

Approved: July 9, 2001.

**Anthony J. Principi,**

*Secretary of Veterans Affairs.*

For the reasons set out in the preamble, 38 CFR Part 20 is amended as set forth below:

## **PART 20—BOARD OF VETERANS' APPEALS: RULES OF PRACTICE**

1. The authority citation for part 20 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 38 U.S.C. 501(a) and as noted in specific sections.

2. In subpart O, § 20.1405(a) is revised to read as follows:

### **§ 20.1405 Rule 1405. Disposition.**

(a) *Docketing and assignment; notification of representative—(1) General.* Motions under this subpart will be docketed in the order received and will be assigned in accordance with § 19.3 of this title (relating to assignment of proceedings). Where an appeal is pending on the same underlying issue at the time the motion is received, the motion and the appeal may be consolidated under the same docket number and disposed of as part of the same proceeding. A motion may not be assigned to any Member who participated in the decision that is the subject of the motion. If a motion is assigned to a panel, the decision will be by a majority vote of the panel Members.

(2) *Notification of representative.* When the Board receives a motion under this subpart from an individual whose claims file indicates that he or she is represented, the Board shall provide a copy of the motion to the representative before assigning the motion to a Member or panel. Within 30 days after the date on which the Board provides a copy of the motion to the representative, the representative may file a relevant response, including a request to review the claims file prior to filing a further response. Upon request made within the time allowed under this paragraph (a)(2), the Board shall arrange for the representative to have the opportunity to review the claims file, and shall permit the representative a reasonable time after making the file available to file a further response.

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## **POSTAL SERVICE**

### **39 CFR Part 111**

#### **Postage Meters and Meter Stamps**

**AGENCY:** Postal Service.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Postal Service is changing the Domestic Mail Manual P030 to extend the use of postage meters to include postage-evidencing systems that print information-based indicia.

**DATES:** This rule is effective on July 17, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James Luff, 703-292-3693.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Postal Service published a proposed rule on May 1, 2001 to amend DMM P030.1.4 to allow mailers to use information-based indicia (IBI) to show evidence of postage, as they would letterpress and digital meter stamps. Comments on the proposed rule were due on or before May 31, 2001. We did not receive any comments. Therefore, the rule is adopted as final without any changes.

#### **List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 111**

Administrative practice and procedure, Postal Service.

For the reasons stated in the preamble, the Postal Service amends 39 CFR part 111 as follows:

#### **PART 111—[AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for 39 CFR part 111 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 39 U.S.C. 101, 401, 403, 404, 3001-3011, 3201-3219, 3403-3406, 3621, 3626, 5001.

2. Revise section P030.1.4 of the Domestic Mail Manual as follows:

#### **P Postage and Payment Methods**

##### *P000 Basic Information*

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##### *P030 Postage Meters and Meter Stamps*

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#### **1.0 BASIC INFORMATION**

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##### *1.4 Classes of Mail*

Postage may be paid by printing postage meter stamps (including letterpress, digital meter stamps, and information-based indicia) on any class of mail except Periodicals. Information-based indicia (IBI) include human-readable information and a USPS-approved two-dimensional barcode with a digital signature and other required data fields. Metered mail (including

mail bearing IBI) is entitled to all privileges and subject to all conditions applying to the various classes of mail.

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

### **40 CFR Part 52**

**[CA032-0241a; FRL-7001-2]**

#### **Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Kern County Air Pollution Control District, Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution District, Modoc County Air Pollution Control District**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Direct final rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is taking direct final action to approve revisions to the Kern County Air Pollution Control District (KCAPCD), Modoc County Air Pollution Control District (MCAPCD), and Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution District (MBUAPCD) portions of the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). These revisions concern visible emissions (VE) from many different sources of air pollution. We are approving local rules that regulate these emission sources under the Clean Air Act as amended in 1990 (CAA or the Act).

**DATES:** This rule is effective on September 17, 2001 without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse comments by August 16, 2001. If we receive such comment, we will publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register** to notify the public that this rule will not take effect.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail comments to Andy Steckel, Rulemaking Office Chief (AIR-4), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901.

You can inspect copies of the submitted SIP revisions and EPA's technical support documents (TSDs) at our Region IX office during normal business hours. You may also see copies of the submitted SIP revisions at the following locations:

Environmental Protection Agency, Air Docket (6102), Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington D.C. 20460;  
California Air Resources Board, Stationary Source Division, Rule