The Postal Service proposes to revise the Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM) 707.6, to allow publishers who use electronic distribution methods to report such circulation as paid or requested distribution, as applicable.

DATES: We must receive your comments on or before March 5, 2012. Early comments are encouraged.

ADDRESSES: Mail or deliver written comments to the Manager, Product Classification, U.S. Postal Service®, 475 L’Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC by appointment only between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday by calling 1–202–268–2906 in advance. Email comments, containing the name and address of the commenter, may be sent to Product Classification@usps.gov, with a subject line of “epublications.” Faxed comments are not accepted.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Thomas at (202) 268–8069.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Recent advances in technology allow distribution of Periodicals publications through various electronic media channels. According to the standards that govern the Periodicals class, all paid circulation for publications authorized in the General category, and all requested circulation for publications authorized in the Requestor category may be counted toward the publication’s eligibility for Periodicals prices.

Efforts to identify the conditions that would allow electronic copies of Periodicals (e-pubs) to be counted with other distribution outside the mails have been ongoing for the past two years. During that time, the transition from traditional printed copies of Periodicals to electronic copies of the same publications has grown. Many factors contributed to this migration including the proliferation of electronic reading devices and the desire of subscribers to read news immediately upon publication.

The proposed effective date is September 30, 2012.

Although we are exempt from the notice and comment requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act [5 U.S.C. of 553(b), (c)] regarding proposed rulemaking by 39 U.S.C. 410(a), we invite public comments on the following proposed revisions to Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM), incorporated by reference in the Code of Federal Regulations. See 39 CFR 111.1.

List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 111
Administrative practice and procedure, Postal Service.

Accordingly, 39 CFR part 111 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 111—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 39 CFR part 111 continues to read as follows:


2. Revise the following sections of Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM), as follows:

Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)

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700 Special Standards
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707 Periodicals
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6.0 Qualification Categories
6.1 General Publication
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6.1.2 Circulation Standards

General publications must meet these circulation standards:
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[Revise the first sentence in item 6.1.2c as follows:]

Persons whose subscriptions are obtained at a nominal price and those whose copies bear an alternative form of address (except as allowed for electronic copies in 6.5) must not be included in the legitimate list of subscribers. * * * * *

6.4 Requester Publications
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6.4.2 Circulation Standards

Requester publications must meet these circulation standards:
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[Revise the second sentence in 6.4.2e as follows:]

e. * * * Copies addressed using an alternative address format (except as
allowed for electronic copies under 6.5) are not considered requested copies, and persons are not considered to have requested the publication if their copies are addressed in that manner.

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[Renumber current 6.5 through 6.6 as new 6.6 through 6.7 and add new 6.5 as follows:]

**6.5 Electronic Copies**

Copies of Periodicals publications distributed through email or by accessing a password protected Web site (e-pubs) may be counted toward an approved or pending general or requester publications’ eligibility for Periodicals prices. The following conditions additionally apply:

a. Copies of e-pubs that may be counted toward a publications eligibility for Periodicals prices:

1. Must be paid at a price above nominal rate for publications approved in the General category.

2. Must be requested in writing or by electronic correspondence for publications approved in the Requester category.

b. Access to electronic copies of a Periodicals publication offered in conjunction with printed copies of the same issues may not be counted when determining total circulation for the publication.

c. At least 40% of the total circulation of each issue must consist of printed copies.

d. Publications for which at least 60% of total circulation consists of printed copies to subscribers or requesters, as applicable, will be exempt from annual circulation audits.

e. If less than 60% of a Periodicals publication’s total circulation consists of printed copies distributed to subscribers or requesters, as applicable, annual Postal audits must be conducted by a certified audit bureau

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We will publish an appropriate amendment to 39 CFR part 111 if our proposal is adopted.

**Stanley F. Mires, Attorney, Legal Policy and Legislative Advice.**

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**


**40 CFR Parts 141 and 142**

**Announcement of Public Meeting on the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Rule Retrospective Review**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will be holding a public meeting via the Internet on February 23, 2012, to obtain stakeholder input on the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Rule as part of the agency’s Retrospective Review of Existing Regulations. EPA plans to discuss electronic delivery of CCRs, resource implications for implementing CCR delivery certification, use of CCRs to meet Tier 3 Public Notification requirements, and how contaminant levels are reported in the CCR. EPA invites the public to participate in this information exchange on the CCR rule. The instructions for registration for the meeting are located in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

**DATES:** The webinar will be held on February 23, 2012, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. The web dialogue will be available from February 23, 2012, to March 9, 2012.

**How To Access Information:** EPA has established a docket for this activity under Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OW–2012–0035; background information (including the CCR and Public Notification rules) are available in this docket. Comments received on the Preliminary Plan for Periodic Retrospective Reviews of Existing Regulations are available for viewing in EPA’s Docket No. EPA–HQ–OA–2011–0154. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically through www.regulations.gov or in hard copy at the Water Docket, EPA/DC, EPA West, Room 3334, 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 Water Docket is (202) 566–2426.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Adrienne Harris, Drinking Water Protection Division, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (MC4606M), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460 at (202) 250–8793 or CCRRetrospectiveReview@epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Listening Session Registration:** Individuals planning on participating in the Listening Session must register for the meeting at https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/396514342.

**Web Dialogue Registration:** Individuals planning on participating in the web dialogue discussions must join the community at http://CCRRetrospectiveReview.ideascale.com.

The web dialogue will be available from February 23, 2012, to March 9, 2012, for the public to share and post comments on the dialogue.

**Special Accommodations:** For information on access or accommodations for individuals with disabilities, please contact Adrienne Harris at (202) 250–8793 or by email at CCRRetrospectiveReview@epa.gov. Please allow at least five business days prior to the meeting to give EPA time to process your request.

**Background:** Consumer Confidence Reports are a key part of the public’s right-to-know as established in the 1996 Amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA, section 1414(c)). The Consumer Confidence Report, or CCR, is an annual water quality report that a community water system is required by Federal regulations (63 FR 44511, August 19, 1998) to provide to its customers each year. Community water systems (CWSs) serving 10,000 or more persons are required to mail or otherwise directly deliver these reports. States may allow CWSs serving fewer than 10,000 persons to provide these reports by other means. The report lists the regulated contaminants found in the drinking water, as well as health effects information related to violations of the drinking water standards. More information on CCRs can be accessed on EPA’s Web site at http://water.epa.gov/lawsregs/rulesregs/sdwa/ccr/index.cfm.

In August 2011, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finalized its Improving Our Regulations: Final Plan for Periodic Retrospective Reviews of Existing Regulations in response to E.O. 13563. Since 1998, when the CCR rule was finalized, the communication of information and the speed with which information can be shared have greatly expanded, along with a corresponding increase in the diversity of communication tools. The EPA included the CCR rule in its retrospective review plan to explore ways to promote greater transparency...