

§ 702.413 Fees for medical services; prevailing community charges.

All fees charged by medical care providers for persons covered by this Act shall be limited to such charges for the same or similar care (including supplies) as prevails in the community in which the medical care provider is located and shall not exceed the customary charges of the medical care provider for the same or similar services. Where a dispute arises concerning the amount of a medical bill, the Director shall determine the prevailing community rate using the OWCP Medical Fee Schedule (as described in 20 CFR 10.411) to the extent appropriate, and where not appropriate, may use other state or federal fee schedules. The opinion of the Director that a charge by a medical care provider disputed under the provisions of § 702.414 exceeds the charge which prevails in the community in which said medical care provider is located shall constitute sufficient evidence to warrant further proceedings pursuant to § 702.414 and to permit the Director to direct the claimant to select another medical provider for care to the claimant.

7. In § 702.414, paragraphs (a) and (c) are revised to read as follows:

§ 702.414 Fees for medical services; unresolved disputes on prevailing charges.

(a) The Director may, upon written complaint of an interested party, or upon the Director's own initiative, investigate any medical care provider or any fee for medical treatment, services, or supplies that appears to exceed prevailing community charges for similar treatment, services or supplies or the provider's customary charges. The OWCP medical fee schedule (see § 702.413) shall be used by the Director, where appropriate, to determine the prevailing community charges for a medical procedure by a physician or hospital (to the extent such procedure is covered by the OWCP fee schedule). A claim by the provider that the OWCP fee schedule does not represent the prevailing community rate will be considered only where the following circumstances are presented: (1) Where the actual procedure performed was incorrectly identified by medical procedure code; (2) that the presence of a severe or concomitant medical condition made treatment especially difficult; (3) the provider possessed unusual qualifications (board certification in a specialty is not sufficient evidence in itself of unusual qualifications); or (4) the provider or service is not one covered by the OWCP fee schedule as described by 20 CFR

10.411(d)(1). These are the only circumstances which will justify reevaluation of the amount calculated under the OWCP fee schedule. The Director's investigation may initially be conducted informally through contact of the medical care provider by the district director. If this informal investigation is unsuccessful further proceedings may be undertaken. These proceedings may include, but not be limited to: An informal conference involving all interested parties; agency interrogatories to the pertinent medical care provider; and issuance of subpoenas duces tecum for documents having a bearing on the dispute.

(b) * * *

(c) After any proceeding under this section the Director shall make specific findings on whether the fee exceeded the prevailing community charges (as established by the OWCP fee schedule, where appropriate) or the provider's customary charges and provide notice of these findings to the affected parties.

PART 703—INSURANCE REGULATIONS**§ 703.121 [Removed]**

8. Section 703.121 is removed.

Signed at Washington, DC., this 1st day of May, 1995.

Ida L. Castro,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Workers' Compensation Programs.

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Occupational Safety and Health Administration**29 CFR Part 1926****Steel Erection Negotiated Rulemaking Advisory Committee**

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Notice of Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Steel Erection Negotiated Rulemaking Advisory Committee (SENTRAC). Notice is also given of the location of the meeting. This meeting will be open to the public. Information on room numbers will be available in the lobby of the designated building. A schedule of additional meetings will be provided in a future notice.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for May 24-26, 1995. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. on May 24th.

ADDRESSES: Hyatt Hotel at Dulles Airport—2300 Dulles Corner Boulevard, Herndon, VA 22071; telephone (703) 713-1234.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anne Cyr, Acting Director, Office of Information and Consumer Affairs, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3647, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210; telephone (202) 219-8151.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 11, 1994, OSHA announced that it had established the Steel Erection Negotiated Rulemaking Advisory Committee (SENTRAC) (59 FR 24389) in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), the Negotiated Rulemaking Act of 1990 (NRA) and section 7(b) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSH Act) to resolve issues associated with the development of a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Steel Erection. Appointees to the Committee include representatives from labor, industry, public interests and government agencies.

SENTRAC began negotiations in mid June, 1994, and has met seven times since. Initial meetings dealt with procedural matters, including schedules, agendas and the establishment of workgroups. The Committee established workgroups to address issues on Fall Protection, Allocation of Responsibility, Construction Specifications and Scope. During subsequent meetings, foundations for negotiations were established and additional workgroups were formed. In addition, the resolution of issues and the drafting of a revised rule continues.

All interested parties are invited to attend the Committee meetings at the time and place indicated above. No advanced registration is required. Seating will be available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. Persons with disabilities, who need special accommodations, should contact the Facilitator by May 17, 1995.

During the meeting, members of the general public may informally request permission to address the Committee.

Minutes of the meetings and materials prepared for the Committee will be available for public inspection at the OSHA Docket Office, N-2625, 200 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210; telephone (202) 219-7894. Copies of these materials may be obtained by sending a written request to the Facilitator.

The Facilitator, Philip J. Harter, can be reached at Suite 404, 2301 M Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20037; telephone (202) 887-1033, FAX (202) 887-1036.

Authority: This document was prepared under the direction of Joseph A. Dear, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210, pursuant to section 3 of the Negotiated Rulemaking Act of 1990, 104 Stat. 4969, Title 5 U.S.C. 561 *et seq.*; and Section 7(b) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, 84 Stat. 1597, Title 29 U.S.C. 656.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 3rd day of May, 1995.

Joseph A. Dear,

Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[AZ 47-1-6945b; FRL-5191-2]

Proposed Approval of Implementation Plans; Arizona—State Implementation Plan Revision, Maricopa Nonattainment Area; Basic and Enhanced Inspection and Maintenance Program for Carbon Monoxide and Ozone

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve revisions to the Arizona State Implementation Plan (SIP) which concern the implementation of both a basic inspection/maintenance (I/M) and enhanced I/M program to be implemented in ozone and carbon monoxide (CO) nonattainment areas of Arizona.

The intended effect of proposing approval of this SIP is to control emissions of CO and ozone precursors in accordance with the requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended in 1990 (CAA or the Act). In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, the EPA is approving the state's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial revision amendment and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for this approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this proposed rule, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this rule. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. The EPA will not

institute a second comment period on this document. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Comments on this proposed rule must be received in writing by June 7, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on this action should be addressed to: Roxanne Johnson, Mobile Source Section (A-2-1), Air and Toxics Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105.

Copies of the SIP revision and EPA's evaluation of the SIP are available for public inspection at EPA's Region 9 office during normal business hours. Copies of the submitted SIP revisions are also available for inspection at the following locations: Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division, 3033 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85012, Telephone: (602) 207-2300.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roxanne Johnson, Mobile Sources Section, A-2-1, Air and Toxics Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105, Telephone: (415) 744-1225.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This document concerns an Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) SIP revision to implement a basic and enhanced I/M program in CO and ozone nonattainment areas of Arizona. Because the Arizona legislature required upgrades for an enhanced I/M program that began January 3, 1995 which is currently running and operating smoothly, and because the State submitted a fully approvable SIP revision, the EPA decided to approve and take direct final action on the SIP submittal. For further information, please see the information provided in the direct final action which is located in the Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.

Dated: April 5, 1995.

John Wise,

Acting Regional Administrator.

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[NC-60-1-6736b; FRL-5198-2]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; North Carolina: Title V, Section 507, Small Business Stationary Source Technical and Environmental Compliance Assistance Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA proposes to approve the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of North Carolina for the purpose of establishing a small business assistance program (SBAP). In the final rules section of this **Federal Register**, the EPA is approving the State's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial revision amendment and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to that direct final rule, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this proposed rule. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. The EPA will not institute a second comment period on this document. Any parties interested in commenting on this document should do so at this time.

DATES: To be considered, comments must be received by June 7, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to: Kimberly Bingham, Regulatory Planning and Development Section, Air Programs Branch, Air, Pesticides & Toxics Management Division, Region 4 Environmental Protection Agency, 345 Courtland Street, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30365.

Copies of the material submitted by the State of North Carolina may be examined during normal business hours at the following locations:

Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center (Air Docket 6102), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460.

Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 Air Programs Branch, 345 Courtland Street, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30365.

State of North Carolina Department of Environment, Health and Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Management, P.O. Box 29535, Raleigh, North Carolina 27626-0535.