

| Destination | Envelope size | |
|-------------------|---------------|-------|
| | Small | Large |
| Pacific Rim | 4.95 | 8.95 |
| Canada | 3.75 | 6.95 |

Accordingly, the Postal Service hereby adopts WPL, on an interim basis, at the rates set forth in the schedule above. Although 39 U.S.C. 407 does not require advance notice and opportunity for submission of comments, and the Postal Service is exempted by 39 U.S.C. 410(a) from the advance notice requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act regarding proposed rulemaking (5 U.S.C. 553), the Postal Service invites interested persons to submit written data, views, or arguments concerning the interim rule.

The Postal Service adopts the following amendments to the International Mail Manual, which is incorporated by reference in the Code of Federal Regulations. See 39 CFR 20.1.

List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 20

International postal service, Foreign relations.

PART 20—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 39 CFR part 20 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 39 U.S.C. 401, 404, 407, 408.

2. Chapter 2 of the International Mail Manual is amended by adding new part 226 to read as follows:

2 CONDITIONS FOR MAILING

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226 WORLDPOST Priority Letter (Interim Regulations/Standards)

226.1 General

226.11 Definition

WORLDPOST Priority Letter (WPL) is an expedited airmail letter service providing fast, reliable, and economical delivery of all items mailable as letters. WPL items receive priority handling in the United States and in destination countries. Service is available only to destination countries identified in 226.2, from post offices identified in 226.3. WPL items must be mailed in special envelopes provided for this purpose by the Postal Service.

226.12 Permissible Items

All items admitted in letters (see 221.1) are accepted in WPL as long as the contents fit securely into the WPL envelopes provided by the Postal Service. WPL items may contain dutiable merchandise unless the country of destination prohibits dutiable merchandise in letters (see 224.51). However, WPL items that contain dutiable merchandise might experience delay in delivery caused by customs handling.

226.13 Addressing

See 122. All items must bear the complete delivery address of the addressee and the full

name (no abbreviations) of the destination country.

226.2 Availability

WORLDPOST Priority Letter service is available only to the following countries:

| Western Europe | Pacific Rim | Canada |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------|
| Belgium | Australia | Canada |
| France | Hong Kong | |
| Germany | Japan | |
| Great Britain* .. | New Zealand .. | |
| Norway | Singapore | |
| Sweden | Taiwan | |
| The Nether-lands. | | |

* Includes all points in England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Guernsey, Jersey, and the Isle of Man.

226.3 Mailing Locations

226.31 Acceptance Offices and Pickup Service Locations

WPL service is available only through the designated post offices listed in 226.32.

WPL items must not be accepted or deposited in areas not listed in 226.32.

226.32 Service Areas

Service is available only from the metropolitan areas as defined by the ZIP Code ranges shown below. Within these service areas, prepaid items may be given to carriers, deposited in Express Mail collection boxes, or mailed at post offices, stations, and branches. Pickup service is available.

| Metropolitan area | ZIP code service area |
|-----------------------|--|
| Atlanta, GA | 300–303, 305, 306, 311 |
| Boston, MA | 018–024 |
| Dallas/Ft. Worth, TX. | 750–754, 760–762, 764 |
| Los Angeles, CA. | 900–918, 926–928 |
| Miami, FL | 330–334, 349 |
| New York, NY . | 068, 069, 100–108, 110–118 |
| Washington, DC. | 200, 201, 203, 205, 20813–20815, 20817, 20850–20852, 20854, 20855, 20898, 20901, 20902, 20904, 20906, 20907, 20910–20912, 222, 223 |

226.4 Postage

226.41 Rates

Rates are based on size (either small or large) and destination as follows:

| Destination | Envelope size | |
|----------------------|---------------|--------|
| | Small | Large |
| Western Europe | \$3.75 | \$6.95 |
| Pacific Rim | 4.95 | 8.95 |
| Canada | 3.75 | 6.95 |

226.42 Pickup Service

On-call and scheduled pickup service are available for WORLDPOST Priority Letters for a charge of \$4.95 for each pickup stop, regardless of the number of pieces picked up. Only one pickup fee is charged if domestic or international Express Mail, domestic Priority Mail, or domestic or international

parcel post is picked up at the same time. (See DMM D010 for standards for pickup service.)

226.43 Postage Payment Methods

Postage for WORLDPOST Priority Letters may be paid by adhesive stamps, postage meter and meter stamps, or, if presented at a post office, postage validation imprinter (PVI) labels.

226.5 Packaging

Items must be placed in special WORLDPOST Priority Letter envelopes provided by the Postal Service. All items that cannot be adequately protected by these envelopes should not be mailed using this service. Envelopes must be sealed.

226.6 Size and Weight Limits

226.61 General

Two sizes of envelopes are available from the Postal Service for mailing WPL items. Postage rates are based on the size of the envelope used, not the weight of the item. (See 226.41 for rates.)

226.62 Size Limits

Sizes of the required Postal Service-provided envelopes are:

- a. Small size—5 inches by 8–7/8 inches.
- b. Large size—9 inches by 11–1/2 inches.

226.63 Weight Limits

The Postal Service-provided envelopes are not intended to accommodate items weighing more than several ounces. However, the maximum weight for letter-class (LC) items is 4 pounds.

226.7 Customs Forms Required

If WORLDPOST Priority Letters contain dutiable merchandise, the sender must prepare a customs declaration and affix it to the letter. See 123 for instructions. Certain nonpostal export forms may be required as described in Chapter 5.

226.8 Special Services

Mailers may obtain certificates of mailing (see 310). No other special services such as registry, insurance, restricted delivery, return receipt, or recorded delivery are available.

A transmittal letter making the changes in the pages of the International Mail Manual will be published and transmitted automatically to subscribers. Notice of issuance of the transmittal letter will be published in the **Federal Register** as provided by 39 CFR 20.3.

Stanley F. Mires,

Chief Counsel, Legislative.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 281

[FRL-5173-6]

Massachusetts; Final Approval of State Underground Storage Tank Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of final determination on the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' application for final approval.

SUMMARY: The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has applied for final approval of its Underground Storage Tank (UST) Program under Subtitle I of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 9004. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed Massachusetts's application and has reached a final determination that Massachusetts's UST Program satisfies all the requirements necessary to qualify for final approval. Thus, EPA is granting final approval to Massachusetts to operate its program in lieu of the Federal UST program.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Final approval for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' UST Program shall be effective at 1:00 p.m. on April 17, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Myra Schwartz, Office of Underground Storage Tanks, HPU-CAN7, U.S. EPA, Region I, JFK Federal Building, Boston, MA 02203, (617) 573-5743.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

Section 9004 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) enables EPA to approve state underground storage tank programs to operate in a state in lieu of the Federal UST program. To qualify for final authorization, a state's program must: (1) Be "no less stringent" than the Federal program, and (2) provide for adequate enforcement. Section 9004 (a) and (b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6991c (a) and (b).

On October 5, 1992, as required by 40 CFR 281.50(c), EPA acknowledged receiving from Massachusetts a complete official application requesting final approval to administer its UST program. On May 17, 1994, EPA published a tentative decision announcing its intent to grant Massachusetts final approval of its program. See 59 FR 25588 (1994). Further background on EPA's tentative decision to grant approval is included in that decision.

Along with the tentative determination, EPA announced the availability of the application for public comment and the date of a public hearing on the application. EPA received written and oral comments on the application, and a public hearing was held on June 30, 1994.

Three commentators raised concerns regarding the applicability of environmental justice to the Massachusetts UST program

implementation. EPA notes that Massachusetts' receipt of Federal financial assistance subjects Massachusetts to the obligations of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. EPA is committed to working with Massachusetts to support and ensure compliance with all Title VI requirements. Furthermore, the narrative portion of Massachusetts' application expresses its voluntary support of environmental justice principles in the management of the UST program. Although this is not a criterion for program approval, EPA acknowledges Massachusetts' support of environmental justice principles.

B. Decision

I conclude that Massachusetts' application for final approval meets all of the statutory and regulatory requirements established by Subtitle I of RCRA. Accordingly, Massachusetts is granted final approval to operate its UST program in lieu of the Federal program. Massachusetts now has the responsibility for managing all regulated underground storage tank facilities within its borders and carrying out all aspects of the Federal UST program, except with regard to Indian lands, where EPA will continue to have regulatory authority. Massachusetts also has primary enforcement responsibility, although EPA retains the right to conduct inspections under Section 9005 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6991d, and to take enforcement actions under Section 9006 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6991e. EPA will continue to work together with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in its ongoing commitment and efforts to address environmental justice concerns in low-income urban and minority neighborhoods in Massachusetts.

Compliance With Executive Order 12866

The Office of Management and Budget has exempted this rule from the requirements of section 6 of Executive Order 12866.

Certification Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act

Pursuant to the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 605(b), I hereby certify that the approval will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This approval effectively suspends the applicability of certain federal regulations in favor of Massachusetts' Program, thereby eliminating duplicative requirements for owners and operators of underground storage tanks within Massachusetts. It does not impose any new burdens on

small entities. This rule, therefore, does not require flexibility analysis.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 281

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Hazardous materials.

Authority: Section 9004 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act as amended, 42 U.S.C. 6991c.

Dated: March 3, 1995.

John P. DeVillars,

Regional Administrator.

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40 CFR Part 281

[FRL-5173-5]

Texas; Final Approval of State Underground Storage Tank Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of final determination on Texas' application for final approval.

SUMMARY: The State of Texas has applied for final approval of its underground storage tank (UST) program under Subtitle I of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed Texas' application and has reached a final determination that Texas' UST program satisfies all of the requirements necessary to qualify for final approval. Thus, EPA is granting final approval to Texas to operate its program.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Final approval for Texas shall be effective at 1:00 p.m. Central Standard Time on April 17, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joe Womack, Texas Program Officer, Underground Storage Tank Program, US EPA, Region 6, Mailcode: 6H-A, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202, Phone: (214)665-6586.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

Section 9004 of RCRA enables EPA to approve State UST programs to operate in the State in lieu of the Federal UST program. To qualify for final authorization, a state's program must: (1) Be "no less stringent" than the Federal program; and (2) provide for adequate enforcement (sections 9004(a) and 9004(b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6991c(a)).

B. Texas

On April 28, 1994, Texas submitted an official application for final approval. On January 24, 1995, EPA published a tentative decision announcing its intent