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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

5 CFR Part 890

Access to Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) for Employees of Certain Indian Tribal Employers

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Final rule; delay of the effective date.

SUMMARY: This rule delays the effective date of the final rule titled, *Access to Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) for Employees of Certain Indian Tribal Employers*, published in the **Federal Register** on December 28, 2016, to a date 60 days from January 20, 2017. **DATES:** The effective date for the rule amending 5 CFR part 890 published at 81 FR 95397, December 28, 2016, is delayed until March 21, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Padma Shah, Policy Analysis Group by telephone (202) 606-0004.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 28, 2016, OPM published a rule, titled *Access to Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) for Employees of Certain Indian Tribal Employers* (81 FR 95397), with an effective date of February 27, 2017. On January 20, 2017, the White House distributed a Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies, titled *Regulatory Freeze Pending Review* (82 FR 8346, Jan. 24, 2017), from Reince Priebus, Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff. Pursuant to the memorandum, an agency was required to temporarily postpone, to a date 60 days from the date of the memorandum, the effective date of any rule, not excluded from the scope of the memorandum or otherwise excepted, that had been published in the **Federal Register** but had not yet taken effect. The rule referenced above, *Access to*

Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) for Employees of Certain Indian Tribal Employers, falls within the scope of the January 20, 2017, memorandum. As a result, the purpose of this rule is to perform the required action of postponing the effective date of this rule to March 21, 2017.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Kathleen McGettigan,

Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

7 CFR Parts 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, and 285

[FNS 2011-0008]

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Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP): Eligibility, Certification, and Employment and Training Provisions of the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008; Extension of Effective Dates and Comment Period

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Final rule and interim final rule; delay of effective dates and extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: Consistent with the memorandum of January 20, 2017, to the heads of executive departments and agencies from the Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff entitled "Regulatory Freeze Pending Review", the Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is extending the effective dates and comment period for this rule, which was published January 6, 2017 and implements provisions of the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008 (FCEA) affecting the eligibility, benefits, certification, and employment and training (E&T) requirements for applicant or participant households in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

DATES:

Effective dates: The effective date for the final rule published on January 6,

2017 (82 FR 2010) is delayed to May 8, 2017. The effective date for the amendments to 7 CFR 273.11(e) and 273.11(f), which were issued as an interim final rule, is delayed to June 5, 2017. The effective date for the amendments to 7 CFR 273.2(c)(1)(v) is delayed to March 9, 2018.

Comment date: FNS will consider comments from the public on the amendments to 7 CFR 273.11(e) and 273.11(f). Comments must be received at one of the addresses provided below. The comment date has been extended from March 7, 2017, to April 6, 2017.

ADDRESSES: FNS invites interested persons to submit comments on the interim rule provisions at 7 CFR 273.11(e) and 273.11(f). Comments may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- *Federal e-Rulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Preferred method; follow the online instructions for submitting comments on docket FNS 2011-0008.

- *Fax:* Submit comments by facsimile transmission to: Sasha Gersten-Paal, Certification Policy Branch, Fax number 703-305-2486.

- *Mail:* Comments should be addressed to Sasha Gersten-Paal, Certification Policy Branch, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* Deliver comments to Sasha Gersten-Paal, Certification Policy Branch, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

All comments submitted in response to the interim rule provision will be included in the record and will be made available to the public. Please be advised that the substance of the comments and the identity of the individuals or entities submitting the comments will be subject to public disclosure. FNS will make the comments publicly available on the Internet via <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sasha Gersten-Paal, Branch Chief, Certification Policy Branch, Program Development Division, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 810, Alexandria, Virginia, 22302, (703) 305-2507, sasha.gersten-paal@fns.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Consistent with the memorandum of January 20, 2017, to the heads of executive departments and agencies from the