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The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to 14 CFR part 71 to establish Class E airspace at Duluth St. Mary's Hospital Heliport, MN, to accommodate aircraft executing the proposed GPS SIAP 190° helicopter point in space approach, and the GPS SIAP 330° helicopter point in space approach, for St. Mary's Hospital Heliport by creating controlled airspace. Controlled airspace extending upward from 700 to 1200 feet AGL is needed to contain aircraft executing the approaches. The area would be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts. Class E airspace designations for airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9E dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document would be published subsequently in the Order.

The FAA has determined that this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore this, proposed regulation—(1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a Regulatory Evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this proposed rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIRWAYS; ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

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AGL MN E5 Duluth St. Mary's Hospital Heliport, MN [New]

St. Mary's Hospital Heliport, MN

Point in Space Coordinates
(Lat. 46°47'38"N., long. 92°05'52" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.0-mile radius of the Point in Space serving St. Mary's Hospital Heliport excluding that airspace within the Duluth, MN, Class D airspace area, and the Duluth, MN, Duluth Sky Harbor, MN, and the Superior, WI, Class E airspace areas.

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David B. Johnson,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[UT-001-0005b, UT-001-0006b, UT-001-0007b, UT-001-0009b, UT-001-0012b, UT-001-0013b; FRL-6140-4]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Utah; Listing of Exempt Volatile Organic Compounds and Approval of Minor Rule Changes for Emissions From Air Strippers and Soil Venting Projects, and Repeal of Perchloroethylene Dry Cleaning Plant Requirements

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve State Implementation Plan (SIP)

revisions submitted by the Governor of the State of Utah on November 8, 1995, February 12, 1996, November 20, 1996, May 15, 1997, and June 10, 1998, for the purpose of establishing a revised and updated definition of a volatile organic compound (VOC) in UACR R307-1-1. The November 8, 1995, February 12, 1996, November 20, 1996, and May 15, 1997 revisions were necessary to delete volatile methyl siloxanes, perchlorobenzotrifluoride (PCBTF), acetone, perchloroethylene (PERC), HFC 43-10mee, HCFC 225ca, and HCFC 225cb as EPA had previously determined that these compounds have a negligible contribution to tropospheric ozone formation. The June 10, 1998 submittal incorporated the deletion of 16 more pollutants from the federal list that were determined to have a negligible contribution to tropospheric ozone formation; the compounds are: HFC-32, HFC-161, HFC-236fa, HFC-245ca, HFC-245ea, HFC-245eb, HFC-245fa, HFC-236ea, HFC-365mfc, HCFC-31, HCFC-123a, HCFC-151a, C₄F₉OCH₃, (CF₃)₂CF₂OCH₃, C₄F₉OC₂H₅, and (CF₃)₂CF₂OC₂H₅ (compound names only are listed here, refer to 62 FR 44901, August 25, 1997, for the chemical name and 62 FR 44903, August 25, 1997, for the complete list of exempted VOCs). In addition, this action also approves the Governor's February 12, 1996, submittal that included minor revisions to UACR R307-6-1 regarding VOC emissions from air strippers and soil venting operations. EPA is also approving the Governor's November 20, 1996, request for the removal of UACR R307-14-8 which had addressed requirements for perchloroethylene dry cleaning plants located in ozone nonattainment and maintenance areas. In the Final Rules 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 SIP revision 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 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. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before September 14, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be mailed to Richard R. Long, Director, Air Program, Mailcode 8P2-A, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado, 80202. Copies of the documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Air Program, Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, 999 18th Street, Suite 500, Denver, Colorado, 80202. Copies of the State documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection at the Utah Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality, 150 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4820.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cindy Rosenberg, EPA, Region VIII, (303) 312-6436.

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

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*

Dated: July 30, 1998.

Patricia D. Hull,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region VIII.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

42 CFR Parts 416 and 488

[HCFA-1885-N]

RIN 0938-AH81

Medicare Program; Update of Ratesetting Methodology, Payment Rates, Payment Policies, and the List of Covered Procedures for Ambulatory Surgical Centers Effective October 1, 1998; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of extension of comment period for proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This notice extends the comment period for a proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** on June 12, 1998 (63 FR 32290). In that rule we proposed to:

- Update the criteria for determining which surgical procedures can be

appropriately and safely performed in an ambulatory surgical center (ASC);

- Make additions to and deletions from the current list of Medicare covered ASC procedures based on the revised criteria;
- Rebase the ASC payment rates using cost, charge, and utilization data collected by a 1994 survey of ASCs;
- Refine the ratesetting methodology that was implemented by a final notice published on February 8, 1990 in the **Federal Register**;
- Require that ASC payment, coverage, and wage index updates be implemented annually on January 1 rather than having these updates occur randomly throughout the year;
- Reduce regulatory burden; and
- Make several technical policy changes.

This proposed rule implements requirements of section 1833(i) (1) and (2) of the Social Security Act. The comment period is extended for 30 days.

DATES: The comment period is extended to 5 p.m. on September 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Mail written comments (one original and three copies) to the following address: Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: HCFA-1885-P, P.O. Box 26688, Baltimore, MD 21207-5178.

If you prefer, you may deliver your written comments (one original and three copies) to one of the following addresses: Room 309-G, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20201, or Room C5-09-26, Central Building, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850.

Because of staffing and resource limitations, we cannot accept comments by facsimile (FAX) transmission. In commenting, please refer to file code HCFA-1885-P. Comments received timely will be available for public inspection as they are received, generally beginning approximately 3 weeks after publication of a document, in Room 309-G of the Department's offices at 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, on Monday through Friday of each week from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (phone: (202) 690-7890).

For comments that relate to information collection requirements, mail a copy of comments to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, Attn: Allison Herron Eydt, HCFA Desk Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joan H. Sanow, (410) 786-5723.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On June 12, 1998, we issued a proposed rule in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 32290) that would:

- Update the criteria for determining which surgical procedures can be appropriately and safely performed in an ambulatory surgical center (ASC);
- Make additions to and deletions from the current list of Medicare covered ASC procedures based on the revised criteria;
- Rebase the ASC payment rates using cost, charge, and utilization data collected by a 1994 survey of ASCs;
- Refine the ratesetting methodology that was implemented by a final notice published on February 8, 1990 in the **Federal Register**;
- Require that ASC payment, coverage, and wage index updates be implemented annually on January 1, rather than having these updates occur randomly throughout the year;
- Reduce regulatory burden; and
- Make several technical policy changes.

The proposed rule would also implement requirements of section 1833(i)(1) and (2) of the Social Security Act. We indicated that comments would be considered if we received them by August 11, 1998.

Because of the complexity and scope of the proposed rule and because numerous members of the industry and professional associations have requested more time to analyze the potential consequences of the rule, we have decided to extend the comment period for an additional 30 days. This document announces the extension of the public comment period to September 10, 1998.

Authority: Secs. 1102 and 1871 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1302 and 1395hh).

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance; Program No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: August 10, 1998.

Nancy-Ann Min DeParle,

Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

Dated: August 10, 1998.

Donna E. Shalala,

Secretary.

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