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The Coast Guard will consider all comments received during the comment period. It may change this proposal in view of the comments.

The Coast Guard plans no public hearing. Persons may request a public hearing by writing to the Project Manager at the address under **ADDRESSES**. If it is determined that the opportunity for oral presentations will aid this rulemaking, the Coast Guard will hold a public hearing at the time and place announced by a later notice in the **Federal Register**.

#### Background and Purpose

The proposed regulations are needed to provide for the safety of life during the Head of the South Rowing Regatta. There will be up to 6000 participants racing singles, doubles, four and eight person rowing shells on a fixed course. These regulations are intended to promote the safe navigation on the Savannah River immediately before, during, and after the regatta by controlling the traffic entering, exiting, and traveling within the regatta area. The anticipated concentration of spectator vessels poses a safety concern which is addressed in this proposed special local regulation. The proposed regulation would not permit the entry or movement of spectator vessels and other non-participating vessel traffic between a line drawn directly across the Savannah River at mile markers 200.2 and 197.45 on Friday, November 7th and Saturday, November 8th, 1997, between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. EST.

#### Regulatory Evaluation

This rule is not a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that order. It has been exempted from review by the Office of Management and Budget under that order. It is not significant under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Transportation (DOT) (44 FR 11040; February 26, 1979). The Coast Guard expects the economic impact of this proposal to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation under paragraph 10(e) of the regulatory policies and procedures of DOT is unnecessary. The regulated area encompasses less than 3 nautical miles on the Savannah River between mile markers 200.2 and 197.45, entry into which is prohibited for only twelve hours on each day of the event.

#### Small Entities

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*), the Coast Guard must consider whether this proposed rule, if adopted, will have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. "Small entities" include small businesses, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their field and governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000.

Therefore, the Coast Guard certifies under section 605(b) that this proposed rule, if adopted, will not have a significant effect upon a substantial number of small entities because it encompasses less than 3 nautical miles on the Savannah River between mile markers 200.2 and 197.45, entry into which is prohibited for only twelve hours on two days.

If, however, you think that your business or organization qualifies as a small entity and that this proposed rule will have a significant economic impact on your business or organization, please submit a comment (see **ADDRESSES**) explaining why you think it qualifies and in what way and to what degree this proposed rule will economically affect it.

#### Collection of Information

These regulations contain no collection of information requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

#### Federalism

This action has been analyzed in accordance with the principals and criteria contained in Executive Order 12612 and it has been determined that this rulemaking does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

#### Environmental Assessment

The Coast Guard has considered the environmental impact of this action, and has determined pursuant to Section 2.B.2.e(34)(h) of Commandant Instruction M16475.1B, that it is categorically excluded from further environmental documentation. A Categorical Exclusion Determination and Environmental Analysis Checklist will be prepared during the comment period and will be available for inspection and copying after the comment period for this proposed rulemaking has expired.

#### List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 100

Marine Safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Waterways.

#### Proposed Regulations

In consideration of the foregoing, Part 100 of Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations, is proposed for amendment as follows:

#### PART 100—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 100 continues to read as follows:

**Authority.** 33 U.S.C. 1233; 49 CFR 1.46 and 33 CFR 100.35.

2. A temporary section 100.35T-07-047 is added to read as follows:

#### § 100.35T-07-047 Head of the South Rowing Regatta, Savannah River at Augusta, GA.

(a) *Regulated area.* A regulated area is established on that portion of the Savannah River at Augusta, GA, between mile markers 200.2 and 197.45. The regulated area encompasses the width of the Savannah River between these two points. All coordinates referenced use Datum: NAD 83.

(b) *Coast Guard Patrol Commander.* The Coast Guard Patrol Commander is a commissioned, warrant, or petty officer of the Coast Guard who has been designated by the Commander, Coast Guard Group Charleston, SC.

(c) *Special Local Regulations.* Entry into the regulated area by other than event participants is prohibited, unless otherwise authorized by the Coast Guard Patrol Commander. After termination of the Head of the South Rowing Regatta on November 7 and 8, 1997, all vessels may resume normal operations.

(d) *Effective Date.* This section is effective from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. EST on November 7 and 8, 1997.

Dated: September 18, 1997.

**N.T. Saunders,**

*Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard Commander, Seventh Coast Guard District.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[NM-31-1-7310b; FRL-5893-5]

### Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans, New Mexico; Recodification of, and Revisions to, the Air Quality Control Regulations

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

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**SUMMARY:** The EPA proposes to approve the recodification of, and revisions to, the New Mexico State Implementation Plan (SIP). The existing Air Quality Control Regulations (AQCR) have been renumbered and reformatted into the New Mexico Administrative Code as required by the New Mexico State Records Center. In addition to having renumbered and reformatted the regulations, standard administrative changes have been made throughout all AQCRs, and revisions made to seven particular AQCRs. The intended effects of these revisions are to delete obsolete, nonessential, redundant, and technically inadequate regulations; make certain rules and definitions more explicit and; make one particular regulation more closely reflect current New Mexico Environment Department policy.

In the Rules and Regulations section of this **Federal Register**, 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 and anticipates no adverse comments. The rationale for the 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 during the 30-day comment period set forth below will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. 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 October 27, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on this action should be addressed to Mr. Thomas Diggs, Chief, Air Planning Section, at the EPA Region 6 Office listed below. Reference Docket Number: File Code SIP 1-3-10; NM-90-05. Copies of the documents relevant to this proposed rule are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following locations.

Anyone wanting to examine these documents should make an appointment with the appropriate office at least two working days in advance. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, Air Planning Section (6PD-L), Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733.

New Mexico Environment Department, Air Quality Bureau, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Room So. 2100, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eaton R. Weiler, of the EPA Region 6 Air Planning Section at the above address, telephone (214) 665-2174.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** See the information provided in the direct final action of the same title which is published in the Rules and Regulations section of this **Federal Register**.

#### List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Carbon monoxide, Hydrocarbons, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Lead, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Particulate matter, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Sulfur oxides, Volatile organic compounds.

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

Dated: September 8, 1997.

**Lynda F. Carroll,**

*Acting Regional Administrator.*

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### 40 CFR Part 799

[OPPTS-42187J; FRL-5748-8]

RIN 2070-AC76

#### Proposed Test Rule for Hazardous Air Pollutants; Extension of Comment Period

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is extending the public comment period from September 30, 1997 to December 1, 1997, on the proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** of June 26, 1996 (61 FR 33178)(FRL-4869-1) requiring the testing of 21 hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) for certain health effects. This extension is needed to allow the Agency more time to amend the HAPs test rule proposal to reference eleven new Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) test guidelines and make other changes and clarifications to the proposed rule.

**DATES:** Written comments on the proposed rule must be received by EPA on or before December 1, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit three copies of written comments on the proposed HAPs test rule, identified by docket control number (OPPTS-42187A; FRL-4869-1) to: Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), Document Control

Office (7407), Rm. G-099, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically to [oppt.ncic@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:oppt.ncic@epamail.epa.gov). Follow the instructions under Unit II. of this document. No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Susan B. Hazen, Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Rm. ET-543B, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone (202) 554-1404; TDD: (202) 554-0551; e-mail: [TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov). For technical information contact: Richard W. Leukroth, Jr., Project Manager, Chemical Control Division (7405), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone: (202) 260-0321; fax: (202) 260-8850; e-mail: [leukroth.rich@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:leukroth.rich@epamail.epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Electronic Availability:** Electronic copies of this document, all **Federal Register** support documents, and the eleven TSCA test guidelines are available from the EPA Home Page at the **Federal Register** - Environmental Documents entry under "Laws and Regulations" (<http://www.epa.gov/fedrgrstr>).

#### I. Background and General Information

On June 26, 1996 (61 FR 33178), EPA proposed health effects testing, under section 4(a) of TSCA, of the following hazardous air pollutants (HAPs): 1,1'-biphenyl, carbonyl sulfide, chlorine, chlorobenzene, chloroprene, cresols (3 isomers: *ortho*-, *meta*-, *para*-), diethanolamine, ethylbenzene, ethylene dichloride, ethylene glycol, hydrochloric acid, hydrogen fluoride, maleic anhydride, methyl isobutyl ketone, methyl methacrylate, naphthalene, phenol, phthalic anhydride, 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and vinylidene chloride. EPA would use the data generated under the rule to implement several provisions of section 112 of the Clean Air Act and to meet other EPA data needs and those of other Federal agencies. In the HAPs proposal, EPA invited the submission of proposals for pharmacokinetics (PK) studies for the HAPs chemicals, which could provide the basis for negotiation of enforceable consent agreements (ECAs). These PK studies would be used to conduct route-to-route extrapolation of toxicity data from routes other than inhalation to