

PART 5—DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY AND ORGANIZATION

1. The authority citation for 21 CFR part 5 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 504, 552, App. 2 605; 7 U.S.C. 138a, 2217; 15 U.S.C. 638, 1261–1282, 1451–1461, 3701–3711a; 21 U.S.C. 61–63, 141–149, 301–394, 467f, 679(b), 801–886, 1031–1309, 1401–1403; 35 U.S.C. 156; 42 U.S.C. 238, 241, 242, 242a, 242l, 242n, 242o, 243, 262, 263, 264, 265, 300u–300u–5, 300aa–1, 300ar–25–28, 300cc, 300ff, 1395y, 4332, 4831(a), 10007–10008; E.O. 11921, 41 FR 24294, 3 CFR, 1977 Comp., p. 124–131; E.O. 12591, 52 FR 13414, 3 CFR, 1988 Comp., p. 220–223.

2. In § 5.28 revise paragraph (c)(1), redesignate paragraph (c)(10) as paragraph (c)(11), and add new paragraph (c)(10) to read as follows:

§ 5.28 Hearings.

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(1) The Director, Office of the Ombudsman, Office of External Relations, Office of the Commissioner.

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(10) An Administrative Law Judge.

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PART 16—REGULATORY HEARING BEFORE THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

3. The authority citation for 21 CFR part 16 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 1451–1461; 21 U.S.C. 141–149, 321–394, 467f, 679, 821, 1034; 28 U.S.C. 2112; 42 U.S.C. 201–262, 263b, 364.

4. Amend § 16.42 by revising paragraph (a) to read as follows:

§ 16.42 Presiding officer.

(a) An FDA employee to whom the Commissioner delegates such authority, or any other agency employee designated by an employee to whom such authority is delegated, or, consistent with 5 CFR 930.209(b) or (c), an administrative law judge to whom such authority is delegated, may serve as the presiding officer and conduct a regulatory hearing under this part.

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Dated: August 7, 2002.

Margaret M. Dotzel,

Associate Commissioner for Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Federal Transit Administration

23 CFR Part 450

[FHWA Docket No. FHWA–99–5933]

FHWA RIN 2125–AE95; FTA RIN 2132–AA75

Statewide Transportation Planning; Metropolitan Transportation Planning

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The FHWA and FTA propose to extend the comment period for a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking, which was published June 19, 2002, at 67 FR 41648. The original comment period is set to close on August 19, 2002. The proposed extension stems from concern expressed jointly by the American Association of Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), the National Association of Counties (NACO), and the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) that the August 19 closing date does not provide sufficient time for response to the supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking. The FHWA and FTA recognize that others interested in commenting may have similar time constraints and agree that the comment period should be extended. Therefore, the closing date for comments is changed to September 19, 2002, which will provide the AASHTO, NACO, NADO and others interested in commenting additional time to evaluate the supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking and to submit responses.

DATES: Submit comments on or before September 19, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Mail or hand deliver comments to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Dockets Management Facility, Room PL–401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, or submit electronically at <http://dmses.dot.gov/submit>. All comments should include the docket number that appears in the heading of this document. All comments received will be available for examination and copying at the above address from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Those desiring notification of receipt of comments must include a self-addressed, stamped postcard or you may print the acknowledgment page

that appears after submitting comments electronically.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For the FHWA: Mr. Dee Spann, Statewide Planning Team (HEPS), (202) 366–4086 or Mr. Reid Alsop, Office of the Chief Counsel (HCC–31), (202) 366–1371. For the FTA: Mr. Paul Verchinski, Statewide Planning Division (TPL–11) or Mr. Scott Biehl, Office of the Chief Counsel (TCC–30), (202) 366–0952. Both agencies are located at 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590–0001. Office hours for the FHWA are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., e.t., and for the FTA are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access

Internet users may access all comments received by the U.S. DOT Docket Facility, Room PL–401, by using the universal resource locator (URL) <http://dms.dot.gov>. It is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Please follow the instructions online for more information and help.

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Background

Section 1025 of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA), Public Law 102–240, 105 Stat. 1914, (December 18, 1991), amended title 23, United States Code (U.S.C.), section 135 and established a requirement for Statewide Transportation Planning and stated, “[t]he transportation needs of non-metropolitan areas should be considered through a process that includes consultation with local elected officials with jurisdiction over transportation.” The ISTEA further stated “[p]rojects undertaken in areas of less than 50,000 population (excluding projects undertaken on the National Highway System and pursuant to the bridge and Interstate maintenance programs) shall be selected by the State in cooperation with the affected local officials. Projects undertaken in such areas on the National Highway System or pursuant to the bridge and Interstate maintenance programs shall be selected by the State in consultation with the affected local officials.”

Section 1204 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), Public Law 105-178, 112 Stat. 107 (June 9, 1998), further amended 23 U.S.C. 135, while preserving the statewide planning requirement for a continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative planning process. Although the TEA-21 did not significantly alter the current decisionmaking relationship among governmental units, it does demonstrate the Congress' continued emphasis on States consultation with non-metropolitan local officials in transportation planning and programming. Consultation with non-metropolitan local officials in transportation planning and programming is the specific subject of the SNPRM, which the FHWA and the FTA published June 19, 2002, at 67 FR 41648.

The SNPRM provided an alternative proposal regarding consultation with non-metropolitan local officials which is different from that contained in the FHWA and the FTA notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) published on May 25, 2000 (65 FR 33922), which detailed proposed revisions to the existing planning regulations issued on October 28, 1993, at 58 FR 58040. Comments were solicited until August 23, 2000 (later extended to September 23, 2000, by a July 7, 2000, **Federal Register** notice at 65 FR 41891). The docket is still open.

The House report (H.R. Rep. No. 107-108, at 80 (2001)) that accompanied the U.S. DOT Appropriations Act for fiscal year (FY) 2002 (Pub. L. 107-87), and the conference report (H.R. Rep. No. 107-350 (2001)) for the Department of Defense FY 02 Appropriations Act (Pub. L. 107-117), contained several transportation provisions. They include language directing the U.S. DOT to promulgate a final rule, no later than February 1, 2002, to amend the FHWA and FTA planning regulations to ensure transportation officials from rural areas are consulted in long range transportation planning and programming.

The original comment period for the SNPRM is set to close on August 19, 2002. The AASHTO, NACO, and NADO are working together to develop joint comments on the SNPRM, and they jointly expressed concern that this closing date does not provide sufficient time to review the proposed changes, consolidate comments, and submit them. To allow time for these organizations and others to prepare and submit appropriate comments, the closing date for comments is changed from August 19, 2002, to September 19, 2002.

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 134, 135, and 315; and 49 U.S.C. 5303-5306.

Issued on: August 8, 2002.

Mary E. Peters,
Federal Highway Administrator.

Jennifer L. Dorn,
Federal Transit Administrator.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

26 CFR Part 1

[REG-106359-02]

RIN 1545-BA57

Compensatory Stock Options Under Section 482; Correction

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Correction to notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: This document contains corrections to a notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing published in the **Federal Register** on Monday, July 29, 2002 (67 FR 48997) that provides guidance regarding the application of the rules of section 482 governing qualified cost sharing arrangements.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas Gible, (202) 874-1490 (not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The temporary regulations that are the subject of these corrections are under section 355(e) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Need for Correction

As published, REG-106359-02 contains errors which may prove to be misleading and are in need of clarification.

Correction of Publication

Accordingly, the publication of the (REG-106359-02), which is the subject of FR Doc. 02-19126 is corrected as follows:

1. On page 49001, column 2, in the preamble under the paragraph heading "Comments and Public Hearing", first full paragraph, line 2, the language "for October 21, 2002, at 10 a.m., in" is corrected to read "for November 20, 2002, at 10 a.m., in".

2. On page 49001, column 2, in the preamble under the paragraph heading

"Comments and Public Hearing", second paragraph, third line from the bottom, the language "September 30, 2002. A period of 10" is corrected to read "October 30, 2002. A period of 10".

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Chief, Regulations Unit, Associate Chief Counsel (Income Tax and Accounting).
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

26 CFR Part 1

[REG-248110-96]

RIN 1545-AY48

Guidance Under Section 817A Regarding Modified Guaranteed Contracts; Hearing Cancellation

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Cancellation of notice of public hearing on proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This document cancels the public hearing on proposed regulations that affects insurance companies that define the interest rate to be used with respect to certain insurance contracts that guarantee higher returns for an initial, temporary period.

DATES: The public hearing originally scheduled for Tuesday, August 27, 2002, at 10 a.m., is cancelled.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LaNita Van Dyke of the Regulations Unit, Associate Chief Counsel (Income Tax and Accounting), (202) 622-7190 (not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing that appeared in the **Federal Register** on Monday, June 03, 2002 (67 FR 38214), announced that a public hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, August 27, 2002, at 10 a.m., in room 4718, Internal Revenue Building, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. The subject of the public hearing is proposed regulations under section 817 of the Internal Revenue Code. The public comment period for these proposed regulations expired on Tuesday, August 6, 2002.

The notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing, instructed those interested in testifying at the public hearing to submit a request to speak and an outline of the topics to be addressed. As of Monday, August 12, 2002, no one has requested to speak. Therefore, the public hearing scheduled