

U.S.C. 4801–4852). ECRA provides the legal basis for BIS's principal authorities and serves as the authority under which BIS issues this rule. In particular, and as noted elsewhere, Section 1753 of ECRA (50 U.S.C. 4812) authorizes the regulation of exports, reexports, and transfers (in-country) of items subject to U.S. jurisdiction. Further, Section 1754(a)(1)–(16) of ECRA (50 U.S.C. 4813(a)(1)–(16)) authorizes, *inter alia*, the establishment of a list of controlled items; the prohibition of unauthorized exports, reexports, and transfers (in-country); the requirement of licenses or other authorizations for exports, reexports, and transfers (in-country) of controlled items; apprising the public of changes in policy, regulations, and procedures; and any other action necessary to carry out ECRA that is not otherwise prohibited by law. Pursuant to Section 1762(a) of ECRA (50 U.S.C. 4821(a)), these changes can be imposed in a final rule without prior notice and comment.

#### Rulemaking Requirements

1. This final rule has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866. This final rule is not a regulatory action pursuant to E.O. 14192 because it is not a significant rule under E.O. 12866.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) (PRA), unless that collection of information displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Control Number. This rule involves the following OMB-approved collections of information subject to the PRA:

- 0694–0088, “Simple Network Application Process and Multipurpose Application Form,” which carries a burden hour estimate of 29.7 minutes for a manual or electronic submission;
- 0694–0096 “Five Year Records Retention Period,” which carries a burden hour estimate of less than 1 minute; and
- 0607–0152 “Automated Export System (AES) Program,” which carries a burden hour estimate of 3 minutes per electronic submission.

BIS estimates that these new removal of these entities from the VEU program under the EAR will result in the submission of an additional 1,000 license applications annually, which would be an increase of 495 burden hours. This burden hour increase is within existing estimates for these

collections. Additional information regarding these collections of information—including all background materials—can be found at: <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> by using the search function to enter either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number.

3. This rule does not contain policies with federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

4. Pursuant to section 1762 of the Export Control Reform Act of 2018, this action is exempt from the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553) requirements for notice of proposed rulemaking, opportunity for public participation, and delay in effective date.

5. Because a notice of proposed rulemaking and an opportunity for public comment are not required to be given for this rule by 5 U.S.C. 553, or by any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, are not applicable. Accordingly, no regulatory flexibility analysis is required, and none has been prepared.

#### List of Subjects in 15 CFR Part 748

Administrative practice and procedure, Exports, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

For the reasons stated in the preamble, part 748 of the EAR (15 CFR parts 730 through 774) is amended as follows:

#### PART 748—APPLICATIONS (CLASSIFICATION, ADVISORY, AND LICENSE) AND DOCUMENTATION

- 1. The authority citation for part 748 is revised to read as follows:

**Authority:** 50 U.S.C. 4801–4852; 50 U.S.C. 4601 *et seq.*; 50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*; E.O. 13026, 61 FR 58767, 3 CFR, 1996 Comp., p. 228.

#### Supplement No. 7 to Part 748—[Amended]

- 2. Amend supplement no. 7 to part 748 by removing the entries for “Intel Semiconductor (Dalian) Ltd”, “Samsung China Semiconductor Co. Ltd”, and “SK hynix Semiconductor (China) Ltd” under “China (People’s Republic of)”.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

**20 CFR Parts 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, and 672**

[Docket No. ETA–2025–0001]

RIN 1205–AC26

### Rescission of Workforce Investment Act Regulations

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Direct final rule; confirmation of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) of the Department of Labor (Department) is confirming the effective date of September 2, 2025, for the direct final rule that was published in the **Federal Register** on July 1, 2025. This direct final rule removes the regulations that implemented and governed the Title I Workforce Investment Act (WIA) programs at the national, State, and local levels and provided program requirements applicable to all WIA formula and competitive funds. Title I of WIA was repealed by Congress with the enactment of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) on June 22, 2014, and all remaining grant funding under WIA Title I has been closed out by the Department. Accordingly, these regulations are no longer necessary, and the Department is removing the regulations from the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) for programs that are no longer operative.

**DATES:** Effective date: The effective date of September 2, 2025, for the direct final rule published July 1, 2025, (90 FR 27992), is confirmed.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID ETA–2025–0001 when contacting the Department about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by visiting <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID ETA–2025–0001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Luke Murren, Acting Administrator, Office of Policy Development and Research, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room N–5641, Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693–3700 (this is not a toll-free number). For people with a hearing or speech disability who need assistance using the telephone system, please dial

711 to access telecommunications relay services.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On July 1, 2025, (90 FR 27992), the Department published a direct final rule removing its regulations in parts 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, and 672 of title 20 of the CFR programs that are no longer operative. In the direct final rule, the Department stated that, if no significant adverse comments were received, then the direct final rule would become effective on September 2, 2025. Comments from the public were due on July 31, 2025, and were posted publicly in Docket ID ETA–2025–0001 on [www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov).

The Department received one comment opposed to the removal of the WIA regulations, but the comment did not meet the criteria to be considered a significant adverse comment to the removal of these regulations. The commenter argued for retaining the WIA regulations in the CFR, largely for historical purposes and preserving access to the regulations. Users can access the *Workforce Investment Act* final rule at <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2000-08-11/pdf/00-19985.pdf>. The final rule was published on August 11, 2000 (65 FR 49294) in the **Federal Register**, and previous editions of the **Federal Register** are available online at the [www.federalregister.gov](https://www.federalregister.gov) website.

Additionally, the CFR is the codification of the general and permanent rules published in the **Federal Register** by the departments and agencies of the Federal Government. The Electronic Code of Federal Regulations (eCFR) is a point-in-time system that allows users to browse the CFR as it existed at any point in time since January 2017. The [www.ecfr.gov](https://www.ecfr.gov) website allows users to view parts after they have been removed from the CFR by viewing a point in time in the eCFR prior to the parts' removal. Paper copies of the CFR are also available for purchase through the Government Publication Office bookstore.<sup>1</sup>

Parties who are interested in the history of regulations have several ways to access these changes over time. As noted in the *Rescission of Workforce Investment Act Regulations*; direct final rule (DFR) (herein, *Rescission DFR*), WIA was repealed by WIOA. In the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the WIOA regulations (80 FR 20690), the Department discussed the major changes in the WIOA regulations from

the WIA regulations in III. B. of the background section. The public was invited to comment on the proposed WIOA regulations during a 60-day comment period. To assist the public with understanding the changes from WIA to WIOA, the WIOA final rule (81 FR 56072) contained a crosswalk of WIA and WIOA regulations by subject matter in Table 1, allowing users to clearly see which part of the WIOA regulations correspond with which part of the WIA regulations.

As the WIOA final rule is contained in the **Federal Register**, the regulatory history of WIA and WIOA is already preserved. The CFR is not the appropriate venue for maintaining outdated regulations for a repealed law. The commenter suggested that these regulations must be preserved in the CFR for oversight, program equity, and accountability, but did not state why the current CFR is the appropriate venue for maintaining regulations that are no longer in effect. As noted above, the foundation for the current WIOA regulations is well captured in other documents, including the WIOA final rule.

The commenter stated that WIA continues to have bearing on litigation, audits, performance monitoring, and congressional oversight, but did not specify any current litigation, audits, performance monitoring, or congressional oversight that references the WIA regulations. The Department is unaware of any instance in which the WIA regulations are currently applicable. Finally, the commenter discussed the need for the public to be able to comment on the rescission of the WIA regulations. In addition to the 60-day comment period in 2015 associated with the promulgation of the WIOA regulations, the *Rescission DFR* provided 30-days for the public to provide substantive, significant adverse comments in opposition to the removal of the WIA regulations. This commenter availed themselves of the opportunity to comment during the open comment period to provide input on the rescission.

A significant adverse comment<sup>2</sup> is one which explains why the rule would be inappropriate, including challenges to the rule's underlying premise or approach, or why it would be ineffective or unacceptable without a change. This comment is not a significant adverse

comment as it does not indicate a reason why removing these regulations from the CFR would be inappropriate or how removal would have consequences for the administration of Departmental programs. Therefore, the direct final rule will become effective as scheduled.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 63

[EPA–HQ–OAR–2023–0509; FRL–11651–04–OAR]

**RIN 2060–AW56**

### National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for the Polyether Polyols Production Industry: Removal of Affirmative Defense

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is finalizing amendments to the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Polyether Polyols (PEPO) Production under the Clean Air Act (CAA). Specifically, for this NESHAP, the EPA is finalizing the removal of affirmative defense provisions associated with the violation of air emission standards due to malfunctions.

**DATES:** This final rule is effective on September 2, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** The EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2023–0509. All documents in the docket are listed on the <https://www.regulations.gov> website. Although listed, some information is not publicly available, e.g., Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the internet and will be publicly available only as pdf versions that can only be accessed on the EPA computers in the docket office reading room. Certain databases and physical items cannot be downloaded from the docket but may be requested by contacting the docket office at (202) 566–1744. The docket office has up to 10 business days to respond to these requests. Except for such material, publicly available docket

<sup>1</sup> CFR Title 20 Pts. 657–END, <https://bookstore.gpo.gov/products/cfr-title-20-pts-657-end-code-federal-regulations-2024>. Accessed July 31, 2025.

<sup>2</sup> Administrative Conference of the United States, “Procedures for Noncontroversial and Expedited Rulemaking”, Recommendation by the Committee on Regulation, January 15, 1995. Accessed on August 1, 2025, at: <https://www.acus.gov/document/procedures-noncontroversial-and-expedited-rulemaking>.