

signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review a Privacy Act notice regarding our public dockets in the January 17, 2008, issue of the **Federal Register** (73 FR 3316).

### Background and Purpose

On August 28, 2009, the Coast Guard published an NPRM entitled "Standards for Living Organisms in Ships' Ballast Water Discharged in U.S. Waters" in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 44632). The comment period for the NPRM was to close on November 27, 2009. On the same day, the Coast Guard also published a Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register** informing the public that the DPEIS for the "Standards for Living Organisms in Ships' Ballast Water Discharged in U.S. Waters" rulemaking had been added to the docket and was available for public comment (74 FR 44673). The August 28, 2009 Notice of Availability for the DPEIS stated that the public comment period for the DPEIS would close on November 27, 2009.

Council on Environmental Quality regulations at 40 CFR part 1506.10 state that "(a) The Environmental Protection Agency shall publish a notice in the **Federal Register** each week of the environmental impact statements filed during the preceding week. The minimum time periods set forth in this section shall be calculated from the date of publication of this notice. (b) No decision on the proposed action shall be made or recorded under Sec. 1505.2 by a Federal agency until the later of the following dates: (1) Ninety days after publication of the notice described above in paragraph (a) of this section for a draft environmental impact statement." The Environmental Protection Agency did not publish their notice of availability for the DPEIS until September 4, 2009. Accordingly, the Coast Guard has decided to extend the comment periods for both the NPRM and the DPEIS in order to ensure that the public has adequate time to submit comments regarding these important proposals. The comment period for the NPRM and the DPEIS will now close on December 4, 2009.

Additionally, you are reminded that you may comment on any aspect of the rulemaking, including on any comments placed in the docket. We may change the proposed rule or the DPEIS in response to the comments received.

Dated: October 8, 2009.

**J.G. Lantz,**

*Director of Commercial Regulations and Standards, U.S. Coast Guard.*

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

### 39 CFR Part 3050

[Docket No. RM2010-1; Order No. 311]

#### Periodic Reporting Rules

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rulemaking; availability of rulemaking petition.

**SUMMARY:** This document announces a proposed rulemaking in response to a recent Postal Service petition involving periodic reporting rules. It concerns a new Postal Service special study updating the density factors that are used to distribute certain attributable transportation costs in two cost segments (Nos. 8 and 14). The public is invited to comment.

**DATES:** Comments are due October 28, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, at 202-789-6824 or [stephen.sharfman@prc.gov](mailto:stephen.sharfman@prc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On October 6, 2009, the Postal Service filed a petition to initiate an informal rulemaking proceeding to consider changes in the analytical methods approved for use in periodic reporting.<sup>1</sup> The Petition explains that the Postal Service has conducted a new special study for the purpose of updating density factors used to distribute vehicle service drive attributable costs in Cost Segment 8 and attributable transportation costs in Cost Segment 14. The data-collection method is similar to the previous special study described in Library Reference USPS-LR-K-33 in Docket No. R2001-1. *See id.*, Proposal 20 at 1.

The attachment to the Postal Service's Petition explains its proposal in more detail, including the background, objective, rationale, and estimated impact. For illustrative purposes, the Postal Service provides a table showing

<sup>1</sup> Petition of the United States Postal Service Requesting Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider a Proposed Change in Analytic Principles (Proposal Twenty), October 6, 2009 (Petition).

the impact of distributing FY 2008 highway, rail, and vehicle service driver costs based on the new and existing density factors. *See id.*, Proposal 20 at 3.

*It is ordered:*

1. The Petition of the United States Postal Service Requesting Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider a Proposed Change in Analytic Principles (Proposal Twenty), filed October 6, 2009, is granted.

2. The Commission establishes Docket No. RM2010-1 to consider the matters raised by the Postal Service's Petition.

3. Interested persons may submit comments on or before October 28, 2009.

4. The Commission will determine the need for reply comments after review of the initial comments.

5. Cassie D'Souza is designated to serve as the Public Representative representing the interests of the general public in this proceeding.

6. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

**Shoshana M. Grove,**

*Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R05-OAR-2009-0120; FRL-8968-2]

#### Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana; Carbon Monoxide Maintenance Plan Updates; Limited Maintenance Plan

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is proposing to approve a request submitted by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) on January 12, 2009, for a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision of the carbon monoxide (CO) "Limited Maintenance Plan" update for Lake and Marion Counties, Indiana. These Limited Maintenance Plans demonstrate continued attainment of the CO National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Lake and Marion counties for an additional ten years.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before November 16, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R05-

OAR-2009-0120, by one of the following methods:

1. <http://www.regulations.gov>: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

2. *E-mail*: [mooney.john@epa.gov](mailto:mooney.john@epa.gov).

3. *Fax*: (312) 692-2551.

4. *Mail*: John M. Mooney, Chief, Criteria Pollutant Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

5. *Hand Delivery*: John M. Mooney, Chief, Criteria Pollutant Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Regional Office normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. The Regional Office official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding Federal holidays.

*Please see* the direct final rule which is located in the Rules section of this **Federal Register** for detailed instructions on how to submit comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Charles Hatten, Environmental Engineer, Criteria Pollutant Section, Air Programs Branch (AR-18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 886-6031, [hatten.charles@epa.gov](mailto:hatten.charles@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In the Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because EPA views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this rule, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse

comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment. For additional information, see the direct final rule which is located in the Rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: September 29, 2009.

**Walter W. Kovalick Jr.**,

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 5.*

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