Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to comment on this rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments, as they may desire. Comments that provide the factual basis supporting the views and suggestions presented are particularly helpful in developing reasoned regulatory decisions on the proposal. Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, aeronautical, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the proposal.

Communications should identify both docket numbers (FAA Docket No. FAA–2011–380; Airspace Docket No. 11–AEA–12) and be submitted in triplicate to the Docket Management System (see ADDRESSES section for address and phone number). You may also submit comments through the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov.

Annotators wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this action must submit with those comments a self-addressed stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: “Comments to Docket No. FAA–2011–380; Airspace Docket No. 11–AEA–12.” The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter.

All communications received before the specified closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this notice may be changed in light of the comments received. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

Availability of NPRMs

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from and comments submitted through http://www.regulations.gov. Recently published rulemaking documents can also be accessed through the FAA’s web page at http://www.faa.gov/airspace/airspace_amendments/.

You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office (see the ADDRESSES section for address and phone number) between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the office of the Eastern Service Center, Federal Aviation Administration, room 210, 1701 Columbia Avenue, College Park, Georgia 30337.

Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRMs should contact the FAA’s Office of Rulemaking, (202) 267–9677, to request a copy of Advisory circular No. 11–2A, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking distribution System, which describes the application procedure.

The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to part 71 of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) to establish Class E airspace at New Market, VA to provide controlled airspace required to support the new standard instrument approach procedures for New Market Airport. Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface would be established for the safety and management of IFR operations.

Class E airspace designations are published in Paragraph 6005 of FAA order 7400.9U, dated August 18, 2010, and effective September 15, 2010, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document would be published subsequently in the Order.

The FAA has determined that this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. It, therefore, (1) Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a “significant rule” under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a Regulatory Evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this proposed rule, when promulgated, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

The FAA’s authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency’s authority. This proposed rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This proposed regulation is within the scope of that authority as it would establish Class E airspace at New Market Airport, New Market, VA.

Lists of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

The Proposed Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR Part 71 as follows:

PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for Part 71 continues to read as follows:


§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9U, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 18, 2010, effective September 15, 2010, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

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AEA VA E5 New Market, VA [New]

New Market Airport, VA

(Lat. 38°39′21″ N., long. 78°42′20″ W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 14.8-mile radius of the New Market Airport.

Issued in College Park, Georgia, on July 15, 2011.

Mark D. Ward,
Manager, Operations Support Group, Eastern Service Center, Air Traffic Organization.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

16 CFR PART 1420

[CPSC Docket No. CPSC–2011–0047]

Amendment to Standard for All-Terrain Vehicles; Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

Commission (“Commission,” “CPSC,” or “we”) to publish, as a mandatory consumer product safety standard, the American National Standard for Four-Wheel All-Terrain Vehicles Equipment Configuration, and Performance Requirements, developed by the Specialty Vehicle Institute of America (American National Standard ANSI/SVIA 1–2007). We did so on November 14, 2008. 73 FR 67385. ANSI/SVIA has since issued a 2010 edition of its standard. In accordance with the CPSIA, we propose to amend the Commission’s mandatory ATV standard to reference the 2010 edition of the ANSI/SVIA standard.1

DATES: Written comments must be received by October 11, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. [CPSC–2011–0047], by any of the following methods:

Electronic Submissions
Submit electronic comments in the following way:

To ensure timely processing of comments, the Commission is no longer accepting comments submitted by electronic mail (e-mail), except through http://www.regulations.gov.

Written Submissions
Submit written submissions in the following way:
Mail/Hand delivery/Courier (for paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions), preferably in five copies, to: Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Room 820, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone (301) 504–7923.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received may be posted in whole (except for identification numbers, contact information, or other personal information) or in part as described in section 1.35(g) of the Federal Register. The Commission is committed to ensuring public access to the electronic docket. You may view comments that you submit, as well as other relevant material by going to the Federal Register website, http://www.regulations.gov, clicking on the “dockets” link, and following the instructions there. You can also visit our electronic docket in the Government Printing Office’s document retrieval system, the Federal eRulemaking Portal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Elizabeth Leland, Project Manager, Directorate for Economic Analysis, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone (301) 504–7706; eleland@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
A. Background

B. The Proposed Amendment
1. Procedure
Section 42(b) of the Consumer Product Safety Act (“CPSA”) provides that, if ANSI/SVIA 1–2007 is revised after the Commission has published a Federal Register notice mandating the standard as a consumer product safety standard, ANSI must notify the Commission of the revision, and the Commission has 120 days after it receives that notification to issue a notice of proposed rulemaking to amend the Commission’s mandatory ATV standard “to include any such revision that the Commission determines is reasonably related to the safe performance of [ATVs] and notify the Institute of any provision it has determined not to be so related.” 15 U.S.C. 2089(b)(1) and (2). Thereafter, the Commission has 180 days after publication of the proposed amendment to publish a final amendment to revise the ATV standard. Id.

2. Changes From 2007 Edition
On March 16, 2011, ANSI notified us that in December 2010, ANSI approved a revised version of the ANSI/SVIA standard for four-wheel ATVs, ANSI/AVIA 1–2010. We reviewed the changes from the 2007 version. Many changes are minor revisions to the wording in the standard. We consider the substantive changes to be: (1) a change from the scope section, a provision calling for expiration of the definition and requirements for the Y–12+ youth ATV age category on July 28, 2011; (2) a change in how to calculate the speed for the braking test of youth ATVs; (3) a change in the force applied to passenger handholds during testing; (4) the addition of a requirement that youth ATVs shall not have a power take-off mechanism; (5) the addition of a requirement that youth ATVs shall not have a foldable, removable, or retractable structure in the ATV foot environment; (6) additional specificity concerning the location and method of operation of the brake control; (7) tightening the parking brake performance requirement by requiring the transmission to be in “neutral” during testing, rather than in “neutral” or “park”; and (8) the requirement that tire pressure information be on the label, when the previous requirement could be interpreted to allow tire pressure information to be on the label, or in the owner’s manual, or on the tires.

We were concerned initially that two changes to the ANSI/SVIA standard might reduce safety. These two changes were: (1) How the speed for the braking test of youth ATVs is calculated, and (2) the force applied to passenger handholds during testing. As discussed in sections B.2.a and b of this preamble, industry subsequently addressed one issue and is not opposed to addressing the second.

a. Change in Calculation of Speed for Brake Test of Youth ATVs

Section 7.2 of the 2010 edition of the ANSI/SVIA standard provides what appears to be a new formula for calculating the speed at which the braking tests for youth ATVs would be performed. As published, the 2010 formula would result in testing the brakes of some youth ATVs at much lower speeds than required under the 2007 edition of the standard. However, in a conversation with SVIA representatives on May 20, 2010, CPSC staff and SVIA discovered that this provision has a typographical error, and the new formula, in fact, applies only to the Y–6+ category ATV. This would not result in a significant change in the brake testing speed. ANSI has since printed a memorandum and an errata sheet and distributed them to past purchasers of the standard. The memorandum and errata sheet will be included in all future printings of the standard. We are satisfied with SVIA’s response to this issue and do not believe that this change (as corrected) justifies excluding this provision from any amendment to the current mandatory consumer product safety standard.

1The Commission voted 4–0–1 to approve publication of this notice of proposed rulemaking. Chairman Inez M. Tenenbaum and Commissioners Thomas H. Moore, Nancy A. Nord and Robert S. Adler voted for the proposed rule. Commissioner Anna M. Northup abstained from voting.
b. Change in Force Applied to Passenger Handhold During Testing

Section 4.12 of the ANSI/SVIA standard relates to the testing of passenger handholds on Type II (tandem) ATVs. These ATVs are designed for two riders, with one rider seated behind the other. The ANSI/SVIA 1–2007 standard, which the mandatory standard incorporated, states that these handholds “shall be designed in such a way that each is able to withstand, without failure or permanent deformation, a vertical force of 1000N (224 lb) applied statically to the center of the surface of the handhold at a maximum pressure of 1 MPa (150 psi).” The ANSI/SVIA 1–2010 revision indicates that the force applied to the handhold must be upward. Although the previous version of the standard could have been interpreted to mean that the test could be performed in either a downward or an upward position, or both, we believe that the addition of the word “upward” limits the test procedure, and we believe that the test should be applied in both directions.

SVIA has indicated that the upward vertical direction is consistent with typical loading of an ATV. However, SVIA also stated that SVIA is not opposed to revising the standard in the future to add a downward testing component, noting that such a change will be considered in the next revision of ANSI/SVIA 1–2010. We are satisfied with this response and do not believe that this change justifies excluding this provision from any amendment to the current mandatory consumer product safety standard.

c. The Y–12+ Youth Category

When the ANSI/SVIA 1–2007 voluntary standard was published, industry intended that the Y–12+ youth ATV category would expire in July 2011, leaving the Y–6+ and Y–10+ categories of youth ATVs in the marketplace, along with the T (Transition Model) category ATV for operators age 14 years or older. The scope section of the 2007 edition of the ANSI/SVIA standard provides: “The definition and other requirements of the standard for Category Y–12+ ATVs shall expire four (4) years after the date this standard is approved.” However, SVIA has indicated that it eliminated this provision from the scope section in the 2010 revision of the standard because it intends to continue to allow the Y–12+ category due to the impact of the CPSIA lead content requirements on the production and sale of Y–6+ and Y–10+ category ATVs. We do not consider the elimination of this scope provision to be a problem. The standard did not require manufacturers to stop making Y–12+ ATVs but provided that after a certain date, the definition of that category and other requirements would expire. If this category of ATVs will continue to be available, we believe that it is appropriate to revise the scope section to eliminate this provision as the 2010 revision does.

d. Revisions and the Safe Performance of ATVs

We do not believe that any of the revisions in the ANSI/SVIA 1–2010 standard would diminish the safety of ATVs. Many changes would likely have no direct impact on safety. Whether any of the changes in the 2010 edition of the ANSI/SVIA standard are “reasonably related to the safe performance of ATVs” depends on the criteria for measuring or determining the meaning of “reasonably related” and “safe performance of ATVs.” Although some changes could be considered more related than others to the safe performance of ATVs, such as the requirement that there be no power take-offs on youth ATVs, all, in fact, could be related to the safe performance because the changes improve the standard’s clarity and consistency and, in that way, advance the standard.

Given the relatively minor and editorial nature of most of the changes meant to improve the standard’s clarity and consistency, it makes sense to revise the Commission’s mandatory standard to incorporate all of the provisions of the ANSI/SVIA 1–2010 version to avoid there being two slightly different versions of the standard, the current mandatory standard and the revised voluntary standard. This could lead to confusion in the marketplace, particularly for companies not affiliated with SVIA; for companies that are new to the market; for foreign companies that desire to enter or maintain a place in the U.S. market for ATVs; and for third party testing conformity assessment bodies.

3. Brief Description of the Proposed Rule

The proposed rule would revise §1420.3, “Requirements for four-wheel ATVs.” The current rule refers to the ANSI/SVIA 1–2007 standard, so the proposed rule would replace this reference with the ANSI/SVIA 1–2010 version.

C. Effective Date

The CPSIA provides a timetable for the Commission to issue a notice of proposed rulemaking (within 120 days of receiving notification of a revised ANSI/SVIA standard) and to issue a final rule (within 180 days of publication of the proposed rule), but it does not set an effective date. We propose that the amendment updating the ANSI/SVIA standard take effect 30 days after publication of a final rule. The differences between the 2007 version of the standard and the 2010 version are relatively minor and largely editorial. Because the 2010 version of the ANSI/SVIA standard is already in effect as a voluntary standard, we expect that very few manufacturers would need to make any modifications to meet a mandatory standard that references ANSI/SVIA 1–2010.

D. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Regulatory Flexibility Act (“RFA”) generally requires that agencies review proposed rules for their potential economic impact on small entities, including small businesses. Because section 42(a)(1) of the CPSA requires the Commission to publish ANSI/SVIA 1–2007 as a consumer product safety standard within 90 days of enactment of the CPSIA, we did not issue a notice of proposed rulemaking and, therefore, did not prepare a regulatory flexibility analysis. Moreover, section 42(a)(1) of the CPSA requires the Commission to publish ANSI/SVIA 1–2007 as a consumer product safety standard “notwithstanding any other provision of law.” 15 U.S.C. 2089(a). The Commission interpreted this statutory language to mean that provisions that might ordinarily apply to a rulemaking proceeding, such as those under the RFA, did not apply to the rulemaking mandating ANSI/SVIA 1–2007.

In contrast, section 42(b)(2) of the CPSA requires the Commission to issue a notice of proposed rulemaking when it amends its ATV standard to reflect a revision to the ANSI/SVIA standard. Section 42(b)(4) of the CPSA provides that when the Commission amends its ATV standard to reflect revisions to the ANSI/SVIA standard, the procedures and findings required under sections 7 and 9 of the CPSA do not apply to such a rulemaking. However, this section does not explicitly exempt such a rulemaking from the requirements of the RFA. Therefore, we examined the potential impact on small business that could occur from amending our ATV standard to reference the 2010 version of the ANSI/SVIA standard.

Our analysis indicates that, as of February 2011, 45 ATV manufacturers or importers had CPSIA-approved action plans. (Section 42(a) of the CPSA requires that ATV manufacturers or distributors have an ATV action plan...
filed with the Commission, in addition to complying with the mandated ATV standard). However, two of the 45 companies appear to have stopped manufacturing or importing ATVs. Of the remaining 43 companies, 17 are either large domestic manufacturers or subsidiaries of foreign manufacturers. The remaining 26 companies could be small manufacturers or importers. However, in several cases there was not sufficient readily available information to make this determination. According to the criteria established by the U.S. Small Business Administration, manufacturers are considered to be small if they have fewer than 500 employees. Importers of ATVs that are not actually manufacturers would be considered to be wholesalers and would be considered to be small if they have fewer than 100 employees.

For the most part, the differences between the 2007 and 2010 editions of the ANSI/SVIA standard are relatively minor modifications or updates and are not expected to have a significant impact on any manufacturers or importers of ATVs. Some changes to the text of the ANSI/SVIA standard do not alter the actual requirements of the standard. For example, in the 2010 standard, the phrase “Also called the engine starter” was deleted from the definition of “electric starter.” If any revisions would affect manufacturers, the adjustments that would be required to comply with the 2010 standard would be relatively easy to make, such as some changes in the design or warning labels or hangtags. Other changes, such as the restrictions on the use of power take-offs (devices that allow the engine of a vehicle to power an accessory device or other equipment) and non-fixed structures on Category Y ATVs, the minor changes to the test procedures for service brakes on Category Y ATVs and parking brakes on other ATVs, are unlikely to affect many ATV models. For ATV models that would be affected, the required modifications should be relatively easy to make.

Therefore, we conclude that amending the mandatory ATV standard to reference the 2010 edition of the ANSI/SVIA ATV standard would not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small businesses or other small entities.

E. Paperwork Reduction Act

This proposed amendment would not impose any information collection requirements. Accordingly, this rule is not subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520.

F. Environmental Considerations

The Commission’s regulations provide a categorical exemption for the Commission’s rules from any requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement as they “have little or no potential for affecting the human environment.” 16 CFR 1021.5(c)(2). This proposed amendment falls within the categorical exemption.

G. Request for Comments and Information

The Commission is interested in receiving information, comments, and/or data on the following issues, some of which are beyond the scope of the immediate revisions to the mandatory standard and will be relevant to future ATV rulemaking:

i. Whether the proposed revisions to ANSI/SVIA 1–2007 by ANSI/SVIA 1–2010 are likely to enhance the clarity of the ANSI standard;

ii. The size of the companies (both manufacturers and importers) that have filed action plans with the Commission that would assist with determining whether these companies should be considered small businesses under the Regulatory Flexibility Act;

iii. The effect of not eliminating from the scope of the standard the expiration of the definition and requirements for the Y–12+ ATV age category on July 28, 2011, specifically, but not limited to:

(a) The relationship of the need for continued production of Y–12+ ATV age category and the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act’s (CPSIA) lead content requirements on ATVs intended primarily for youth including the effect of the two stays of enforcement issued by the Commission on the availability of Y–6+ and Y–10+ models (May 1, 2009—74 FR 22154 and Feb. 1, 2011—76 FR 5565);

(b) The number of Y–6+ and Y–10+ models in the marketplace prior to August 2008 and the number available in 2011;

(c) Whether this revision is likely to result in children younger than 12 years old riding Y–12+ ATVs;

(d) The safety of six to nine year old children when using a Y–12+ ATV;

(e) Whether this revision implicitly approves the use of a Y–12+ ATV when a Y–6+ ATV or Y–10+ ATV is not available;

(f) Whether there are any state laws prohibiting the use of a Y–12+ ATV by children younger than 12 including the effects on ATV-related injuries or deaths in those states that have new or updated mandated minimum age requirements for ATV operation since the adoption of ANSI/SVIA 1–2007;

(g) Whether rejecting this revision is likely to result in an increase of the availability of Y–6+ and Y–10+ model ATVs;

(h) Whether rejecting this revision is likely to result in children younger than 12 years old riding adult model ATVs;

(i) The comparative safety of Y–12+ and adult model ATVs when used by children younger than 12 years old;

iv. Other potential improvements on braking test requirements for all ATV categories, (such as the change to the ANSI/SVIA 1–2010 proposal for Y–6+ ATVs);

v. The ANSI/SVIA 1–2010 limitation of the testing standard for passenger handholds by specifying that the force applied must be upward:

(a) Not adding a downward testing component during this revision;

(b) Adding a downward testing component during the next revision;

vi. Any other potential improvements to ATV safety that were not included in the proposed revision to the voluntary standard including, but not limited to:

(a) ATV rollover protection systems or predictive functional controls;

(b) Modifications with respect to the maximum speed of ATVs;

(c) Child-proof ignition safety locks for adult-sized ATVs.

List of Subjects in 16 CFR Part 1420

Administrative practice and procedure, Business and industry, Consumer protection, Imports, Incorporation by reference, Information, Infants and children, Labeling, Law enforcement, Recreation and recreation areas, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Safety.

For the reasons stated in the preamble, the Commission proposes to amend 16 CFR part 1420 as follows:

PART 1420—REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES

1. The authority citation for part 1420 continues to read as follows:


2. In the second sentence of § 1420.1, remove the words, “‘April 13, 2009,’” and add in their place “‘(date 30 days after publication of a final rule in the Federal Register).’”

3. Revise § 1420.3 to read as follows:

§ 1420.3 Requirements for four-wheel ATVs.

(a) Each ATV shall comply with all applicable provisions of the American National Standard for Four-Wheel All-Terrain Vehicles (American National Standards Institute, Inc. ANSI/SVIA
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[Proposed rule]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Texas; Revisions to Permits by Rule and Regulations for Control of Air Pollution by Permits for New Construction or Modification

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve portions of three revisions to the Texas State Implementation Plan (SIP) submitted by the State of Texas on August 31, 1993, July 22, 1998, and October 5, 2010. These revisions amend existing sections and create new sections in Title 30 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC), chapter 116—Control of Air Pollution by Permits for New Construction or Modification. The August 31, 1993, revision creates two new sections at 116.174 and 116.175 for the use of permits (permit allowables) and amends section 116.174 to update internal citations to other Texas regulations. The October 5, 2010, revision amends section 116.116(f) to update internal citations to other Texas regulations. The Commission submitted this amendment to EPA to process as a revision to the Texas SIP. EPA has determined that these SIP revisions comply with the Clean Air Act and EPA regulations, are consistent with EPA policies, and will improve air quality. This action is being taken under section 110 of the Federal Clean Air Act (the Act).

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before August 24, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Ms. Erica Le Doux, Air Permits Section (6PD–R), Environmental Protection Agency, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733. Comments may also be submitted electronically or through hand delivery/courier by following the detailed instructions in the Addresses section of the direct final rule located in the rules section of this Federal Register.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Erica Le Doux, Air Permits Section (6PD–R), Environmental Protection Agency, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733, telephone (214) 665–7265; fax number 214–665–6762; e-mail address ledoux.eric@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the final rules section of this Federal Register, EPA is approving the State’s SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency 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 relevant adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives relevant 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: July 19, 2011.

Todd A. Stevenson, Secretary, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

48 CFR Parts 205, 208, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 252

RIN 0750–AH11

Defense Acquisition Regulations System; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Only One Offer (DFARS Case 2011–D013)

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: DoD is proposing to amend the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to address acquisitions using competitive procedures in which only one offer is received. With some exceptions, the contracting officer must resolicit for an additional period of at least 30 days, if the solicitation allowed fewer than 30 days for receipt of proposals and only one offer is received. If a period of at least 30 days was allowed for receipt of proposals, the contracting officer must determine prices to be fair and reasonable through price or cost analysis or enter negotiations with the offeror.

DATES: Comments on the proposed rule should be submitted in writing to the address shown below on or before September 23, 2011, to be considered in the formation of the final rule.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by DFARS Case 2011–D013, using any of the following methods:

Æ Regulations.gov. http://www.regulations.gov. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by inputting “DFARS Case 2011–D013” under the heading “Enter keyword or ID” and selecting “Search.” Select the link “Submit a Comment” that corresponds with “DFARS Case 2011–D013.” Follow the instructions provided at the “Submit a Comment” screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and “DFARS Case 2011–D013” on your attached document.

Æ E-mail: dfars@osd.mil. Include DFARS Case 2011–D013 in the subject line of the message.

Æ Fax: 703–602–0350.