

Table II.—Lump Sum Valuations:

[In using this table: (1) For benefits for which the participant or beneficiary is entitled to be in pay status on the valuation date, the immediate annuity rate shall apply; (2) For benefits for which the deferral period is y years (where y is an integer and $0 < y \leq n_1$), interest rate i_1 , shall apply from the

valuation date for a period of y years, and thereafter the immediate annuity rate shall apply; (3) For benefits for which the deferral period is y years (where y is an integer and $n_1 < y \leq n_1 + n_2$), interest rate i_2 shall apply from the valuation date for a period of $y - n_1$ years, interest rate i_2 shall apply for the following n_1 years, and thereafter the immediate annuity rate shall apply; (4) For

benefits for which the deferral period is y years (where y is an integer and $y > n_1 + n_2$), interest rate i^3 shall apply from the valuation date for a period of $y - n_1 - n_2$ years, interest rate i_2 shall apply for the following n_2 years, interest rate i_1 shall apply for the following n_1 years, and thereafter the immediate annuity rate shall apply.]

Rate set	For plans with a valuation date		Immediate annuity rate (percent)	Deferred annuities (percent)				
	On or after	Before		i_1	i_2	i_3	n_1	n_2
75	1-1-00	2-1-00	5.00	4.25	4.00	4.00	7	8

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

30 CFR Part 250

Boiler and Pressure Vessel Codes

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Technical amendment.

SUMMARY: This document makes technical amendments to regulations that were published in the **Federal Register** (61 FR 60019, November 26, 1996; redesignated and amended at 63 FR 26367, May 12, 1998; 63 FR 29479, 29484, May 29, 1998; 63 FR 37068, July 9, 1998) and were codified in the July 1, 1998, edition of Title 30—Minerals Resources, Parts 299–699, Code of Federal Regulations. This amendment incorporates updated versions of the ANSI/ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Sections I, IV, and VIII.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 15, 1999.

The incorporation by reference of the publications listed in the rule was

approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of December 15, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This amendment affects operators who install new boilers and pressure vessels on OCS facilities. Currently, sections I, IV, and VIII of the 1995 edition of the ANSI/ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code are incorporated by reference into MMS regulations in the table in paragraph (e) of 30 CFR 250.101. MMS has determined that the 1998 edition with the 1999 amendment provides a degree of safety equal to the currently incorporated 1995 edition, as has been determined by industry. According to 30 CFR 250.101(a)(2), we are incorporating by reference these updated versions.

The documents currently incorporated by reference and updated by this technical amendment are: ANSI/ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section I, Power Boilers, including Appendices, 1995 Edition; ANSI/ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section IV, Heating Boilers including Nonmandatory Appendices A, B, C, D, E, F, H, I, and J, and the Guide to Manufacturers Data Report Forms, 1995 Edition; ANSI/ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII, Pressure Vessels, Divisions 1 and 2, including Nonmandatory Appendices, 1995 Edition.

List of Subjects in 30 CFR Part 250

Continental shelf, Environmental impact statements, Environmental protection, Government contracts, Incorporation by reference, Investigations, Mineral royalties, Oil and gas development and production, Oil and gas exploration, Oil and gas reserves, Penalties, Pipelines, Public lands—mineral resources, Public lands—rights-of-way, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Sulphur development and production, Sulphur exploration, Surety bonds.

Accordingly, 30 CFR Part 250 is amended by making the following technical amendments:

PART 250—OIL AND GAS AND SULPHUR OPERATIONS IN THE OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF

1. The authority citation for Part 250 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*

§ 250.101 [Amended]

2. In § 250.101, in the table in paragraph (e), the three entries for “ANSI/ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code” are revised to read as follows:

§ 250.101 Documents incorporated by reference.

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Title of documents	Incorporated by reference at—
ANSI/ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section I, Rules for Construction of Power Boilers, including Appendices, 1998 Edition; July 1, 1999 Addenda, Rules for Construction of Power Boilers, by ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee Subcommittee on Power Boilers; and all Section I Interpretations Volume 43.	§ 250.803(b)(1), (b)(1)(i); § 250.1629(b)(1), (b)(1)(i).
ANSI/ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section IV, Rules for Construction of Heating Boilers, including Nonmandatory Appendices A, B, C, D, E, F, H, I, K, and L, and the Guide to Manufacturers Data Report Forms, 1998 Edition; July 1, 1999 Addenda, Rules for Construction of Heating Boilers, by ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee Subcommittee on Heating Boilers; and all Section IV Interpretations Volumes 43 and 44.	§ 250.803(b)(1), (b)(1)(i); § 250.1629(b)(1), (b)(1)(i).

Title of documents	Incorporated by reference at—
ANSI/ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section VIII, Rules for Construction of Pressure Vessels, Divisions 1 and 2, including Nonmandatory Appendices, 1998 Edition; July 1, 1999 Addenda, Rules for Construction of Pressure Vessels, by ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Committee Subcommittee on Pressure Vessels; and all Section VIII Interpretations, Divisions 1 and 2, Volumes 43 and 44.	§ 250.803(b)(1), (b)(1)(i); § 250.1629(b)(1), (b)(1)(i).
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Chief, Engineering and Operations Division.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

45 CFR Part 1302

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Head Start Program

AGENCY: Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF)
 Administration for Children and Families (ACF), HHS.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Administration on Children, Youth and Families is amending the Head Start regulations governing policies and procedures on selection and funding of grantees. The amendment removes the section on priority for previously selected Head Start agencies in open competitions for Head Start grants. We are removing this section because of increased confusion among existing Head Start grantees about the meaning of “priority” as ACYF acts to replace grantees who have been terminated or relinquish their grant. This change clarifies that the “priority” provided under the Head Start Act (“Act”) applies to annual refunding of existing grantees and not to competition to select a grantee to serve an unserved area or an area previously served by a grantee no longer with the program. Removal of this section does not affect the ongoing funding or operation of Head Start grantees.

DATES: This rule is effective January 14, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Kolb (202) 205-8580.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Program Purpose

Head Start is authorized under the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9801 *et seq.*). It is a national program providing

comprehensive developmental services primarily to low-income preschool children, primarily age three to the age of compulsory school attendance, and their families. To help enrolled children achieve their full potential, Head Start programs provide comprehensive health, nutritional, educational, social and other services. Also, section 645A of the Head Start Act provides authority (authorized in 1994) to fund programs for families with infants and toddlers. Programs receiving funds under the authority of this section are referred to as Early Head Start programs.

Additionally, Head Start programs are required to provide for the direct participation of the parents of enrolled children in the development, conduct, and direction of local programs. Parents also receive training and education to foster their understanding of and involvement in the development of their children. In fiscal year 1998, Head Start served 823,000 children through a network of over 2,000 grantees and delegate agencies.

While Head Start is intended to serve primarily children whose families have incomes at or below the poverty line or who receive public assistance, Head Start policy permits up to 10 percent of the children in local programs to be from families who do not meet these low-income criteria. The Act also requires that a minimum of 10 percent of the enrollment opportunities in each program be made available to children with disabilities. Such children are expected to participate in the full range of Head Start services and activities with their non-disabled peers and to receive needed special education and related services.

II. Discussion of the Final Rule

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) published on March 24, 1999, a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) proposing to remove § 1302.12, entitled “Priority for previously selected Head Start agencies” from the regulations governing the selection of Head Start grantees. This change was necessary to make it clear that the application of the priority provided by section 641(c) of the Head Start Act does not apply to competitions to select a

grantee to serve an unserved area or an area previously served by a grantee no longer with the program. (The 1998 Head Start reauthorization, however, provides priority to a delegate agency that functioned in the community when the Secretary is designating a Head Start agency but this change would not affect this rule.) We made no changes to the final rule.

Eliminating § 1302.12 clarifies that priority applies to the annual refunding of existing grantees providing services within their communities, not to other circumstances such as selection of a replacement grantee. The threshold requirement under Section 641(d) of the Head Start Act for holding a competition for award of Head Start funding is that there be no entity in the “community” which is eligible for a priority. “Community” is defined in Section 641(b) as “a city, county, multicounty or multicounty unit within a State, an Indian reservation (including Indians in any off-reservation area designated by an appropriate tribal government in consultation with the Secretary), or a neighborhood or other area (irrespective of boundaries or political subdivisions) which provides a suitable organizational base and possesses the commonality of interest needed to operate a Head Start program.” Under 45 CFR 1305.3(a), each grantee must specify in its annual application for refunding the “service area” to be served. The grantee must define its service area by “county or sub-county area, such as a municipality, town or census tract or a federally-recognized Indian reservation,” and it must not overlap with the service areas where other grantees have been designated to provide services, except where the service area of a Tribe includes a non-reservation area in which it serves children native to the reservation. A Head Start agency’s approved service area defines the community it is serving. A community which has not previously been served, or was served by a grantee no longer participating in the program, by definition is one in which no grantee is currently providing Head Start services within the community, and therefore one for which the grantee must be