

within the zone shall proceed as directed. Any person or vessel within the safety zone shall exit the zone when directed by the COTP or the COTP's representatives.

(3) To obtain permissions required by this regulation, individuals may reach the COTP or a COTP representative via VHF channel 16 or 617-223-5757 (Sector Boston Command Center).

(c) *Penalties.* Those who violate this section are subject to the penalties set forth in 33 U.S.C. 1232 and 50 U.S.C. 1226.

(d) *Notification.* Coast Guard Sector Boston will give notice through the Local Notice to Mariners, Broadcast Notice to Mariners, and to mariners for the purpose of enforcement of this temporary safety zone. Also, Sector Boston will notify the public to the greatest extent possible of any period in which the Coast Guard will suspend enforcement of this safety zone.

(e) *COTP representative.* The COTP's representative may be any Coast Guard commissioned, warrant, or petty officer or any Federal, state, or local law enforcement officer who has been designated by the COTP to act on the COTP's behalf. The COTP's representative may be on a Coast Guard vessel, a Coast Guard Auxiliary vessel, a state or local law enforcement vessel, or a location on shore.

Dated: April 27, 2015.

**J.C. O'Connor III,**

*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Boston.*

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

### 39 CFR Part 3001

[Docket No. RM2015-8; Order No. 2465]

#### Rules for Automatic Closure of Inactive Dockets

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is proposing a rule which establishes procedures related to the automatic closure of inactive dockets. The primary purpose of the proposed rule is to simplify the docket closure process and reduce uncertainty over the status of inactive dockets. The Commission invites public comment on the proposal.

**DATES:** *Comments are due:* June 8, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>. Those who cannot submit

comments electronically should contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by telephone for advice on filing alternatives.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

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#### **I. Introduction**

The Commission establishes a rulemaking docket pursuant to the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act (PAEA), Public Law 109-435, 120 Stat. 3198 (2006), which authorizes the Commission to develop rules and establish procedures that it deems necessary and proper to carry out Commission functions.<sup>1</sup>

The primary purpose of this rulemaking is to establish procedures that would simplify the docket closure process by permitting automatic closure of a docket where there has been no activity in the docket for at least 12 months. The proposed rule would ensure that the information provided to the public concerning active dockets remains current. The proposed rule promotes sound and efficient administrative practice, and would serve the public interest by reducing uncertainty over the status of inactive dockets.

#### **II. Background**

Currently, there are no regulations in place that allow for the automatic closure of an inactive docket. In recent years, the Commission has initiated closure of inactive dockets by issuing an order to that effect. For example, on January 29, 2015, the Commission issued an order closing Docket No. PI2012-1 after nearly two years of inactivity.<sup>2</sup> On January 30, 2015, the Commission issued an order closing Docket No. PI2010-1 as there had been no activity in the docket since June 2011.<sup>3</sup> Certain other long-standing dockets, such as the ones noted above, remain open and are identified on the Commission's Web site as active dockets, despite years of inactivity. The

<sup>1</sup> See 39 U.S.C. 503; see also Postal Reorganization Act, Public Law 91-375, 84 Stat. 759 (1970), at section 3603.

<sup>2</sup> Docket No. PI2012-1, Order No. 2335, Order Closing Docket, January 29, 2015.

<sup>3</sup> Docket No. PI2010-1, Order No. 2337, Order Closing Proceeding, January 30, 2015, at 2.

proposed rule would establish a maximum inactive period that would automatically initiate docket closure, without Commission action, thereby preventing dormant dockets from remaining open without productive activity. It would also establish an opportunity for interested persons to request the reopening of an automatically closed docket for good cause.

#### **III. Proposed Rules**

Proposed § 3001.44(a) sets an inactive period of 12 months as the triggering event for automatic docket closure. Proposed § 3001.44(b) provides interested persons with an opportunity to request that an inactive docket remain open at least 10 days prior to automatic closure. Proposed § 3001.44(c) provides interested persons with an opportunity to request that an automatically closed docket be reopened for good cause.

#### **IV. Comments Requested**

Interested persons are invited to provide written comments concerning the proposed rules. Comments are due no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. All comments and suggestions received will be available for review on the Commission's Web site, <http://www.prc.gov>.

Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Anne C. O'Connor is appointed to serve as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in the above-captioned docket.

#### **VI. Ordering Paragraphs**

It is ordered:

1. Docket No. RM2015-8 is established for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed changes to part 3001, as discussed in this Order.

2. Interested persons may submit comments no later than 30 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

3. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Anne C. O'Connor is appointed to serve as Public Representative in this proceeding.

4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this Order in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

**Shoshana M. Grove,**  
*Secretary.*

#### **Concurring Opinion of Commissioner Goldway**

I believe due process and transparency in public proceedings obliges a notice to the public when a

docket is closed. Lacking such notice, it will be more difficult for interested persons to determine when, how and for what reason a docket was terminated.

I would add the following language to the Proposed Rule: The Commission shall issue a public notice announcing the automatic closure of the docket, at the time of closure.

The rule would be improved and the Commission's commitment to openness and citizen participation would be enhanced if the Commission were to adopt in the Final Rule the additional step I had recommended.

Ruth Y. Goldway

#### List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 3001

Administrative practice and procedure, Postal Service.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Commission proposes to amend chapter III of title 39 of the Code of Federal Regulations as follows:

#### PART 3001—RULES OF PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

■ 1. The authority citation for part 3001 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 39 U.S.C. 404(d); 503; 504; 3661.

■ 2. Add new § 3001.44 to read as follows:

##### § 3001.44 Automatic Closure of Inactive Docket.

(a) The Commission shall automatically close a docket in which there has been no activity of record by any interested party or participant for 12 consecutive months.

(b) *Motion to stay automatic closure.* Any interested party or participant, including the Postal Service, a Public Representative, or the Commission, may file a motion to stay automatic closure, pursuant to § 3001.21, and request that the docket remain open for a specified term not to exceed 12 months. Motions to stay automatic closure must be filed at least 10 days prior to the automatic closure date.

(c) *Motion to reopen automatically closed docket.* If, at any time after a docket has been automatically closed, any interested party or participant, including the Postal Service, a Public Representative, or the Commission, may file a motion to reopen an automatically closed docket, pursuant to § 3001.21, and must set forth with particularity good cause for reopening the docket.

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#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

##### 40 CFR Part 704

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2010-0572; FRL-9926-86]

#### Chemical Substances When Manufactured or Processed as Nanoscale Materials; TSCA Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements; Notice of Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is holding a public meeting during the comment period of the proposed rule that published in the *Federal Register* of April 6, 2015, which involved proposed reporting and recordkeeping requirements for certain chemical substances when they are manufactured or processed at the nanoscale. Specifically, that proposal involves one-time reporting for existing nanoscale materials and one-time reporting for new discrete nanoscale materials before they are manufactured or processed. As stated in that proposed rule, the public meeting will provide an opportunity for further discussion of the proposed requirements and is intended to facilitate comments on all aspects of that proposed rule, especially comments on specific issues as identified in the proposed rule.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on June 11, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Requests to participate in the meeting must be received on or before June 1, 2015.

To request accommodation of a disability, please contact the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the East William Jefferson Clinton Building, Room 1153, 1201 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** *For technical information contact:* Jim Alwood, Chemical Control Division (7405M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-8974; email address: [alwood.jim@epa.gov](mailto:alwood.jim@epa.gov).

*For general information contact:* The TSCA-Hotline, ABVI-Goodwill, 422 South Clinton Ave., Rochester, NY 14620; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; email address: [TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov](mailto:TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. What is the topic of this public meeting?

In the *Federal Register* issue of April 6, 2015 (80 FR 18330; FRL-9920-90), EPA proposed reporting and recordkeeping requirements for certain chemical substances when they are manufactured or processed at the nanoscale. EPA is seeking public comment on all aspects of the proposed rule. In addition, EPA is especially interested in comments pertaining to the following specific issues identified in Unit V. of the proposed rule:

1. Identifying the chemical substances that would be subject to reporting.
2. Distinguishing between nanoscale forms of a reportable chemical substance.
3. Reporting discrete forms at least 135 days before commencement of manufacture or processing.
4. Considerations for the Agency's economic analysis.
5. Electronic reporting.
6. Consideration of potential future rulemaking regarding periodic reporting.

##### II. How can I request to participate in this meeting?

Requests to participate in this meeting, as well as any requests for accommodation of a disability, should be submitted directly to the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Do not submit any information in your request that is considered Confidential Business Information (CBI), and do not submit any comments. Such requests must be received on or before June 1, 2015.

Please remember that your comments must be submitted in accordance with the instructions in the proposed rule; must be identified by docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2010-0572; and must be received on or before July 6, 2015.

##### III. How can I access the docket for the Proposed Rule?

The docket for the proposed rule, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2010-0572, is available at <http://www.regulations.gov> or at the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics Docket (OPPT Docket), Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), West William Jefferson Clinton Bldg., Rm. 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 OPPT Docket is (202) 566-0280. Please review the visitor instructions and additional