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

### Procedural Background

This rule is limited to the changes contained in Amendment 2 to Certificate of Compliance Number (CoC No.) 1015 and does not include other aspects of the NAC-UMS cask system design. The NRC is using the "direct final rule procedure" to issue this amendment because it represents a limited and routine change to an existing CoC that is expected to be noncontroversial. Adequate protection of public health and safety continues to be ensured.

Because NRC considers this action noncontroversial and routine, the proposed rule is being published concurrently as a direct final rule. The direct final rule will become effective on December 31, 2001. However, if the NRC receives significant adverse comments on the direct final rule by November 15, 2001, then the NRC will publish a document to withdraw the direct final rule. A significant adverse comment is a comment where the commenter explains why the rule would be inappropriate, including challenges to the rule's underlying premise or

approach, or would be ineffective or unacceptable without a change. A comment is adverse and significant if:

(1) The comment opposes the rule and provides a reason sufficient to require a substantive response in a notice-and-comment process. For example, in a substantive response:

(a) The comment causes the NRC staff to reevaluate (or reconsider) its position or conduct additional analysis;

(b) The comment raises an issue serious enough to warrant a substantive response to clarify or complete the record; or

(c) The comment raises a relevant issue that was not previously addressed or considered by the NRC staff.

(2) The comment proposes a change or an addition to the rule, and it is apparent that the rule would be ineffective or unacceptable without incorporation of the change or addition.

(3) The comment causes the NRC staff to make a change to the CoC or TS.

If the direct final rule is withdrawn, the NRC will address the comments received in response to the proposed revisions in a subsequent final rule. Absent significant modifications to the proposed revisions requiring republication, the NRC will not initiate a second comment period for this action if the direct final rule is withdrawn.

### List of Subjects in 10 CFR Part 72

Administrative practice and procedure, Criminal penalties, Manpower training programs, Nuclear materials, Occupational safety and health, Penalties, Radiation protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Security measures, Spent fuel, Whistleblowing.

For the reasons set out in the preamble and under the authority of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended; the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended; and 5 U.S.C. 553, the NRC is proposing to adopt the following amendments to 10 CFR part 72.

### PART 72—LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INDEPENDENT STORAGE OF SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL AND HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE

1. The authority citation for Part 72 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** Secs. 51, 53, 57, 62, 63, 65, 69, 81, 161, 182, 183, 184, 186, 187, 189, 68 Stat. 929, 930, 932, 933, 934, 935, 948, 953, 954, 955, as amended, sec. 234, 83 Stat. 444, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2071, 2073, 2077, 2092, 2093, 2095, 2099, 2111, 2201, 2232, 2233, 2234, 2236, 2237, 2238, 2282); sec. 274, Pub. L. 86-373, 73 Stat. 688, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2021); sec. 201, as amended, 202, 206, 88 Stat. 1242, as amended, 1244, 1246 (42

U.S.C. 5841, 5842, 5846); Pub. L. 95-601, sec. 10, 92 Stat. 2951 as amended by Pub. L. 102-486, sec. 7902, 106 Stat. 3123 (42 U.S.C. 5851); sec. 102, Pub. L. 91-190, 83 Stat. 853 (42 U.S.C. 4332); secs. 131, 132, 133, 135, 137, 141, Pub. L. 97-425, 96 Stat. 2229, 2230, 2232, 2241, sec. 148, Pub. L. 100-203, 101 Stat. 1330-235 (42 U.S.C. 10151, 10152, 10153, 10155, 10157, 10161, 10168).

Section 72.44(g) also issued under secs. 142(b) and 148(c), (d), Pub. L. 100-203, 101 Stat. 1330-232, 1330-236 (42 U.S.C. 10162(b), 10168(c),(d)). Section 72.46 also issued under sec. 189, 68 Stat. 955 (42 U.S.C. 2239); sec. 134, Pub. L. 97-425, 96 Stat. 2230 (42 U.S.C. 10154). Section 72.96(d) also issued under sec. 145(g), Pub. L. 100-203, 101 Stat. 1330-235 (42 U.S.C. 10165(g)). Subpart J also issued under secs. 2(2), 2(15), 2(19), 117(a), 141(h), Pub. L. 97-425, 96 Stat. 2202, 2203, 2204, 2222, 2244, (42 U.S.C. 10101, 10137(a), 10161(h)). Subparts K and L are also issued under sec. 133, 98 Stat. 2230 (42 U.S.C. 10153) and sec. 218(a), 96 Stat. 2252 (42 U.S.C. 10198).

2. In § 72.214, Certificate of Compliance 1015 is revised to read as follows:

#### § 72.214 List of approved spent fuel storage casks.

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*Certificate Number:* 1015.

*Initial Certificate Effective Date:* November 20, 2000.

*Amendment Number 1 Effective Date:* February 20, 2001.

*Amendment Number 2 Effective Date:* December 31, 2001.

*SAR Submitted by:* NAC International, Inc.

*SAR Title:* Final Safety Analysis Report for the NAC-UMS Universal Storage System.

*Docket Number:* 72-1015.

*Certificate Expiration Date:* November 20, 2020.

*Model Number:* NAC-UMS.

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 1st day of October, 2001.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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### POSTAL SERVICE

#### 39 CFR Part 20

#### International Mail Postal Rates; Proposed Changes

**AGENCY:** Postal Service.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to its authority under 39 U.S.C. 407, the Postal Service

is proposing changes in international postal rates for International Priority Airmail, International Surface Air Lift, and publishers' periodical mail. As required under the Postal Reorganization Act, the proposed changes will result in international postal rates that do not apportion the costs of the service so as to impair the overall value of the service to the users, are fair and reasonable, and are not unduly or unreasonably discriminatory or preferential.

**DATES:** Comments on the proposed changes must be received on or before November 15, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to the Manager, International Pricing, International Business, U.S. Postal Services, 1735 N. Lynn Street, Arlington, VA 22209-6020. Copies of all written comments will be available for public inspection between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, in International Business, 2nd Floor, 1735 N. Lynn Street, Arlington, VA 22209-6020.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Walter J. Grandjean, (703) 292-3579.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The proposed rates for International Priority Airmail (IPA), International Surface Air Lift (ISAL), and publishers' periodicals, shown in the tables herein, are needed by the Postal Service to cover increases in the cost of providing international mail service, including transportation and delivery charges in the destination country. These services are bulk commercial services that are sensitive to changes in cost.

The rates for publishers' periodicals are currently divided into three rate groups: Canada, Mexico, and all other countries. The Postal Service adopted five rate groups for other letter-post mail on January 7, 2001. The Postal Service is proposing to base publishers' periodical rates on these same five rate groups. This enables the Postal Service to establish rates that more closely align with the cost of providing service to particular country groups having similar costs.

The Postal Service is proposing to change only the rates contained herein. No other rates are changed.

Although the Postal Service is exempted by 39 U.S.C. 410(a) from the advance notice requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act regarding proposed rulemaking (5 U.S.C. 553), the Postal Service invites public comment.

The Postal Service proposes to adopt the following rates and to amend the *International Mail Manual* (IMM), which is incorporated by reference in the Code of Federal Regulations. See 39 CFR 20.1.

**List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 20**

Foreign relations, International postal services.

**PART 20—[AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for 39 CFR part 20 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 39 U.S.C. 401, 404, 407, 408.

2. The *International Mail Manual* (IMM) will be amended to incorporate the following postage rates:

**INTERNATIONAL PRIORITY AIRMAIL RATES**

Rate group	Per piece rate	Drop shipment per pound	Full service per pound
1 (Canada) .....	\$0.28	\$2.60	\$3.60
2 (Mexico) .....	0.12	4.60	5.60
3 .....	0.25	4.00	5.00
4 .....	0.25	5.50	6.50
5 .....	0.12	4.85	5.85
6 .....	0.12	4.75	5.75
7 .....	0.12	6.25	7.25
8 .....	0.12	7.25	8.25
Worldwide .....	0.20	7.00	8.00

**INTERNATIONAL SURFACE AIR LIFT RATES**

Rate group	Per piece rate	Full service per pound		Direct shipment per pound		ISC drop shipment per pound	
		Regular	M-bag	Regular	M-bag	Regular	M-bag
1 (Canada) .....	\$0.28	\$3.05	\$1.50	\$2.55	\$1.50	\$2.05	\$1.40
2 (Mexico) .....	0.12	4.35	1.60	3.85	1.60	3.35	1.50
3 .....	0.25	3.40	1.75	2.90	1.75	2.40	1.50
4 .....	0.25	3.75	2.50	3.25	2.50	2.75	2.50
5 .....	0.12	4.65	2.25	4.15	2.25	3.65	2.00
6 .....	0.12	4.55	2.25	4.05	2.25	3.55	2.00
7 .....	0.12	4.65	2.50	4.15	2.50	3.65	2.25
8 .....	0.12	6.50	3.25	6.00	3.25	5.50	3.00

Note: M-bags are subject to the minimum rate for 11 pounds.

**PUBLISHERS' PERIODICAL RATES**

Weight not over (oz.),	Rate group 1 (Canada)	Rate group 2 (Mexico)	Rate group 3	Rate group 4 (Australia, Japan, New Zealand)	Rate group 5
1 .....	\$0.45	\$0.60	\$0.60	\$0.60	\$0.60
2 .....	0.51	0.75	0.71	0.71	0.74
3 .....	0.57	0.90	0.82	0.82	0.88

PUBLISHERS' PERIODICAL RATES—Continued

Weight not over (oz.),	Rate group 1 (Canada)	Rate group 2 (Mexico)	Rate group 3	Rate group 4 (Australia, Japan, New Zealand)	Rate group 5
4	0.63	1.05	0.93	0.93	1.02
5	0.69	1.20	1.04	1.04	1.16
6	0.75	1.35	1.15	1.15	1.30
7	0.81	1.50	1.26	1.26	1.44
8	0.87	1.65	1.37	1.37	1.58
12	1.15	2.13	1.81	1.81	2.02
16	1.43	2.61	2.25	2.25	2.46
20	1.59	3.09	2.69	2.69	2.90
24	1.75	3.57	3.13	3.13	3.34
28	1.91	4.05	3.57	3.57	3.78
32	2.07	4.53	4.01	4.01	4.22
36	3.87	5.01	4.45	4.45	4.66
40	3.99	5.49	4.89	4.89	5.10
44	4.11	5.97	5.33	5.33	5.54
48	4.23	6.45	5.77	5.77	5.98
52	4.39	6.93	6.21	6.21	6.42
56	4.55	7.41	6.65	6.65	6.86
60	4.71	7.89	7.09	7.09	7.30
64	4.87	8.37	7.53	7.53	7.74

\$0.25 per pound discount for drop shipments tendered at the New Jersey International and Bulk Mail Center.

COUNTRY RATE GROUPS

Country	Rate groups		
	IPA	ISAL	Pub-lishers' periodicals
Afghanistan	8		5
Albania	5	5	5
Algeria	8	8	5
Andorra	3		3
Angola	8	8	5
Anguilla	6		5
Antigua and Barbuda	6		5
Argentina	6	6	5
Armenia	8		5
Aruba	6	6	5
Ascension	5		5
Australia	4	4	4
Austria	3	3	5
Azerbaijan	8		5
Bahamas	6		5
Bahrain	8	8	5
Bangladesh	8	8	5
Barbados	6		5
Belarus	5		5
Belgium	3	3	3
Belize	6	6	5
Benin	8	8	5
Bermuda	6		5
Bhutan	8		5
Bolivia	6	6	5
Bosnia-Herzegovina	5		5
Botswana	8		5
Brazil	6	6	5
British Virgin Islands	6		5
Brunei Darussalam	7		5
Bulgaria	5	5	5
Burkina Faso	8	8	5
Burma (Myanmar)	8		5
Burundi	8		5
Cambodia	7		5
Cameroon	8	8	5
Canada	1	1	1
Cape Verde	8		5
Cayman	6		5

## COUNTRY RATE GROUPS—Continued

Country	Rate groups		
	IPA	ISAL	Pub-lishers' periodicals
Central African Republic .....	8	8	5
Chad .....	8	.....	5
Chile .....	6	6	5
China .....	7	7	5
Colombia .....	6	6	5
Comoros Islands .....	8	.....	5
Congo (Brazzaville), Republic of the .....	8	.....	5
Congo (Kinshasa), Democratic Republic of the .....	8	8	5
Costa Rica .....	6	6	5
Côte d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast) .....	8	8	5
Croatia .....	5	.....	5
Cuba .....	6	6	5
Cyprus .....	8	.....	5
Czech Republic .....	5	5	5
Denmark .....	3	3	3
Djibouti .....	8	.....	5
Dominica .....	6	.....	5
Dominican Republic .....	6	6	5
Ecuador .....	6	6	5
Egypt .....	8	8	5
El Salvador .....	6	6	5
Equatorial Guinea .....	8	.....	5
Eritrea .....	8	.....	5
Estonia .....	5	.....	5
Ethiopia .....	8	8	5
Falkland Islands .....	6	.....	5
Faroe Islands .....	5	.....	3
Fiji .....	7	7	5
Finland .....	3	3	3
France (Includes Corsica & Monaco) .....	3	3	3
French Guiana .....	6	6	5
French Polynesia (Includes Tahiti) .....	7	.....	5
Gabon .....	8	8	5
Gambia .....	8	.....	5
Georgia, Republic of .....	8	.....	5
Germany .....	3	3	3
Ghana .....	8	8	5
Gibraltar .....	3	.....	3
Great Britain and Northern Ireland .....	3	3	3
Greece .....	3	3	3
Greenland .....	3	.....	3
Grenada .....	6	.....	5
Guadeloupe .....	6	.....	5
Guatemala .....	6	6	5
Guinea .....	8	.....	5
Guinea-Bissau .....	8	.....	5
Guyana .....	6	6	5
Haiti .....	6	6	5
Honduras .....	6	6	5
Hong Kong .....	7	7	5
Hungary .....	5	5	5
Iceland .....	3	3	3
India .....	8	8	5
Indonesia (Includes East Timor) .....	7	7	5
Iran .....	8	8	5
Iraq .....	8	.....	5
Ireland .....	3	3	3
Israel .....	3	3	3
Italy .....	3	3	3
Jamaica .....	6	6	5
Japan .....	4	4	4
Jordan .....	8	8	5
Kazakhstan .....	8	.....	5
Kenya .....	8	8	5
Kiribati .....	7	.....	5
Korea, Dem. People's Rep. of (North) .....	7	.....	5
Korea, Republic of (South) .....	7	7	5
Kuwait .....	8	8	5

## COUNTRY RATE GROUPS—Continued

Country	Rate groups		
	IPA	ISAL	Publishers' periodicals
Kyrgyzstan	5		5
Laos	7		5
Latvia	5		5
Lebanon	8	8	5
Lesotho	8		5
Liberia	8		5
Libya	8		5
Liechtenstein	3	3	3
Lithuania	5		5
Luxembourg	3	3	3
Macao	5		5
Macedonia, Republic of	5		5
Madagascar	8	8	5
Malawi	8		5
Malaysia	7	7	5
Maldives	8		5
Mali	8	8	5
Malta	8		5
Martinique	6		5
Mauritania	8	8	5
Mauritius	8	8	5
Mexico	2	2	2
Moldova	8		5
Mongolia	7		5
Montserrat	6		5
Morocco	8	8	5
Mozambique	8	8	5
Namibia	8		5
Nauru	7		5
Nepal	7		5
Netherlands	3	3	3
Netherlands Antilles	6	6	5
New Caledonia	7		5
New Zealand	4	4	4
Nicaragua	6	6	5
Niger	8	8	5
Nigeria	8	8	5
Norway	3	3	3
Oman	8	8	5
Pakistan	8	8	5
Panama	6	6	5
Papua New Guinea	7	7	5
Paraguay	6	6	5
Peru	6	6	5
Philippines	7	7	5
Pitcairn Island	7		5
Poland	5	5	5
Portugal (Includes Azores & Madeira Islands)	3	3	3
Qatar	8	8	5
Reunion	8	8	5
Romania	5	5	5
Russia	5	5	5
Rwanda	8		5
Saint Christopher (St. Kitts) and Nevis	6		5
Saint Helena	8		5
Saint Lucia	6		5
Saint Pierre & Miquelon	6		5
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	6		5
San Marino	3		3
Sao Tome and Principe	5		5
Saudi Arabia	8	8	5
Senegal	8	8	5
Serbia-Montenegro (Yugoslavia)	5		5
Seychelles	8		5
Sierra Leone	8		5
Singapore	7	7	5
Slovak Republic (Slovakia)	5		5
Slovenia	5		5

COUNTRY RATE GROUPS—Continued

Country	Rate groups		
	IPA	ISAL	Publishers' periodicals
Solomon Islands	7		5
Somalia	8		5
South Africa	8	8	5
Spain (Includes Canary Islands)	3	3	3
Sri Lanka	8	8	5
Sudan	8	8	5
Suriname	6	6	5
Swaziland	8		5
Sweden	3	3	3
Switzerland	3	3	3
Syria	8	8	5
Taiwan	7	7	5
Tajikistan	8		5
Tanzania	8	8	5
Thailand	7	7	5
Togo	8	8	5
Tonga	7		5
Trinidad and Tobago	6	6	5
Tristan da Cunha	8		5
Tunisia	8	8	5
Turkey	5	5	5
Turkmenistan	5		5
Turks and Caicos Islands	6		5
Tuvalu	7		5
Uganda	8	8	5
Ukraine	8		5
United Arab Emirates	8	8	5
Uruguay	6	6	5
Uzbekistan	8		5
Vanuatu	7		5
Vatican City	3		3
Venezuela	6	6	5
Vietnam	7		5
Wallis and Futuna Islands	7		5
Western Samoa	7		5
Yemen	8	8	5
Zambia	8	8	5
Zimbabwe	8	8	5

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**40 CFR Part 52**

[Region 2 Docket No. 232, FRL-7084-2]

**Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New York and New Jersey Ozone State Implementation Plans; New York Carbon Monoxide Attainment Demonstration and Designation for Air Quality Planning; Extension and reopening of Comment Periods**

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rules; extension and reopening of comment periods.

**SUMMARY:** Due to the tragic events of September 11, 2001 and the resulting temporary closure of the Region 2 office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in New York City and the disruption of mail delivery and telephone service, the EPA is extending and reopening the comment period for a number of proposed rules and requesting those who previously commented to resubmit them in the event they were lost in the mail.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before November 15, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments should be addressed to: Raymond Werner, Chief, Air Programs Branch, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2 Office, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007-1866.

Copies of the state submittals are available for inspection at the Region 2 office in New York City. Those interested in inspecting these submittals must arrange an appointment in advance by calling (212) 637-4249. Alternatively, appointments may be arranged via e-mail by sending a message to Paul Truchan at [truchan.paul@epa.gov](mailto:truchan.paul@epa.gov) or Kirk Wieber at [wieber.kirk@epa.gov](mailto:wieber.kirk@epa.gov). The office address is 290 Broadway, Air Programs Branch, 25th Floor, New York, New York 10007-1866.

Copies of the state submittals are also available for inspection at the respective state offices: New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Air Resources, 625 Broadway, 2nd floor, Albany, New York 12233.

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Air Quality Management, Bureau of Air