

statutes, regulations, or procedures, a description of any additional material that would enable the participant to perfect the claim, and a statement of the steps necessary to appeal the denial.

(2) The employing agency must permit a participant at least 30 days to appeal the employing agency's denial of all or any part of a claim for correction under this subpart. The appeal must be in writing and addressed to the agency official designated in the initial decision or in procedures promulgated by the agency. The participant may include with his or her appeal any documentation or comments that the participant deems relevant to the claim.

(3) The employing agency must issue a written decision on a timely appeal within 30 days of receipt of the appeal, unless the employing agency provides the participant with good cause for requiring a longer period to decide the appeal. The employing agency decision must include the reasons for the decision, as well as citations to any applicable statutes, regulations, or procedures.

(4) If the agency decision on the appeal is not issued in a timely manner, or if the appeal is denied in whole or in part, the participant will be deemed to have exhausted his or her administrative remedies and will be eligible to file suit against the employing agency under 5 U.S.C. 8477. There is no administrative appeal to the Board of a final agency decision.

4. Section 1605.8 is revised to read as follows:

§ 1605.8 Claims for correction of Board or TSP record keeper errors; time limitations.

(a) *Filing claims.* Claims for correction of Board or TSP record keeper errors under this subpart may be submitted initially either to the TSP record keeper or the Board. The claim must be in writing and may be from the affected participant or beneficiary.

(b) *Board's or TSP record keeper's discovery of error.* (1) Upon discovery of an error made within the past six months involving the withdrawal of an account, the change of a withdrawal election, or the distribution of a death benefit, the Board or TSP record keeper must promptly correct the error on its own initiative. If the error was made more than six months before its discovery, the Board or TSP record keeper may exercise sound discretion in deciding whether to correct the error, but, in any event, must act promptly in doing so.

(2) For any other type of error, the Board or TSP record keeper must promptly correct the error if it is discovered before 30 days after the

issuance of the earlier of the most recent TSP participant statement or transaction confirmation that reflected (or would reflect) the error. If it is discovered after that time, the Board or TSP record keeper may use its sound discretion in deciding whether to correct it, but, in any event, must act promptly in doing so; provided, however, that no contribution allocation error which occurred before October 1, 2000, may be corrected if it is not the subject of a timely claim.

(c) *Participant's or beneficiary's discovery of error.* (1) If the Board or TSP record keeper fails to discover an error of which a participant or beneficiary has knowledge involving the withdrawal of an account, the change of a withdrawal election, or the distribution of a death benefit, the participant or beneficiary may file a claim for correction thereof with the Board or TSP record keeper without limitation of time. The Board or TSP record keeper must promptly correct any such error for which the participant or beneficiary filed a claim within six months of its occurrence; the correction of any such error for which the participant or beneficiary filed a claim after that time is in the sound discretion of the Board or TSP record keeper.

(2) For any other type of error of which a participant or beneficiary has knowledge, he or she may file a claim for correction thereof with the Board or TSP record keeper no later than 30 days after receipt of the earlier of a TSP participant statement or transaction confirmation reflecting the error. The Board or TSP record keeper must promptly correct such errors.

(3) If a participant or beneficiary fails to file a claim for correction of an error described in paragraph (c)(2) of this section in a timely manner, the Board or TSP record keeper may nevertheless, in its sound discretion, correct any such error that is brought to its attention; provided, however, that no contribution allocation error which occurred before October 1, 2000, may be corrected if it is not the subject of a timely claim.

(d) *Processing claims.* (1) If the initial claim is submitted to the TSP record keeper, the TSP record keeper may either respond directly to the claimant, or may forward the claim to the Board for response. If the TSP record keeper responds to a claim, and all or any part of the claim is denied, the claimant may request review by the Board within 90 days of the date of the record keeper's response.

(2) If the Board denies all or any part of a claim (whether upon review of a TSP record keeper denial or upon an initial review by the Board), the

claimant will be deemed to have exhausted his or her administrative remedy and may file suit under 5 U.S.C. 8477. If the claimant does not submit a request to the Board for review of a claim denial by the TSP record keeper within the 90 days permitted under paragraph (d)(1) of this section, the claimant shall be deemed to have accepted the TSP record keeper's decision.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[IL190-1b; FRL-6574-2]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Approval of a Site-Specific Sulfur Dioxide Plan; Revision for CILCO Edwards Station

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve a May 21, 1999, site-specific sulfur dioxide (SO₂) SIP revision request for the Central Illinois Light Company's Edwards Generating Station in Peoria County, Illinois. Illinois' requested SIP revision provides for a temporary relaxation in the fuel quality limit for one of the facility's three boilers, but adds an overall daily sulfur dioxide emission cap for the three boilers. The SIP revision request included dispersion modeling results which indicated that the revision will not cause violations of the SO₂ standards. In the final rules section of this **Federal Register**, the EPA is approving the State's request as a direct final rule without prior proposal because EPA views this action as noncontroversial and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for approving the State's request is set forth in the direct final rule. The direct final rule will become effective without further notice unless the Agency receives relevant adverse written comment on this action. Should the Agency receive such comment, it will publish a final rule informing the public that the direct final rule will not take effect and such public comment received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. If no adverse written comments are received, the direct final rule will take effect on the date stated in that document and no further activity

will be taken on this proposed rule. EPA does not plan to 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 on or before May 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be addressed to: J. Elmer Bortzer, Chief, Regulation Development Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604.

Copies of the State submittal and other relevant documents used in support of this action are available at the following address for inspection during normal business hours: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, Air Programs Branch, Air and Radiation Division, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Portanova, EPA Region 5, Air and Radiation Division (AR-18J), 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL 60604, (312) 353-5954.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For further information see the direct final rule published in the final rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: March 28, 2000.

Francis X. Lyons,

Regional Administrator, Region 5.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[FL-83-200009; FRL-6578-4]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Florida: Approval of Revisions to the Florida State Implementation Plan; Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of the comment period.

SUMMARY: EPA is extending the comment period for a proposed rule published March 17, 2000 (65 FR 14506). On March 17, 2000, EPA proposed an approval of revisions to the Florida State Implementation Plan concerning revisions to the ozone air quality maintenance plans for the Jacksonville (Duval County) and Southeast Florida (Broward, Dade, and Palm Beach Counties) areas to remove the emission reduction credits

attributable to the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program from the future year emission projections contained in those plans. In response to requests from the American Lung Association of Florida, Inc., Environmental Defense, and David B. Rivkin, Jr. as counsel for Environmental Systems Products, Inc., EPA is extending the comment period for 30 days.

DATES: The comment period is extended until May 17, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be submitted to: Joey Levasseur at the EPA, Region 4 Air Planning Branch, 61 Forsyth Street, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joey Levasseur at 404/562-9035 (E-mail: levasseur.joey@epa.gov).

Dated: April 7, 2000.

A. Stanley Meiburg,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

48 CFR Part 204

[DFARS Case 2000-D002]

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Closeout of Foreign Military Sales Contract Line Items

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Proposed rule with request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Acting Director of Defense Procurement is proposing to amend Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) policy pertaining to closeout of contract files. The amendments would expedite the closeout of Foreign Military Sales (FMS) contract line items, under contracts that contain both FMS and non-FMS items, by permitting closeout of the FMS line items as soon as the closeout requirements for those line items are satisfied.

DATES: Comments on the proposed rule should be submitted in writing to the address specified below on or before June 12, 2000, to be considered in the formation of the final rule.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should submit written comments on the proposed rule to: Defense Acquisition Regulation Council, Attn: Ms. Melissa Rider, PDUSD (AT&L) DP (DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062. Telefax (703) 602-0350.

E-mail comments submitted via the Internet should be addressed to: dfars@acq.osd.mil.

Please cite DFARS Case 2000-D002 in all correspondence related to this proposed rule. E-mail correspondence should cite DFARS Case 2000-D002 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Melissa Rider, (703) 602-4245.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

This proposed rule amends the contract closeout policy at DFARS 204.804 to specify that, if a contract includes FMS contract line items and non-FMS contract line items, the FMS line items should be closeout as soon as the closeout requirements for those line items are satisfied. This change is proposed as part of a DoD initiative to improve the FMS process.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The proposed rule is not expected to have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because the rule only affects the timing of the administrative matter of closing out contract line items. Therefore, an initial regulatory flexibility analysis has not been performed. Comments are invited from small businesses and other interested parties. Comments from small entities concerning the affected DFARS subpart also will be considered in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 610. Such comments should be submitted separately and should cite DFARS Case 2000-D002.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 204

Government procurement.

Michele P. Peterson,

Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.

Therefore, 48 CFR part 204 is proposed to be amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR part 204 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.