significantly or uniquely affect their communities.''

This proposed rule would not significantly or uniquely affect the communities of Indian tribal governments. As noted above, this proposed rule would make minor technical changes to federal regulations that would be implemented at the federal level and affects only obligations on private industry. Accordingly, the requirements of Executive Order 13084 do not apply to this rule.

H. National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act

Section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (''NTTAA''), Public Law 104–113, Section 12(d) (15 U.S.C. 272 note) directs EPA to use voluntary consensus standards in its regulatory activities unless doing so would be inconsistent with applicable law or would be otherwise impractical. Voluntary consensus standards are technical standards (e.g., materials specifications, test methods, sampling procedures, and business practices) that are developed or adopted by voluntary consensus standards bodies. NTTAA directs EPA to provide Congress, through OMB, explanations when the Agency decides not to use available and applicable voluntary consensus standards. This proposed rule does not involve technical standards. Therefore, EPA did not consider the use of any voluntary consensus standards.

I. Executive Order 13132 (Federalism)

Executive Order 13132, entitled ''Federalism'' (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999), requires EPA to develop an accountable process to ensure ''meaningful and timely input by State and local officials in the development of regulatory policies that have federalism implications.'' ''Policies that have federalism implications'' is defined in the Executive Order to include regulations that have ''substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.''

This proposed rule does not have federalism implications. It will not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government, as specified in Executive Order 13132. Section 211(d)(4)(A) of the CAA prohibits States from prescribing or attempting to enforce controls or prohibitions respecting any fuel characteristic or component if EPA has prescribed a control or prohibition applicable to such fuel characteristic or component under Section 211(c)(1) of the Act. This rule merely modifies existing EPA detergent additive standards and therefore will merely continue an existing preemption of State and local law. Thus, Executive Order 13132 does not apply to this rule.

In the spirit of Executive Order 13132, and consistent with EPA policy to promote communications between EPA and State and local governments, EPA specifically solicits comment on this proposed rule from State and local officials.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 80

Environmental protection, Fuel additives, Gasoline deposit control (detergent) additives, Gasoline, Motor vehicle pollution, Penalties, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: October 24, 2001.

Christine Todd Whitman,

Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 300

[FRL–7097–2]

National Oil and Hazardous Substances Contingency Plan; National Priorities List

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of intent to delete a portion of the Sangamo Weston/Twelve Mile Creek/Lake Hartwell (Sangamo) Superfund Site from the National Priorities List (NPL).

SUMMARY: The United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), Region 4, announces its intent to partially delete a portion of the Sangamo Superfund Site, located in Pickens, South Carolina, from the National Priorities List (NPL) and is only requesting adverse public comment(s) on this notice. The proposed partial deletion is for the Dodgens remote property which is located within a few miles of the main plant property. The NPL, promulgated pursuant to section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), as amended, is appendix B of 40 CFR part 300, which is the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan. The EPA and the State of South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control have determined that all appropriate response actions under CERCLA have been completed for the Dodgens remote property. However, this deletion does not preclude future actions under CERCLA. In the ''Rules and Regulations'' section of today's **Federal Register**, we are publishing a direct final notice of deletion of the Dodgens portion of the Sangamo Superfund Site without prior notice of intent to delete because we view this as a noncontroversial revision and anticipate no adverse comments. We have explained our reasons for this deletion in the preamble to the direct final notice of deletion. If we receive no adverse comment(s), we will not take further action on this notice of intent to delete. If we receive adverse comment(s), we will withdraw the direct final notice of deletion and it will not take effect. We will, as appropriate, address all public comments in a subsequent final deletion notice based on this notice of intent to delete. We will not institute a second comment period on this notice of intent to delete. Any parties interested in commenting must do so at this time. For additional information, see the direct final notice of deletion which is located in the ''Rules and Regulations'' section of this **Federal Register**.

DATES: Comments concerning this notice of intent to partially delete a portion of the Sangamo Site must be received by January 4, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be mailed to: Sheri Cresswell, US EPA, Region 4, 61 Forsyth St., WD–NSMB, SW, Atlanta, GA, 30303.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Please contact either Sheri Cresswell (Remedial Project Manager) at 803–896–4171 or Tiki Whitfield (Community Relations Coordinator) at 1–800–435–9233 or 404–562–8530.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information, see the Direct Final Notice of Deletion which is located in the Rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Information Repositories

Repositories have been established to provide detailed information concerning this decision at the following addresses: U.S. EPA, Region 4 Superfund Records Center, 61 Forsyth St., SW., Atlanta, GA, 30303, attn: Ms. Debbie Jourdan, (404) 562–8862; R.M. Cooper Library, Clemson University, South Palmetto Boulevard., Clemson, SC, (864) 656–5174; Pickens County Public Library, Easley Branch, 110 West First Avenue,

Easley, SC (864) 850–7077; and Hart County Library, 150 Benson Street, Hartwell, GA (706) 376–4655.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 300

Environmental protection, Hazardous waste.

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1321(c)(2); 42 U.S.C. 9601–9657; E.O. 12777, 56 FR 54757, 3 CFR, 1991 Comp., p. 351; E.O. 12580; 52 FR 2923, 3 CFR, 1987 Comp., p. 193.

Dated: September 28, 2001.

A. Stanley Meiburg,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

42 CFR Part 100

RIN 0906–AA55

National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program: Revisions and Additions to the Vaccine Injury Table

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Proposed rule; notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: This document announces a public hearing to receive information and views on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) entitled ''National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program: Revisions and Additions to the Vaccine Injury Table.''

DATES: The public hearing will be held on December 6, 2001, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The public hearing will be held in Conference Room C in the Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Thomas E. Balbier, Jr., Director, Division of Vaccine Injury Compensation, at (301) 443–6593.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary has made findings as to a condition that can reasonably be determined in some circumstances to be caused by vaccines containing live, oral, rhesus-based rotavirus. Based on these findings, the Secretary proposes to amend the Vaccine Injury Table (Table) by adding to the Table vaccines containing live, oral, rhesus-based rotavirus as a distinct category, with intussusception listed as a covered Table injury. This proposal is based upon the recommendation by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) that Rotashield, the only U.S.-licensed rotavirus vaccine, no longer be administered to infants in the United States based on review of data indicating a strong association between Rotashield and intussusception in the 1 to 2 weeks following vaccination.

The Secretary further proposes the following amendments: (1) Removing residual seizure disorder from the Table's Qualifications and Aids to Interpretation; (2) removing hemophilus influenzae type b polysaccharide (unconjugated) vaccines from the Table; (3) removing early onset Hib disease from the Table's Qualifications and Aids to Interpretation; and (4) adding pneumococcal conjugate vaccines to the Table with no condition specified. This latter item is based upon the CDC's recent recommendation of this vaccine for routine administration to children, as well as the enactment of the excise tax for this category of vaccines.

These proposed changes would have effect only for petitions for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP) filed after the amendments to the existing regulations become effective.

The NPRM was published in the **Federal Register**, July 13, 2001: Vol. 66, No. 135, Pages 36735–36739. The public comment period closes January 9, 2002.

A public hearing will be held during the 180-day public comment period. This hearing is to provide an open forum for the presentation of information and views concerning all aspects of the NPRM by interested persons.

In preparing a final regulation, the Secretary will consider the administrative record of this hearing along with all other written comments received during the comment period specified in the NPRM. Individuals or representatives of interested organizations are invited to participate in the public hearing in accord with the schedule and procedures set forth below.

The hearing will be held on December 6, 2001, beginning at 10 a.m., in Conference Room C in the Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland, 20857. Upon entering the Parklawn Building, persons who wish to attend the hearing will be required to call Ms. Emma Boyd at (301) 443–6593 to be escorted to Conference Room C.

The presiding officer representing the Secretary, HHS will be Mr. Thomas E. Balbier, Jr., Director, Division of Vaccine Injury Compensation, Office of Special Programs (OSP), Health Resources and Services Administration.

Persons who wish to participate are requested to file a notice of participation with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) on or before November 16, 2001. The notice should be mailed to Division of Vaccine Injury, OPS, Rm 8A–46, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland, 20857. To ensure timely handling any outer envelope should be clearly marked ''NPRM Hearing.'' The notice of participation should contain the interested person's name, address, telephone number, any business or organizational affiliation of the person desiring to make a presentation, a brief summary of the presentation, and the approximate time requested for the presentation. Groups that have similar interests should consolidate their comments as part of one presentation. Time available for the hearing will be allocated among the persons who properly file notices of participation. If time permits, interested parties attending the hearing who did not submit a notice participation in advance will be allowed to make an oral presentation at the conclusion of the hearing.

Persons who find that there is insufficient time to submit the required information in writing may give oral notice of participation by calling Mr. Thomas E. Balbier, Jr., Director, Division of Vaccine Injury Compensation, at (301) 443–6593 no later than November 16, 2001. Those persons who give oral notice of participation should also submit written notice containing the information described above to HHS by the close of business November 19, 2001.

After reviewing the notices of participation and accompanying information, HHS will schedule each appearance and notify each participant by mail or telephone of the time allotted to the person(s) and the approximate time the person's oral presentation is scheduled to begin.

Written comments and transcript of the hearing will be made available for public inspection as soon as they have been prepared, on weekdays (Federal holidays excepted) between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the Division of Vaccine Injury Compensation, Room 8A–46, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857.

Dated: October 29, 2001.

Elizabeth M. Duke,

Acting Administrator.

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