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For the reasons explained in the preamble, part 431 of Chapter IV, Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, is amended as set forth below:

PART 431—STATE ORGANIZATION AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

1. The authority citation for Part 431 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Sec. 1102 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1302).

2. Section 431.307 is amended by revising paragraph (a)(2) and (b) and by adding a new paragraph (d) to read as follows:

§ 431.307 Distribution of information materials.

(a) * * *

(2) Have no political implications except to the extent required to implement the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA) Pub. L. 103-31; for States that are exempt from the requirements of NVRA, voter registration may be a voluntary activity so long as the provisions of section 7(a)(5) of NVRA are observed;

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(b) The agency must not distribute materials such as "holiday" greetings,

general public announcements, partisan voting information and alien registration notices.

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(d) Under NVRA, the agency must distribute voter information and registration materials as specified in NVRA.

For the reasons explained in the preamble, Part 205 of Chapter II, Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, is amended as set forth below:

PART 205—GENERAL ADMINISTRATION—PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

1. The authority citation for Part 205 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 602, 603, 606, 607, 1302, 1306(a), and 1320b-7; 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-5.

2. Section 205.50 is amended by revising paragraphs (a)(4), introductory text, and (a)(4)(i), adding a new paragraph (a)(4)(iv), and adding paragraph (b) to read as follows:

§ 205.50 Safeguarding information for the financial assistance programs.

(a) * * *

(4) All materials sent or distributed to applicants, recipients, or medical vendors, including material enclosed in envelopes containing checks, will be limited to those which are directly related to the administration of the program and will not have political implications except to the extent required to implement the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA), Pub. L. 103-31. Under this requirement:

(i) Specifically excluded from mailing or distribution are materials such as

"holiday" greetings, general public announcements, alien registration notices, and partisan voting information.

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(iv) Under NVRA, the agency must distribute voter information and registration materials as specified in NVRA.

(b) *Voluntary voter registration activities.* For States that are exempt from the requirements of NVRA, voter registration may be a voluntary activity so long as the provisions of section 7(a)(5) of NVRA are observed.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

46 CFR Part 150

Compatibility of Cargoes

CFR Correction

In title 46 of the Code of Federal Regulations, parts 140 to 155, revised as of October 1, 1995, on page 46, in the second column, in part 150, appendix I (a), the entry for "Ethyl alcohol (20)" was inadvertently omitted in the "Compatible with" column for the entry "Caustic soda, 50% or less (5)" in the "Member of reactive group" column, preceding the entry for "Ethyl alcohol (40%, whiskey) (20).

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