PART 959—[REMOVED]

1. Part 959 is removed.

PART 980—VEGETABLES; IMPORT REGULATIONS

2. The authority citation for 7 CFR part 980 continues to read as follows:

3. In §980.117, revise paragraphs (a) and (b) to read as follows:

§ 980.117 Import regulations; onions.

(a) Findings and determinations with respect to onions.

(1) Under section 8e of the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended (7 U.S.C. 601–674), it is hereby found that:
   (i) Grade, size, quality, and maturity regulations have been issued regularly under Marketing Order No. 958, as amended;
   (ii) The marketing of onions can be reasonably distinguished by the seasonal categories, i.e., late summer and early spring. The bulk of the late summer crop is harvested and placed in storage in late summer and early fall and marketed over a period of several months extending into the following spring. But the onions harvested from the early spring crop are generally marketed as soon as the onions are harvested. The marketing seasons for these crops overlap;
   (iii) Concurrent grade, size, quality, and maturity regulations under the marketing order are expected in future seasons, as in the past.

(2) Therefore, it is hereby determined that: Imports of onions during the June 5 through March 9 period, and the entire year for imports of pearl and cipolline varieties of onions, are in most direct competition with the marketing of onions produced in designated counties in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon.

§ 980.117 Import regulations; onions.

(b) Grade, size, quality, and maturity requirements. On and after the effective date hereof no person may import onions as defined herein unless they are inspected and meet the following requirements: During the period June 5 through March 9 of each marketing year, and the entire year for pearl and cipolline onions, whenever onions grown in designated counties in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon, are regulated under Marketing Order No. 958, imported onions shall comply with the grade, size, quality, and maturity requirements imposed under that order.

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Erin Morris, Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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10 CFR Part 72

[NRC–2021–0052]

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List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: NAC International NAC–UMS® Universal Storage System, Certificate of Compliance No. 1015, Amendment No. 8

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is proposing to amend its spent fuel storage regulations by revising the NAC International NAC–UMS® Universal Storage System listing within the “List of approved spent fuel storage casks” to include Amendment No. 8 to Certificate of Compliance No. 1015. Amendment No. 8 revises the certificate of compliance to add the storage of damaged boiling-water reactor spent fuel, including higher enrichment and higher burnup spent fuel; change the allowable fuel burnup range; expand the boiling-water reactor class 5 fuel inventory that could be stored in the cask; and revise definitions in the technical specifications.

DATES: Submit comments by September 7, 2021. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID NRC–2021–0052, at https://www.regulations.gov. If your material cannot be submitted using https://www.regulations.gov, call or email the individuals listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document for alternate instructions.

For additional direction on obtaining information and submitting comments, see “Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments” in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.


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I. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

A. Obtaining Information

Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2021–0052 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly available information related to this action by any of the following methods:


For technical questions contact the individuals listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.

• NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS): You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. For the convenience of the reader, instructions about obtaining materials referenced in this document are provided in the “Availability of Documents” section.

• Attention: The PDR, where you may examine and order copies of public documents, is currently closed. You may submit your request to the PDR via email at pdr.resource@nrc.gov or call 1–800–397–4209 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (EST), Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID NRC–2021–0052 in your comment submission. The NRC requests that you submit comments through the Federal rulemaking website.
The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC will post all comment submissions at https://www.regulations.gov as well as enter the comment submissions into ADAMS. The NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment into ADAMS.

II. Rulemaking Procedure

Because the NRC considers this action to be non-controversial, the NRC is publishing this proposed rule concurrently with a direct final rule in the Rules and Regulations section of this issue of the Federal Register. The direct final rule will become effective on October 19, 2021. However, if the NRC receives any significant adverse comment by September 7, 2021, then the NRC will publish a document that withdraws the direct final rule. If the direct final rule is withdrawn, the NRC will address the comments in a subsequent final rule. Absent significant modifications to the proposed revisions requiring republication, the NRC will not initiate a second comment period on this action in the event the direct final rule is withdrawn.

A significant adverse comment is a comment where the commenter explains why the rule would be inappropriate, including challenges to the rule’s underlying premise or approach, or would be ineffective or unacceptable without a change. A comment is adverse and significant if:

(1) The comment opposes the rule and provides a reason sufficient to require a substantive response in a notice-and-comment process. For example, a substantive response is required when:

(a) The comment causes the NRC to reevaluate (or reconsider) its position or conduct additional analysis;

(b) The comment raises an issue serious enough to warrant a substantive response to clarify or complete the record; or

(c) The comment raises a relevant issue that was not previously addressed or considered by the NRC.

(2) The comment proposes a change or an addition to the rule, and it is apparent that the rule would be ineffective or unacceptable without incorporation of the change or addition.

(3) The comment causes the NRC to make a change (other than editorial) to the rule, certificate of compliance, or technical specifications.

For a more detailed discussion of the proposed rule changes and associated analyses, see the direct final rule published in the Rules and Regulations section of this issue of the Federal Register.

III. Background

Section 218(a) of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended, requires that “[t]he Secretary [of the Department of Energy] shall establish a demonstration program, in cooperation with the private sector, for the dry storage of spent nuclear fuel at civilian nuclear power reactor sites, with the objective of establishing one or more technologies that the [Nuclear Regulatory] Commission may, by rule, approve for use at the sites of civilian nuclear power reactors without, to the maximum extent practicable, the need for additional site-specific approvals by the Commission.” Section 133 of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act states, in part, that “[t]he Commission shall, by rule, establish procedures for the licensing of any technology approved by the Commission under section 219(a) [sic: 218(a)] for use at the site of any civilian nuclear power reactor.”

To implement this mandate, the Commission approved dry storage of spent nuclear fuel in NRC-approved casks under a general license by publishing a final rule that added a new subpart K in part 72 of title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) entitled “General License for Storage of Spent Fuel at Power Reactor Sites” (55 FR 29181; July 18, 1990). This rule also established a new subpart L in 10 CFR part 72 entitled “Approval of Spent Fuel Storage Casks,” which contains procedures and criteria for obtaining NRC approval of spent fuel storage cask designs. The casks approved for use under the terms, conditions, and specifications of their certificate of compliance or an amended certificate of compliance pursuant to this general license are listed in §72.214. The NRC subsequently issued a final rule on October 19, 2000 (65 FR 62581), that approved the NAC International NAC–UMS® Universal Storage System and added it to the list of NRC-approved cask designs in §72.214 as Certificate of Compliance No. 1015.

The NAC International NAC–UMS® Universal Storage System consists of the following components: (1) Transportable storage canister (TSC), which contains the spent fuel; (2) vertical concrete cask, which contains the TSC during storage; and (3) a transfer cask, which contains the TSC during loading, unloading, and transfer operations. Amendment No. 8 revises the certificate of compliance to (1) add the storage of damaged boiling-water reactor spent fuel, including higher enrichment and higher burnup spent fuel; (2) change the allowable fuel burnup range; and (3) expand the boiling-water reactor class 5 fuel inventory that could be stored in the cask; and (4) change definitions in the technical specifications that are associated with the contents of the spent nuclear fuel stored in the cask (e.g., high burnup fuel and initial peak planar-average enrichment).

IV. Plain Writing

The Plain Writing Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111–274) requires Federal agencies to write documents in a clear, concise, and well-organized manner. The NRC has written this document to be consistent with the Plain Writing Act as well as the Presidential Memorandum, “Plain Language in Government Writing,” published June 10, 1998 (63 FR 31885). The NRC requests comment on the proposed rule with respect to clarity and effectiveness of the language used.

V. Availability of Documents

The documents identified in the following table are available to interested persons, as indicated.
The NRC may post materials related to this document, including public comments, on the Federal Rulemaking website at https://www.regulations.gov under Docket ID NRC–2021–0052.

Dated: July 26, 2021.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Margaret M. Doane, Executive Director for Operations.

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**FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION**

**11 CFR Parts 104 and 109**

[Notice 2021–11]

Rulemaking Petition: Subvendor Reporting

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.

**ACTION:** Rulemaking Petition: Notification of availability.

**SUMMARY:** On June 29, 2021, the Federal Election Commission received a Petition for rulemaking asking the Commission to amend its existing regulations regarding reporting expenditures and certain other disbursements. The proposed amendments would require political committees and persons who make independent expenditures and electioneering communications to itemize certain payments made by vendors to others on behalf of the reporting entities.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 4, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments must be in writing. Commenters may submit comments electronically via the Commission’s website at http://federalregister.gov/fosers/, reference REG 2021–02.

Each commenter must provide, at a minimum, his or her first name, last name, city, and state. All properly submitted comments, including attachments, will become part of the public record, and the Commission will make comments available for public viewing on the Commission’s website and in the Commission’s Public Records Office. Accordingly, commenters should not provide in their comments any information that they do not wish to make public, such as a home street address, personal email address, date of birth, phone number, social security number, or driver’s license number, or any information that is restricted from disclosure, such as trade secrets or commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert M. Knop, Assistant General Counsel, or Ms. Joanna S. Waldstreicher, Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, at subvendorreporting@fec.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 29, 2021, the Commission received a Petition for Rulemaking from the Campaign Legal Center and the Center on Science & Technology Policy at Duke University ("Petition"). The Petition asks the Commission to amend its regulations at 11 CFR 104.3(b), 109.10(e), and 104.20(c), to require that persons filing reports under those sections itemize all expenditures or disbursements made on behalf of or for the benefit of the political committee or other reporting person, including those made by an agent, independent contractor, vendor, or subvendor.

The Federal Election Campaign Act (the “Act”) and Commission regulations require that political committees disclose the name and address of each person to whom expenditures or certain other disbursements aggregating over $200 are made, as well as certain information about each expenditure or disbursement. 52 U.S.C. 30104(b)(5)(A), (b)(6)(B)(v); 11 CFR 104.3(b)(3)(i), (b)(4)(i). The Act and Commission regulations also require that disbursements aggregating over $200 for independent expenditures and electioneering communications similarly be disclosed. 52 U.S.C. 30104(b)(6)(B)(iii), (c)(2)(A); 11 CFR 109.10(e)(1)(ii–iii) (independent expenditures); 52 U.S.C. 30104(f)(2)(C); 11 CFR 104.20(o)(4) (electioneering communications).

The Petition notes that “if a disclosed vendor subcontracts with a third party, the payment to the subcontractor might not be disclosed,” Petition at 1, and asserts that “a substantial portion of FEC-reported political spending now consists of large payments to a small number of consulting firms that disguise where political money is ultimately going.” Petition at 3. The Petition asserts that this lack of disclosure about the ultimate recipients and purposes of political spending has a number of negative consequences: it “deprives voters of information they use to assess candidates and cast informed votes,” Petition at 4; it “becomes nearly impossible for researchers and academics to monitor digital political ad practices,” id.; it allows reporting entities to “disguise FECA violations, such as violations of the personal use ban” and “evidence of common vendor coordination between an authorized committee and a super PAC,” Petition at 5; and it can “provide further cover for so-called ‘scam PACs,’” Petition at 6.

The Petition asks the Commission to amend 11 CFR 104.3(b) to require additional disclosure by political committees, by adding a new subparagraph (5) that reads:

(5)(i) Any person reporting expenditures or disbursements under this section must report expenditures or disbursements made by an agent or independent contractor, including any vendor or subvendor, on behalf of or for the benefit of the reporting person.

(ii) An agent or contractor, including a vendor or subvendor, who makes an expenditure or disbursement on behalf of or for the benefit of a reporting committee or person that is required to be reported under this section shall promptly make known to the reporting committee or person all the information required for reporting the expenditure or disbursement.

Petition at 6–7.

The Petition also asks the Commission to amend sections