

The filing and service of any pleadings under this rule may be made by facsimile transmission. The filing of a petition shall not stay the effect of the Judge's order unless the Commission so directs; a motion for such a stay will be granted only under extraordinary circumstances. Any response shall be filed within 5 days following service of a petition. The Commission's ruling on a petition shall be made on the basis of the petition and any response (any further briefs will be entertained only at the express direction of the Commission), and shall be rendered within 10 days following receipt of any response or the expiration of the period for filing such response. In extraordinary circumstances, the Commission's time for decision may be extended.

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7. Section 2700.70 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) and (d) to read as follows:

**§ 2700.70 Petitions for discretionary review.**

(a) *Procedure.* Any person adversely affected or aggrieved by a Judge's decision or order may file with the Commission a petition for discretionary review within 30 days after issuance of the decision or order. Filing of a petition for discretionary review, including a facsimile transmission, is effective upon receipt. Two or more parties may join in the same petition; the Commission may consolidate related petitions. Procedures governing petitions for review of temporary reinstatement orders are found at § 2700.45(f).

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(d) *Requirements.* Each issue shall be separately numbered and plainly and concisely stated, and shall be supported by detailed citations to the record, when assignments of error are based on the record, and by statutes, regulations, or other principal authorities relied upon. Except by permission of the Commission and for good cause shown, petitions for discretionary review shall not exceed 35 pages. A motion requesting an extension of the page limit shall be filed not less than 10 days prior to the date the petition for discretionary review is due to be filed, shall state the approximate length of the extension required, and shall comply with § 2700.10. Except for good cause shown, no assignment of error by any party shall rely on any question of fact or law upon which the Judge had not been afforded an opportunity to pass.

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8. Section 2700.75 is amended by revising paragraphs (c) and (d), by

re-designating paragraph (f) as (g), and by adding a new paragraph (f) to read as follows:

**§ 2700.75 Briefs.**

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(c) *Length of brief.* Except by permission of the Commission and for good cause shown, opening briefs shall not exceed 35 pages, response briefs shall not exceed 25 pages, and reply briefs shall not exceed 15 pages. A brief of an amicus curiae shall not exceed 25 pages. A brief of an intervenor shall not exceed the page limitation applicable to the party whose position it supports in affirming or reversing the Judge, or if a different position is taken, such brief shall not exceed 25 pages. Tables of contents or authorities shall not be counted against the length of a brief.

(d) *Motion for extension of time.* A motion for an extension of time to file a brief shall comply with § 2700.9. The Commission may decline to accept a brief that is not timely filed.

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(f) *Motion for extension of page limit.* A motion requesting an extension of the page limit for a brief shall be filed not less than 10 days prior to the date the brief is due to be filed, shall state the approximate length of the extension required, and shall comply with § 2700.10.

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9. Section 2700.76 is amended by revising paragraph (a) to read as follows:

**§ 2700.76 Interlocutory review.**

(a) *Procedure.* Interlocutory review by the Commission shall not be a matter of right but of the sound discretion of the Commission. Procedures governing petitions for review of temporary reinstatement orders are found at § 2700.45(f).

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Minerals Management Service**

**30 CFR Parts 218, 250, and 256**

**RIN 1010-AC32**

**Postlease Operations Safety**

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Extension of comment period for proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** This notice extends to July 17, 1998, the deadline for submitting comments on the proposed rule on Postlease Operations Safety.

**DATES:** We will consider all comments received by July 17, 1998, and we may not fully consider comments received after July 17, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail or hand-carry written comments (three copies) to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; 381 Elden Street; Mail Stop 4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817; Attention: Rules Processing Team.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kumkum Ray, Engineering and Operations Division, at (703) 787-1600.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** MMS was asked to extend the deadline for submitting comments on the proposed Postlease Operations Safety rule published on February 13, 1998 (63 FR 7335) and the correction to the proposed rule published on March 9, 1998 (63 FR 11385). The request explains that the proposed rule has a number of important changes that require careful consideration for comprehensive comments. Because the proposed rule was rewritten in "plain English" and sections, paragraphs, and sentences do not have the same order and numbering sequence as the current regulations in 30 CFR part 250, subpart A, additional time was requested to sort out the proposed rule for comparison.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Coast Guard**

**33 CFR Part 100**

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**RIN 2115-AE46**

**Special Local Regulations; Deerfield Beach, FL**

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.  
**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is proposing to establish permanent special local regulations for the Annual Deerfield Beach Super Boat Grand Prix powerboat race. This event will be held annually offshore Deerfield Beach on the third Sunday of July, between 12:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). These regulations are necessary to