

**DATES:** This notice is effective October 7, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general information contact: Barbara Cunningham, Acting Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; e-mail address: [TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov](mailto:TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. General Information**

*A. Does this Action Apply to Me?*

This action is directed in particular to the chemical manufacturer and/or importer who submitted the TME to EPA. This action may, however, be of interest to the public in general. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

*B. How Can I Get Copies of This Document and Other Related Information?*

1. *Docket.* EPA has established an official public docket for this action under docket identification (ID) number OPPT-2002-0063. The official public docket consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received, and other information related to this action. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at the EPA Docket Center, Rm. B102-Reading Room, EPA West, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The EPA Docket Center Reading Room telephone number is (202) 566-1744 and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket, which is located in EPA Docket Center, is (202) 566-0280.

2. *Electronic access.* You may access this **Federal Register** document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>. A frequently updated electronic version of 40 CFR is available at [http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfrhtml\\_00/Title\\_40/40cfr\\_00.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfrhtml_00/Title_40/40cfr_00.html), a beta site currently under development.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket> to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in Unit I.B.1. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket ID number.

**II. What Action is the Agency Taking?**

EPA approves the modifications of the test marketing period, production volume, and number of customers for TME-02-0005. EPA has determined that test marketing of the new chemical substance described in this notice, under the conditions set out in the TME applications and modification requests, and for the modified time periods specified in this notice, will not present any unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment. Production volume, use, and the number of customers must not exceed specifications in the application. All other conditions and restrictions described in the original notice of approval of test marketing application must be met.

*TME-02-0005*

*Notice of approval of original application:* February 27, 2002, (67 FR 8971) (FRL-6825-3).

*Production volume:* CBI.

*Number of customers:* 0 (intermediate).

*Modified test marketing period:* 6 months.

*Commencing on:* October 8, 2002.

The Agency reserves the right to rescind approval or modify the conditions and restrictions of an exemption should any new information come to its attention which casts significant doubt on its finding that the test marketing activities will not present any unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment.

**III. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?**

Section 5(h)(1) of TSCA authorizes EPA to exempt persons from premanufacture notification (PMN) requirements and permit them to manufacture or import new chemical substances for test marketing purposes if the Agency finds that the manufacture, processing, distribution in commerce, use, and disposal of the substances for test marketing purposes will not present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment. EPA may impose restrictions on test marketing activities and may modify or revoke a test marketing exemption upon receipt of new information which casts significant doubt on its finding that the test marketing activity will not present an unreasonable risk of injury.

**List of Subjects**

Environmental protection, Test marketing exemptions.

Dated: October 7, 2002.

**Rose A. Allison,**

*Acting Chief, New Chemicals Prenotice Management Branch, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.*

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

[WC Docket No. 02-60; DA 02-2551]

**New Universal Service Deadline for Completing Funding Year 2001 Rural Healthcare Application Process**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document announces the new deadline for completing Rural Healthcare Applications for filing the FCC Form 466/468 packet, for those rural healthcare providers seeking discounts for Funding Year 2001 under the rural healthcare universal service support mechanism.

**DATES:** Filing deadline is October 11, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peter Trachtenberg, Attorney, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, (202) 418-7400, TTY: (202) 418-0484.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** October 11, 2002, is the final deadline for filing the FCC Form 466/468 packet, for those rural healthcare providers seeking discounts for Funding Year 2001 under the rural healthcare universal service

support mechanism. The Form 466/468 packet informs the Rural Healthcare Division (RHCD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company that the health care provider has entered into an agreement with a telecommunications carrier for a service believed eligible for universal service support. Those entities that have applied for support for Funding Year 2001 (July 1, 2001—June 30, 2002) must have their completed packet postmarked by October 11, 2002.

*The completed FCC Form 466/468 packet must include the following:*

(1) FCC Form 466 (Services Ordered and Certification Form), completed by the health care provider;

(2) FCC Form 468 (Telecommunications Service Providers Support Form), completed by the telecommunications carrier;

(3) contract document or tariff designation, provided by either the health care provider or telecommunications carrier, and,

(4) if the health care provider is seeking support based on an urban/rural rate comparison, documentation must be included to show the rate for the selected service(s) in the nearest city of 50,000 or more within the state.

The forms and accompanying instructions may be obtained at the RHCD Web site <<http://www.rhc.universalservice.org/forms>> (they are called Funding Year 4 forms, because Funding Year 2001 was the fourth year of the program). Parties with questions or in need of assistance with the filing of their applications should contact RHCD's Customer Service Support Center at 1-800-229-5476.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Mark G. Seifert,**

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[FCC 02-277]

### Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility and Integrity of Disseminated Information

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission (Commission) has published its Information Quality Guidelines on its Internet web site. The

guidelines were developed pursuant to the requirements of the Data Quality Act, Section 515 of Public Law No. 105-554, and the implementing rules of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB's) Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility and Integrity of Information Disseminated by Federal Agencies, 67 FR 8452, February 22, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Karen Wheelless, Office of Managing Director, 202-418-2910, or by e-mail to [kwheelles@fcc.gov](mailto:kwheelles@fcc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 515 of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (Public Law 106-554) directed OMB to issue government-wide guidelines that "provide policy and procedural guidance to Federal agencies for ensuring and maximizing the quality, objectivity, utility and integrity of information (including statistical information) disseminated by Federal agencies." The OMB guidelines required each agency to make a draft of its guidelines available for public review by May 1, 2002. Revised drafts were provided to OMB for review by August 1, 2002. Final guidelines were to be available on an agency's Internet site by October 1, 2002. The Guidelines can be found at <http://www.fcc.gov/omd/dataquality>. Information on how to file a complaint regarding an information dissemination product covered by these guidelines can also be found at the same location.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Marlene H. Dortch,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

[Petition No. P2-02]

### Petition of the South Florida NVOCC-NAOCC Association, Inc. for an Investigation of the Service Contracting and Rating Practices of the Caribbean Shipowners Association; Notice of Filing and Request for Comments

Notice is hereby given that, by petition filed October 8, 2002, the South Florida NVOCC-NAOCC Association, Inc. ("Petitioner") has petitioned the Commission for an investigation under section 11(c) of the Shipping Act of 1984 ("Shipping Act") of certain activities by the members of the Caribbean Shipowners Association ("CSA").

In particular, Petitioner requests the Commission to determine whether CSA's members have violated the Shipping Act through discriminatory service contracting and rating practices in the Caribbean trades that intentionally discriminate against Ocean Transportation Intermediaries ("OTIs") in violation of sections 10(c)(1), 10(c)(3), 10(c)(7) and 10(c)(8) of the Shipping Act. Petitioner contends that these practices reduce competition in the involved trades and produce unreasonable reductions in transportation service and unreasonable increases in transportation cost to OTIs, their shippers and the shipping public within the meaning of section 6(g) of the Shipping Act. Petitioner further alleges that CSA and its members may be in violation of section 5(c) of the Shipping Act by either adopting mandatory agreements relating to OTI rates and services or failing to file true copies of their voluntary guidelines thereon with the Commission. Petitioner finally alleges that, in taking these actions, CSA is operating in violation of its agreement and is therefore also in violation of section 10(c)(3) of the Shipping Act.

In support of these contentions, Petitioner claims that Non-Vessel-Operating common carrier OTIs ("NVOs") depend upon CSA members to transport their shipments, approximately 90% of which move under service contracts. On or about July 1, 2002, CSA members announced a selective rate increase plan targeting service contract and tariff rates for the commodity descriptions almost exclusively used by NVOs for consolidated containers of less than container load ("LCL") cargo: Freight All Kinds ("FAK") and General Department Store Merchandise ("GDSM"). Petitioner states that the increases were substantial (from 10% to 40%); however, CSA purportedly did not take across-the-board increases for any other commodities or categories of shippers. Petitioner asserts that CSA's members' service contract offers to NVOs have eliminated all commodity rates other than FAK and GDSM, thereby depriving NVOs of a rate basis on which to compete for full container load ("FCL"), single commodity shipments. Petitioner further alleges that, at the same time, a wholly-owned NVO subsidiary of CSA member Tropical Shipping and Construction Co., Ltd. ("Tropical") (described by Petitioner as the largest vessel-operating carrier in most of the involved markets and virtually the only CSA member competing in the LCL market) reduced its LCL rates. Petitioner argues the