

Committee (Committee) to assist it in revising and updating accessibility guidelines for telecommunications products and accessibility standards for electronic and information technology. This notice announces the dates, time, and location of the second committee meeting, which will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for November 8 and 9, 2006 (beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 5 p.m. each day). Notices of future meetings will be published in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Education, Potomac Center Plaza, 10th Floor Auditorium, 550 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20202.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Timothy Creagan, Office of Technical and Information Services, Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, 1331 F Street, NW., suite 1000, Washington, DC 20004-1111. Telephone number: 202-272-0016 (Voice); 202-272-0082 (TTY). Electronic mail address: [creagan@access-board.gov](mailto:creagan@access-board.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Telecommunications and Electronic and Information Technology Advisory Committee held its first meeting September 27-29, 2006 in Arlington, Virginia at the National Science Foundation. The Board organized this Committee to review its standards for electronic and information technology covered by section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act and to provide recommendations on how they should be updated. The Committee will also address updating the Board's guidelines for telecommunications products covered by section 255 of the Telecommunications Act.

At the first meeting, the Board provided a briefing on regulations governing committees of this type under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The Committee reviewed and approved protocols that will govern its work and meetings. The Committee's objectives, milestones, subcommittee structure, and meeting schedule were also discussed. Members heard presentations and panel discussions on issues that need to be explored as recommended by government, consumer, and industry representatives. Information was provided on various accessibility initiatives in the U.S. and abroad relating to electronic and information technology. This included updates on efforts to develop standards by the European Union, the Japanese Standards Association, Industry Canada,

and Australia's Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission.

Prior to its first meeting, over 120 organizations applied to serve on the Committee. In order to keep the Committee to a size that can be effective, it was necessary to limit membership. It is also important to have balance among members of the Committee representing different clusters of interest, such as disability organizations and the technology industry. Some organizations that were not accepted asked that their applications be reconsidered. Additionally, some organizations learned about the Committee too late to submit an application. Accordingly, time was set aside at the first meeting to allow organizations to submit an application directly to the committee to be considered for membership. At the first meeting, 10 organizations applied to the Committee to be considered for membership. One organization, AOL LLC, was added.

In keeping with the Committee's protocols, as adopted at its first meeting, there will be time set aside on the agenda during the November meeting to allow additional organizations to have their applications considered. This is currently scheduled for Friday, November 9 at approximately 2:30 p.m. Organizations seeking to be added to the Committee are encouraged to contact Timothy Creagan prior to the meeting (*see contact information, above*).

A draft meeting agenda and other information about the Committee, including tentative future meeting dates and information on subcommittees are available on the Access Board's Web site (<http://www.access-board.gov/sec508/update-index.htm>) or at a special Web site created for the Committee's work (<http://teitac.org>). The site includes a calendar for the subcommittee meetings, e-mail distribution lists, and a "Wiki" ([http://teitac.org/wiki/TEITAC\\_Wiki](http://teitac.org/wiki/TEITAC_Wiki)) which provides interactive online work space.

Committee meetings are open to the public and interested persons can attend the meetings and communicate their views. Members of the public will have an opportunity to address the Committee on issues of interest to them and the Committee during public comment periods scheduled on each day of the meeting. Members of groups or individuals who are not members of the Committee are invited to participate on subcommittees that were formed at the first meeting. The Access Board believes that participation of this kind is very valuable to the advisory committee process.

The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Sign language interpreters and real-time captioning will be provided in the main committee meeting room. Due to logistical issues regarding the available space in smaller meeting rooms which may be used for breakout sessions, it is essential that individuals who require sign language interpreters or real-time captioning, contact Timothy Creagan by November 2, 2006 (*see contact information, above*).

For the comfort of other participants, persons attending Committee meetings are requested to refrain from using perfume, cologne, and other fragrances. Due to security measures at the Department of Education, all attendees must notify Timothy Creagan of their intent to attend the meeting (*see contact information, above*). Pre-registration is required for expeditious entry into the facility and will enable the Board to provide additional information as needed.

**Lawrence Roffee,**

*Executive Director.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Parts 49 and 51

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0076; FRL-8233-3]

RIN 2060-AH37

### Review of New Sources and Modifications in Indian Country

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

**ACTION:** Announcement of extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The EPA is announcing an extension of the public comment period on our proposed Review of New Sources and Modification in Indian Country Federal Implementation Plan (FIP) (August 21, 2006). The proposed FIP changes would include two basic air quality regulations for the protection of communities in Indian country. The first rule would apply to minor stationary sources and minor modifications at major stationary sources in Indian country (minor New Source Review (NSR) rule). The second rule would apply to all new major stationary sources and major modifications located in areas of Indian country that are designated as not attaining the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)

(nonattainment major NSR rule). These rules would be implemented by EPA, or a delegate tribal agency assisting EPA with administration of the rules, until replaced by an EPA-approved tribal implementation plan for an area of Indian country. The EPA is extending the public comment period from November 20, 2006 to January 19, 2007. The EPA is extending the public comment period by 60 days because of the number of requests we received in a timely manner.

**DATES:** *Comments.* Comments must be received on or before January 19, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0076, by one of the following methods:

- *http://www.regulations.gov.* Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *E-mail: a-and-r-docket@epamail.epa.gov.*

- *Fax: 202-566-1741.*

- *Mail: Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0076, U.S.*

Environmental Protection Agency, EPA West (Air Docket), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest, Mailcode: 6102T, Washington, DC 20460. Please include a total of 2 copies. In addition, please mail a copy of your comments on the information collection provisions to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attn: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th St., NW., Washington, DC 20503.

- *Hand Delivery:* U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA West (Air Docket), 1301 Constitution Avenue, Northwest, Room B-102, Washington, DC 20004, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0076. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

**Instructions.** Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0076. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. The <http://www.regulations.gov> Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity

or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an e-mail comment directly to EPA without going through <http://www.regulations.gov> your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional instructions on submitting comments, go to the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

**Docket:** All documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in <http://www.regulations.gov> or in hard copy at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Air Docket, EPA/DC, EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the Air Docket is (202) 566-1742.

**Note:** The EPA Docket Center suffered damage due to flooding during the last week of June 2006. The Docket Center is continuing to operate. However, during the cleanup, there will be temporary changes to Docket Center telephone numbers, addresses, and hours of operation for people who wish to make hand deliveries or visit the Public Reading Room to view documents. Consult EPA's **Federal Register** notice at 71 FR 38147 (July 5, 2006) or the EPA Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm> for current information on docket operations, locations and telephone numbers. The Docket Center's mailing address for U.S. mail and the procedure for submitting comments to <http://www.regulations.gov> are not affected by the flooding and will remain the same.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For technical information, contact Jessica

Montanez, Air Quality Policy Division, U.S. EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (C504-03), Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711, telephone number (919) 541-3407, facsimile number (919) 541-5509, electronic mail e-mail address: [montanez.jessica@epa.gov](mailto:montanez.jessica@epa.gov).

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. General Information

#### A. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

##### 1. Submitting CBI

Do not submit this information to EPA through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD ROM that you mail to EPA, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD ROM the specific information that is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. Send or deliver information identified as CBI only to the following address: Roberto Morales, OAQPS Document Control Officer (C404-02), U.S. EPA, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0076.

##### 2. Tips for Preparing Your Comments

When submitting comments, remember to:

- Identify the rulemaking by docket number and other identifying information (subject heading, **Federal Register** date and page number).
- Follow directions—The agency may ask you to respond to specific questions or organize comments by referencing a Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part or section number.
- Explain why you agree or disagree; suggest alternatives and substitute language for your requested changes.
- Describe any assumptions and provide any technical information and/or data that you used.
- If you estimate potential costs or burdens, explain how you arrived at your estimate in sufficient detail to allow for it to be reproduced.
- Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns, and suggest alternatives.

- Explain your views as clearly as possible, avoiding the use of profanity or personal threats.

- Make sure to submit your comments by the comment period deadline identified.

*B. Where Can I Get a Copy of This Document and Other Related Information?*

In addition to being available in the docket, an electronic copy of this proposal will also be available on the WWW. Following signature by the EPA Administrator, a copy of this notice will be posted in the regulations and standards section of our NSR home page located at <http://www.epa.gov/nsr> and on the tribal air home page at <http://www.epa.gov/oar/tribal>.

Dated: October 12, 2006.

**Jeffrey S. Clark,**

*Acting Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards.*

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## AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### 48 CFR Part 7

[USAID Acquisition Regulation "AIDAR"]

RIN 0412-AA56

#### Application of Post Differential and Danger Pay Allowances To Extended Workweeks Under Cost-Reimbursement Type Contracts

**AGENCY:** United States Agency for International Development.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) is proposing to amend its regulations by adding how Post-differential and Danger pay allowances will be applied to extended workweeks under cost-reimbursement type contracts.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before December 26, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments, identified by title of the Proposed Action, and RIN number by any of the following methods:

*Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

*E-mail:* [federalregistercomments@usaid.gov](mailto:federalregistercomments@usaid.gov). Include title of the proposed action, and RIN number in the subject line of the message.

*Fax:* 202-216-3135.

*Mail:* U. S. Agency for International Development, Office of Acquisition &

Assistance, Policy Division, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 7.9-18, Washington, DC 20523-0001.

*Instructions:* All submissions must include the title of the proposed action, and Regulatory Information Number (RIN) for this rulemaking. Please include your name, title, organization, postal address, telephone number, and e-mail address in the text of the message.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Carol Ketrick, Telephone: 202-712-1382, E-mail: [cketrick@usaid.gov](mailto:cketrick@usaid.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Public Participation:* Because security screening precautions have slowed the delivery and dependability of surface mail to USAID/Washington, USAID recommends sending all comments to the Federal eRulemaking Portal, e-mail address, or fax number listed above (all comments must be in writing to be reviewed). You may submit comments by electronic mail avoiding the use of any special characters and any form of encryption. All comments will be made available for public review without change, including any personal information provided, from three days after receipt to finalization of rule at <http://www.usaid.gov/policy/regulations/index.html>.

#### A. Background

Based on a recent surge in requests to interpret the applicable regulations for Post differential and Danger pay allowances associated with contract awards in Iraq and Afghanistan, we feel it prudent to amend 48 CFR 752.7028 of the USAID Acquisition Regulations (the "AIDAR") to clarify the existing policy. This clarification brings the policy in line with that applied to direct-hire employees. The Department of State's Standardized Regulations (DSSR) provide those regulations governing allowances, differentials and defraying of official residence expenses for employees in foreign areas. The DSSR provides the following definitions for the allowances noted above as follows: "Post allowance" is "a cost-of-living allowance granted to an employee officially stationed at a post in a foreign area where the cost of living, exclusive of quarters costs, is substantially higher than in Washington, DC". It is additional compensation for service at places in foreign areas where conditions of environment differ substantially from conditions of environment in the continental U.S. and warrant additional compensation as a recruitment and retention incentive. "Danger Pay Allowance" means the "additional compensation of up to 35 percent over

basic compensation granted to employees for service at designated danger pay posts." Direct hire employees are compensated in accordance with the DSSR which defines basic compensation as the rate of compensation fixed by statute for the position held by an employee: administratively in conformity with rates paid by the Government for work of a comparable level of difficulty and responsibility in the continental United States, before any deduction is made and without taking into consideration any additional compensation such as overtime pay, night pay differential, hazard differential, extra pay for work on holidays, post differential, and allowances \* \* \*". Further, the Department of State Foreign Affairs Manual, (FAM) 3 FAM-2333.1-1 establishes the basic workweek for full-time employees as being a 40-hour workweek.

Recent contract awards in Iraq and Afghanistan have resulted in circumstances where the contractor may be authorized to work in excess of a 40-hour workweek. Mission direct-hire employees have, in some instances, worked more than a 40-hour workweek; however, for purposes of calculating Danger pay allowance, these additional hours are not included in the amount defined as "basic compensation". In order to clarify USAID policy aligning payment of allowances with that of direct-hire employees, the Proposed Rule would amend 48 CFR 752.7028 to reflect USAID's policy that Post-differential and Danger Pay allowances are to be calculated by applying the percentage rates to a maximum 40-hour workweek, regardless of whether the contractor has been authorized a workweek in excess of 40 hours. The proposed amendments made under this case are intended to be applicable only to USAID cost reimbursement type contracts; however, the policy would also apply to contracts or task orders using other than a cost-reimbursement pricing structure but that allow for the reimbursement of costs for these allowances. USAID is interested in hearing from contractors regarding the effect on contractors' standard policies regarding employee benefits.

USAID also seeks comment on the inclusion of an exception to the above limitation which would allow Mission Directors to authorize calculation of post-differential and danger percentages applied to a workweek in excess of 40 hours as approved by a contracting officer.

In addition to the clarification of the policy, the applicable clause is modified to delete reference to the Supplemental