury Treatment Standards; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA, the Agency).

ACTION: Advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM); extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On May 28, 1999 (64 FR 28949), EPA issued an ANPRM presenting potential revisions to the 40 CFR part 268 Land Disposal Restrictions treatment standards applicable to mercury-bearing hazardous wastes. The ANPRM requested comment on EPA's waste generation and treatment data for mercury-bearing hazardous waste, as well as on technical and policy issues regarding mercury waste treatment, and potential avenues by which current mercury treatment standards might be revised. The Agency is extending the comment period because several commenters have requested more time to address the Agency's request for comment on potential revisions to the mercury-bearing hazardous waste regulations. This notice extends the comment period for the ANPRM.

DATES: The comment period for this ANPRM is extended from the original closing date of July 27, 1999 to October 25, 1999.

ADDRESSES: If you wish to comment on the ANPRM, you must send an original and two copies of the comments referencing docket number F-1999-MTSP-FFFFF to: RCRA Docket Information Center, Office of Solid Waste (5305G), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters (EPA,

HQ), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460. Hand deliveries of comments should be made to the Arlington, VA, address listed below. You may also submit comments electronically by sending electronic mail through the Internet to: rcradocket@epamail.epa.gov. You should identify comments in electronic format with the docket number F-1999-MTSP-FFFFF. You must submit all electronic comments as an ASCII (text) file, avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. If you do not submit comments electronically, EPA is asking prospective commenters to voluntarily submit one additional copy of their comments on labeled personal computer diskettes in ASCII (text) format or a word processing format that can be converted to ASCII (text). It is essential to specify on the disk label the word processing software and version/edition as well as the commenter's name. This will allow EPA to convert the comments into one of the word processing formats utilized by the Agency. Please use mailing envelopes designed to physically protect the submitted diskettes. EPA emphasizes that submission of comments on diskettes is not mandatory, nor will it result in any advantage or disadvantage to any commenter.

You should not submit electronically any confidential business information (CBI). You must submit an original and two copies of CBI under separate cover to: RCRA CBI Document Control Officer, Office of Solid Waste (5305W), U.S. EPA, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460.

You may view public comments and supporting materials in the RCRA Information Center (RIC), located at Crystal Gateway I, First Floor, 1235 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA. The RIC is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding federal holidays. To review docket materials, we recommend that you make an appointment by calling (703) 603-9230. You may copy a maximum of 100 pages from any regulatory docket at no charge. Additional copies cost \$0.15/page.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information or to order paper copies of this **Federal Register** document, contact the RCRA Hotline, Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. EST, toll free at (800) 424-9346; or (703) 412-9810 from Government phones or if in the Washington, DC local calling area; or (800) 553-7672 for the hearing impaired. For technical information contact Rita Chow at (703) 308-6158 or

Josh Lewis (703) 308-7877, Office of Solid Waste (5302W), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 268

Environmental protection, Hazardous waste, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: July 20, 1999.

Judy A. Kertcher,

Acting Director, Office of Solid Waste.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

42 CFR Part 414

[HCFA-1010-P]

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Medicare Program; Replacement of Reasonable Charge Methodology by Fee Schedules

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: We are proposing to implement fee schedules to be used for payment of services, excluding ambulance services, still subject to the reasonable charge payment methodology. The authority for establishing these fee schedules is provided by section 4315 of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (Public Law 105-33), which adds to the Social Security Act a new section 1842(s). A fee schedule for ambulance services is mandated by a different statutory provision. Section 1842(s) of the Social Security Act specifies that statewide or other areawide fee schedules may be implemented for the following services: medical supplies; home dialysis supplies and equipment; therapeutic shoes; parenteral and enteral nutrients, equipment, and supplies; electromyogram devices; salivation devices; blood products; and transfusion medicine.

DATES: Comments will be considered if we receive them at the appropriate address, as provided below, no later than 5 p.m. on September 27, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Mail an original and 3 copies of written comments to the following address: Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: HCFA-1010-P, P.O. Box 26688, Baltimore, MD 21207-0488.