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For the reasons stated in the preamble, the Department of Veterans Affairs amends 38 CFR part 17 as set forth below:

## PART 17—MEDICAL

- 1. The authority citation for part 17 continues to read, in part, as follows:

**Authority:** 38 U.S.C. 501, and as noted in specific sections.

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- 2. Amend § 17.38 by revising paragraph (c)(1) and removing paragraphs (c)(1)(i) and (ii) to read as follows:

### § 17.38 Medical Benefits Package.

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(c) \* \* \*

(1) Abortions and abortion counseling.

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- 3. Amend § 17.272 by:

- a. Revising paragraph (a)(58).
- b. Removing paragraphs (a)(58)(i) and (ii).

- c. Adding paragraph (a)(78).

The revision and addition read as follows:

### § 17.272 Benefits limitations/exclusions.

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(a) \* \* \*

(58) Abortions, except when a physician certifies that the life of the mother would be endangered if the fetus were carried to term.

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(78) Abortion counseling.

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## POSTAL SERVICE

### 39 CFR Part 111

#### Claims Filing Date for Insured Mail

**AGENCY:** Postal Service.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Postal Service is amending the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®) subsection 609.1.4 to change the claims filing date for insured mail.

**DATES:** Effective Date: January 18, 2026.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 26, 2025, the Postal Service published a notice of proposed rulemaking (90 FR 54247–54248) to change the claims filing date for insured mail. The Postal Service did not receive any formal comments.

The Postal Service is re-establishing the “No Sooner Than” filing date of 15 days for filing insured mail claims to realign the filing thresholds with other mail service and bulk claims.

The Postal Service adopts the described changes to *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM), incorporated by reference in the *Code of Federal Regulations*. We will publish an appropriate amendment to 39 CFR part 111 to reflect these changes.

#### List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 111

Administrative practice and procedure, Postal Service.

Accordingly, the Postal Service amends *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM), incorporated by reference in the *Code of Federal Regulations* as follows (see 39 CFR 111.1):

## PART 111—GENERAL INFORMATION ON POSTAL SERVICE

- 1. The authority citation for 39 CFR part 111 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 13 U.S.C. 301-307; 18 U.S.C. 1692-1737; 39 U.S.C. 101, 401-404, 414, 416, 3001-3018, 3201-3220, 3401-3406, 3621, 3622, 3626, 3629, 3631-3633, 3641, 3681-3685, and 5001.

- 2. Revise *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM) as follows:

#### Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)

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#### 600 Basic Standards for All Mailing Services

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#### 609 Filing Indemnity Claims for Loss or Damage

##### 1.0 General Filing Instructions

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##### 1.4 When To File

File claims as follows:

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##### WHEN TO FILE (FROM MAILING DATE)

No Sooner Than No Later Than  
MAIL TYPE OR SERVICE

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[Revise the “No Sooner Than” timeframe for “Insured Mail” line item to read as follows:]

Insured Mail (including Priority Mail under 503.4.2) 15 days

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[Delete the footnote at the bottom of the table in 1.4 in its entirety.]

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 423

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#### Effluent Limitations Guidelines and Standards for the Steam Electric Power Generating Point Source Category—Deadline Extensions

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (the EPA or Agency) is finalizing a Clean Water Act (CWA) rule to extend deadlines promulgated in the 2024 “Supplemental Effluent Limitations Guidelines and Standards for the Steam Electric Power Generating Point Source Category” (2024 rule), update the 2024 rule’s transfer provisions to allow facilities to switch between compliance alternatives, and create authority for alternative applicability dates and paperwork submission dates, based on site-specific factors.

**DATES:** The final rule is effective on March 2, 2026. In accordance with 40 CFR 23.2, this regulation shall be considered issued for purposes of judicial review at 1 p.m. Eastern time on January 14, 2026. Under section 509(b)(1) of the CWA, judicial review of this regulation can be had only by filing a petition for review in the U.S. Court of Appeals within 120 days after the regulation is considered issued for purposes of judicial review. Under section 509(b)(2), the requirements in this regulation may not be challenged later in civil or criminal proceedings brought by the EPA to enforce these requirements.

**ADDRESSES:** The EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID