

Agency, Region 8, 999 18th Street, suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466.

Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at the following office: United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8, Air Program, 999 18th Street, suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tim Russ, Air Program (8P2-A), United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466, ph. (303) 312-6479.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: See the information provided in the Direct Final action which is located in the Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: October 3, 1997.

William P. Yellowtail,

Regional Administrator, Region VIII.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 62

[ND-001-0003b; FRL-5933-9]

Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; North Dakota; Control of Landfill Gas Emissions From Existing Municipal Solid Waste Landfills

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA is proposing to approve the North Dakota plan for implementing the Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Landfill Emission Guidelines at 40 CFR part 60, subpart Cc, which was required pursuant to section 111(d) of the Clean Air Act (Act). The State's plan, which was submitted to EPA on September 11, 1997, establishes performance standards for existing MSW landfills and provides for the implementation and enforcement of those standards.

In the final rules section of this **Federal Register**, the EPA is approving the State's submittal in a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial action 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 this proposed rule, no further activity is contemplated

and the direct final rule will become effective. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. 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: Comments on this proposed rule must be received in writing by January 14, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on this action should be addressed to Vicki Stamper, 8P2-A, at the EPA Region VIII Office listed. Copies of the documents relevant to this proposed rule are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following locations: Air Program, Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, suite 500, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466; and the North Dakota Department of Health, Division of Environmental Engineering, 1200 Missouri Avenue, room 304, Box 5520, Bismarck, North Dakota 58506-5520.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vicki Stamper, EPA Region VIII, (303) 312-6445.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: See the information provided in the direct final action which is located in the rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: October 24, 1997.

William P. Yellowtail,

Regional Administrator, Region VIII.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Special Programs Administration

49 CFR Part 195

[Docket No. RSPA-97-2362; Notice 1]

RIN 2137-AD06

Pipeline Safety: Incorporation by Reference of Industry Standard on Leak Detection

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA).

ACTION: Correction to RIN number.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the RIN number of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking [Docket RSPA-97-2362; Notice 1], published in the **Federal Register** on October 29, 1997 (62 FR 56141). In the document heading on page 56141, the RIN number "RIN

2137-AD05" is changed to read "RIN 2137-AD06." The notice proposes to adopt as a referenced document an industry publication for pipeline leak detection, API 1130, "Computational Pipeline Monitoring."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lloyd Ulrich, (202) 366-4556.

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Richard B. Felder,

Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 971201282-7282-01; I.D. 102897B]

RIN 0648-AK38

Halibut Fisheries in U.S. Convention Waters Off Alaska; Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Management Measures to Reduce Seabird Bycatch in the Hook-and-Line Halibut and Groundfish Fisheries

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS proposes regulations that would require operators of vessels fishing for Pacific halibut in U.S. Convention waters off Alaska to conduct fishing operations in a specified manner and to employ specified measures intended to reduce seabird bycatch and incidental seabird mortality. This rule would also amend the regulations requiring seabird bycatch avoidance measures in the hook-and-line groundfish fisheries of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands (BSAI) and the Gulf of Alaska (GOA) to clarify one of the measures. The proposed halibut fisheries measures are intended to mitigate interactions with the short-tailed albatross (*Diomedea albatrus*), an endangered species protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA), and with other seabird species in fisheries in and off Alaska.

DATES: Comments must be received by January 14, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to Chief, Sustainable Fisheries Division, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668,