

with the Chief. The request shall state the reasons for appeal and may be accompanied by a copy of any previous official report, or any other information that the applicant may have received regarding the product at the time of the original service. Such request may be made orally (including by telephone) or in writing (including by email). If made orally, the person receiving the request may require that it be confirmed in writing.

(c) *Determining original service from appeal service.* Examination requested to determine the class, grade, other quality, or compliance of a product that has been altered or has undergone a material change since the original service, or examination of product requested for the purpose of obtaining an official memorandum and not involving any question as to the correctness of the original service for the product involved shall be considered equivalent to original service and not appeal service.

(d) *Not eligible for appeal service.* Grade determinations cannot be appealed for any lot or product consisting of less than 10 similar units or carcasses. Moreover, appeal service will not be furnished with respect to product that has been altered or has undergone any material change since the original service.

(e) *Withdrawal of appeal service.* A request for appeal service may be withdrawn by the applicant at any time before the appeal service has been performed; however, the applicant is responsible for payment of any expenses incurred by the Branch towards providing the appeal service prior to withdrawal.

(f) *Denial or withdrawal of appeal service.* A request for appeal service may be rejected or such service may be otherwise denied to or withdrawn from any person, without a hearing, in accordance with the procedure set forth in § 54.11(b), if it appears that the person or product involved is not eligible for appeal service under § 54.19(a) and (b), or that the identity of the product has been lost; or for any of the causes set forth in § 54.11(b). Appeal service may also be denied to, or withdrawn from, any person in any case under § 54.11(a).

(g) *Who performs appeal service.* Appeal service shall be performed by the National Meat Supervisor or his or her designee.

(h) *Appeal service report.* Immediately after appeal service has been performed for any products, a report shall be prepared and issued referring specifically to the original findings and stating the class, grade,

other quality, or compliance of the products as shown by the appeal service.

■ 20. Revise § 54.20 to read as follows:

§ 54.20 Exemptions.

Any exemption to the regulations must be approved by the Director. Exemptions may include but are not limited to:

(a) Grading the meat of animals in other than carcass form if the class, grade, and other quality attributes may be determined under the applicable standards.

(b) Grading in an establishment other than where the animal was slaughtered or initially chilled if the class, grade, and other quality attributes can be determined under the applicable standards, and if the identity of the carcasses can be maintained.

(c) If the Branch is unable to provide grading service in a timely manner and the meat can be identified in conformance with the standards.

(d) Grading in the establishment other than where the hide is removed, provided the meat can be identified in conformance with the standards.

(e) Grading meat of imported animals, provided:

(1) The imported meat is marked so that the name of the country of origin is conspicuous to the USDA grader. The mark of foreign origin shall be imprinted by roller brand, handstamp, tag, or other approved method.

(2) The imprints of the mark of foreign origin have been submitted to the Chief for the determination of compliance with these regulations prior to use on meats offered for Federal grading.

(3) The applicant notifies the official grader performing the service whenever imported meat is offered for grading.

(f) For good cause and provided that the meat can be identified in conformance with the standards.

§§ 54.21–54.26 [Removed and reserved]

■ 21. Remove and reserve §§ 54.21 through 54.26.

§ 54.30 [Removed and reserved]

■ 22. Remove and reserve § 54.30.

■ 23. Revise § 54.31 to read as follows:

§ 54.31 OMB control number.

The information collection and recordkeeping requirements of this part have been approved by OMB under 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35 and have been assigned OMB Control Number 0581–0128.

Dated: January 29, 2019.

Bruce Summers,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

10 CFR Part 431

[EERE–2018–BT–STD–0003]

Appliance Standards and Rulemaking Federal Advisory Committee: Notification of Public Meetings for the Variable Refrigerant Flow Multi-Split Air Conditioners and Heat Pumps Working Group To Negotiate a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for Test Procedures and Energy Conservation Standards

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notification of public meetings and webinar.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE or the Department) announces public meetings for the variable refrigerant flow multi-split air conditioners and heat pumps (VRF multi-split systems) working group. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) requires that agencies publish notice of an advisory committee meeting in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: DOE will hold a public meeting on Thursday, February 21, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Friday, February 22, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Washington, DC. The meetings will also be broadcast as a webinar.

ADDRESSES: The public meetings will be held at Federal Mediation & Conciliation Services, Room 7008, 250 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20427. Please see the PUBLIC PARTICIPATION section of this notification for additional information on attending the public meeting, including webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Cymbalsky, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Building Technologies (EE–5B), 950 L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20024. Telephone: (202) 287–1692. Email: ASRAC@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 10, 2018, the Appliance Standards and Rulemaking Federal Advisory Committee (ASRAC) met and passed the recommendation to form a VRF multi-split systems working group to meet and discuss and, if possible, reach a consensus on proposed Federal test procedures and standards for VRF multi-split systems. On April 11, 2018, DOE published a notification of intent to establish a working group for VRF multi-split systems to negotiate a notice

of proposed rulemaking for test procedures and energy conservation standards. That notification also solicited nominations for membership to the working group. (83 FR 15514) This notification announces the next round of meetings for this working group.

DOE will host a public meeting and webinar on Thursday, February 21, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Friday, February 22, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Washington, DC.

The purpose of these meetings will be to negotiate in an attempt to reach consensus on proposed Federal test procedures and energy conservation standards for VRF multi-split systems.

Public Participation

Attendance at the Public Meeting

The time, date, and location of the public meeting are listed in the **DATES** and **ADDRESSES** sections of this document. If you plan to attend the public meeting, please notify the ASRAC staff at asrac@ee.doe.gov.

Due to the REAL ID Act implemented by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), there have been recent changes regarding ID requirements for individuals wishing to enter Federal buildings from specific States and U.S. territories. DHS maintains an updated website identifying the State and territory driver's licenses that currently are acceptable for entry into DOE facilities at <https://www.dhs.gov/real-id-enforcement-brief>. A driver's license from a State or territory identified as not compliant by DHS will not be accepted for building entry, and one of the alternate forms of ID listed below will be required. Acceptable alternate forms of Photo-ID include U.S. Passport or Passport Card; an Enhanced Driver's License or Enhanced ID-Card issued by States and territories as identified on the DHS website (Enhanced licenses issued by these States and territories are clearly marked Enhanced or Enhanced Driver's License); a military ID or other Federal government-issued Photo-ID card.

In addition, you can attend the public meeting via webinar. Webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants will be published on DOE's website: <https://energy.gov/eere/buildings/appliance-standards-and-rulemaking-federal-advisory-committee>. Participants are responsible for ensuring their systems are compatible with the webinar software.

Procedure for Submitting Prepared General Statements for Distribution

Any person who has plans to present a prepared general statement may request that copies of his or her statement be made available at the public meeting. Such persons may submit requests, along with an advance electronic copy of their statement in PDF (preferred), Microsoft Word or Excel, WordPerfect, or text (ASCII) file format, to the appropriate address shown in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notification. The request and advance copy of statements must be received at least one week before the public meeting and may be emailed, hand-delivered, or sent by postal mail. DOE prefers to receive requests and advance copies via email. Please include a telephone number to enable DOE staff to make a follow-up contact, if needed.

Conduct of the Public Meeting

ASRAC's Designated Federal Officer will preside at the public meeting and may also use a professional facilitator to aid discussion. The meeting will not be a judicial or evidentiary-type public hearing, but DOE will conduct it in accordance with section 336 of EPCA (42 U.S.C. 6306). A court reporter will be present to record the proceedings and prepare a transcript. A transcript of the public meeting will be included on DOE's website: <https://energy.gov/eere/buildings/appliance-standards-and-rulemaking-federal-advisory-committee>. In addition, any person may buy a copy of the transcript from the transcribing reporter. Public comment and statements will be allowed prior to the close of the meeting.

Docket

The docket is available for review at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket?D=EERE-2018-BT-STD-0003>, including **Federal Register** notices, public meeting attendee lists and transcripts, comments, and other supporting documents/materials. All documents in the docket are listed in the <https://regulations.gov> index. However, not all documents listed in the index may be publically available, such as information that is exempt from public disclosure.

Signed in Washington, DC, on January 18, 2019.

Steven Chalk,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

12 CFR Parts 365 and 390

RIN 3064-AE22

Removal of Transferred OTS Regulations Regarding Lending and Investment; and Conforming Amendments to Other Regulation

AGENCY: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: In order to streamline FDIC regulations and reduce regulatory burden, the FDIC proposes to rescind and remove from the Code of Federal Regulations rules entitled "Lending and Investment" (part 390, subpart P) that were transferred to the FDIC from the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) on July 21, 2011, in connection with the implementation of Title III of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act); amend certain sections of existing FDIC regulations governing real estate lending standards to make it clear that such rules apply to all insured depository institutions for which the FDIC is the appropriate Federal banking agency; and amend part 365 by rescinding in its entirety the subpart concerning registration requirements for residential mortgage loan originators because supervision and rulemaking authority in this area was transferred to the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau) by the Dodd-Frank Act.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 8, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- **FDIC Website:** <http://www.fdic.gov/regulations/laws/federal/> Follow instructions for submitting comments on the agency website.

- **FDIC Email:** Comments@fdic.gov. Include RIN 3064-AE22 on the subject line of the message.

- **FDIC Mail:** Robert E. Feldman, Executive Secretary, Attention: Comments, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20429.

- **Hand Delivery to FDIC:** Comments may be hand-delivered to the guard station at the rear of the 550 17th Street Building (located on F Street) on business days between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Please include your name, affiliation, address, email address, and telephone number(s) in your comment. All statements received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record