

are not controversial. If we receive adverse comments, however, we will publish a timely withdrawal of the direct final rule and address the comments in subsequent action based on this proposed rule. Please note that if we receive adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, we may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

We do not plan to open a second comment period, so anyone interested in commenting should do so at this time. If we do receive adverse comments, no further activity is planned. For further information, please see the direct final action.

Dated: May 9, 2002.

**Alexis Strauss,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region IX.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 141

[FRL-7247-6]

RIN 2040-AD61

#### Announcement of Preliminary Regulatory Determinations for Priority Contaminants on the Drinking Water Contaminant Candidate List

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; correction.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published a document in the *Federal Register* of June 3, 2002, announcing the preliminary regulatory determinations for priority contaminants on the Drinking Water Contaminant Candidate List. EPA inadvertently included the incorrect docket number in the **ADDRESSES** section. The correct docket number is W-01-03.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Harriet T. Corbett-Colbert, 202-564-4698.

#### Correction

The **ADDRESSES** caption in the *Federal Register* document of June 3, 2002, Vol. 67, No. 106, page 38223, first column, should have read:

**ADDRESSES:** Please send your comments to the W-01-03 Comments Clerk. Submit electronic comments to: *ow-docket@epa.gov*. Written comments should be mailed to: Water Docket (MC-

4101), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. Hand deliveries should be delivered to EPA's Water Docket at East Tower Basement (EB Room 57), Waterside Mall, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460. You may contact the docket at (202) 260-3027 between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday. Comments may be submitted electronically. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for file formats and other information about electronic filing and docket review.

This correction notice will not extend the comment period. The comment period ends on August 2, 2002. All comments received under the incorrect docket number will be directed to the appropriate Comments Clerk.

Dated: July 11, 2002.

**Cynthia C. Dougherty,**

*Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

#### 42 CFR Chapter IV

[CMS-1227-N]

RIN 0938-ZA40

#### Medicare Program; Town Hall Meeting on the Outcome Assessment Information Set (OASIS)

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a town hall meeting to discuss and obtain general comments from the public about the items contained in the OASIS home health assessment instrument. Specifically, the meeting will attempt to elicit the individual comments and experiences of home health stakeholders in using the OASIS and any burden associated with its completion, and their comments about the necessity of individual assessment items. Beneficiaries, providers, physicians, home health agencies and industry representatives, encoding specialists, and other interested parties are invited to this meeting to present their individual views on these issues. We will consider the individual opinions provided during this meeting as we proceed with our efforts to update the

OASIS assessment instrument and reduce the burden of OASIS data collection by home health care providers. The meeting is open to the public, but attendance is limited to space available.

**DATE: Meeting Date:** The town hall meeting announced in this notice will be held on Wednesday, July 31, 2002, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (eastern standard time).

**ADDRESSES:** The town hall meeting will be held in the auditorium at the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Katie Laschinger, 410-786-2119. You may also send inquiries about this meeting via e-mail to *KLaschinger@cms.hhs.gov*.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

On June 10, 2002, the Secretary of Health and Human Services announced the launching of a new effort to streamline Medicare's paperwork requirements for home health nurses and therapists so that they can focus more on providing quality care to their patients.

The action is one of several steps announced to address interim recommendations from the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Regulatory Reform. Secretary Thompson created the panel of consumers, physicians, and other health care professionals to help guide HHS' broader efforts to streamline unnecessarily burdensome or inefficient regulations that interfere with the quality of health care for Americans.

Since 1999, Medicare has required home health agencies to complete the OASIS (Outcome Assessment Information Set) at regular intervals both to ensure Medicare pays appropriately and to assess and improve the quality of care provided by the home health agency. Committee members, however, made several recommendations for streamlining the assessment to achieve those goals more efficiently, allowing home health agencies to spend more resources providing care to their patients.

Acting on the committee's recommendations to date, we have already taken steps to revise the OASIS form and its use, and will begin implementation of the changes. These changes will be described at the OASIS town hall meeting. We are now interested in providing interested parties with the opportunity to propose additional changes to OASIS as part of

the process for the regular update of the OASIS instrument, its format, and use.

## II. Meeting Format

The meeting will begin with an overview of the goals of the meeting, the recommendations made by the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Regulatory Reform, the Secretary's Committee on Government Reform, and our efforts to implement those recommendations to revise the OASIS and its administration by home health agencies. The meeting moderator will be introduced along with members of the OASIS Technical Expert Panel, which is working with us on the long-term review and update of OASIS. The moderator will elicit the individual comments and recommendations of the audience about OASIS, its content, and ways to further reduce the burden of OASIS data collection.

Beginning on July 12, 2002, information about the OASIS town hall meeting will be posted at the following website address: [www.cms.hhs.gov/oasis/hhnew.asp](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/oasis/hhnew.asp). At this address, interested parties will find an agenda for the meeting and handouts to be used during the discussions.

We will limit the time for participants to make formal statements according to the number of registered participants. Individuals who wish to make formal statements must contact Katie Laschinger as soon as possible. Those individuals must subsequently submit their formal statement in writing no later than 5 p.m., Wednesday, July 24, 2002. Send written submissions to: Katie Laschinger, Division of Ambulatory and Post Acute Care (DAPAC), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Mail Stop S3-06-26, Baltimore, Maryland 21244 or [Klaschinger@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Klaschinger@cms.hhs.gov). Comments from individuals not registered to speak will be heard after individuals with scheduled statements, if time permits.

## III. Registration Instructions

The DAPAC is coordinating meeting registration. While there is no registration fee, all individuals must register to attend. Because this meeting will be located on Federal property, for security reasons, any persons wishing to attend this meeting must call or e-mail Katie Laschinger to register at least 72 hours in advance. Attendees must show photographic identification to the Federal Protective Service or Guard Service personnel before they will be permitted to enter the building. Individuals who have not registered in advance will not be allowed to enter the building to attend the meeting. Seating

capacity is limited to the first 250 registrants.

Individuals requiring sign language interpretation for the hearing impaired or other special accommodations should contact Katie Laschinger at least 10 days before the meeting.

**Authority:** Section 1891 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395bbb)

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance; and Program No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: July 15, 2002.

**Thomas A. Scully,**

*Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 25

[IB Docket No. 02-10, DA 02-806]

### Procedures To Govern the Use of Earth Stations on Board Vessels in Bands Shared With Terrestrial Fixed Service

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On March 22, 2002, the Federal Communications Commission published a proposed rule document on the variety of issues related to the authorization of satellite earth stations on board vehicles (ESVs). In response to a request for an extension of time, on April 9, 2002, the Commission released an order granting an extension of time for filing comments and reply comments in this proceeding.

**DATES:** Comments were due on or before May 10, 2002. Reply comments were due on or before June 10, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments and reply comments should be addressed to: Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. All comments and reply comments will be available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center, Room CY-A257, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peggy Reitzel, Policy Division, International Bureau, (202) 418-1499.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

1. On April 5, 2002, Maritime Telecommunications Network, Inc. (MTN) filed a motion to extend the comment and reply comment filing deadlines in this proceeding. (*see* Notice of Inquiry in the Matter of Procedures to Govern the Use of Earth Stations on Board Vessels in Bands Shared with Terrestrial Fixed Service, IB Docket No. 02-10, 67 FR 13399, March 22, 2002). MTN contends that the current pleading schedule coincides with the upcoming meeting of the ITU-R Working Group 4-9S in Geneva, at which studies regarding the regulatory, technical and operational aspects of ESVs are expected to be conducted. Because many of these same technical and operational issues are under consideration in this proceeding, MTN asserts that commenters would benefit from additional time to review the results of the ITU-R meeting prior to the filing of comments.

2. Although we do not routinely grant extensions of time, *see* 47 CFR 1.46(a), we believe that extending the pleading cycle in this case will serve the public interest. In the Notice of Inquiry, the Commission indicated that it would note further international developments concerning the ESV service as it considers issues that could arise in the potential licensing of ESVs on a domestic level. Therefore, it is appropriate to extend the comment and reply comment deadlines by 30 days to permit MTN and other members of the public to incorporate the results of the ITU-R meeting in their comments and reply comments so as to help the Commission address the complex issues raised in this proceeding.

3. Pursuant to § 1.46 of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR 1.46, the request of Maritime Telecommunications Network Inc. *is granted*.

4. The deadline for filing comments in this proceeding *was extended* to May 10, 2002.

5. The deadline for filing reply comments in this proceeding *was extended* to June 10, 2002.

Federal Communications Commission.

**James Ball,**

*Chief, Policy Division, International Bureau.*

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