

will continue in effect until canceled. It may be canceled by either you or us for any succeeding crop year by giving written notice to the other party on or before the cancellation date.

3. All potatoes grown on insurable acreage and that are entered into the potato seed certification program administered by the state in which the seed is grown must be insured unless limited by section 4 below.

4. The certified seed acreage you insure in the current crop year cannot be greater than 125 percent of the average number of acres grown for seed in the three previous years unless we agree otherwise in writing. If you enter more than this number of acres into the certification program, your certified seed production guarantee for the current crop year will be reduced as follows:

(a) Multiply the average number of acres grown for certified seed the 3 previous years by 1.25 and divide this result by the number of acres grown for certified seed in the current crop year; and

(b) Multiply the result of section 4(a) (not to exceed 1.0) by the production guarantee for certified seed for the current crop year.

5. You must provide acceptable records of your certified seed potato acreage and production for the previous three years. These records must clearly indicate the number of acres entered into the potato seed certification program administered by the state in which the seed is grown.

6. All potatoes insured for certified seed production must be produced and managed in accordance with standards, practices, and procedures required for certification by the state's certifying agency and applicable regulations.

7. If, due to insurable causes occurring within the insurance period, potato production does not qualify as certified seed on any insured certified seed potato acreage within a unit, we will pay you the dollar amount per hundredweight shown in the Special Provisions, multiplied by your production guarantee for such acreage, and multiplied by your share. Any production that does not qualify as certified seed because of varietal mixing or your failure to follow the standard practices and procedures required for certification will be considered as lost due to uninsured causes.

8. You must notify us of any loss under this endorsement not later than 14 days after you receive notice from the state certification agency that any acreage has failed certification.

10. Section 457.146 is added to read as follows:

§ 457.146 Northern potato crop insurance—storage coverage endorsement.

The Northern Potato Crop Insurance Storage Coverage Endorsement provisions for the 1998 and succeeding years are as follows:

FCIC policies:

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Reinsured policies:

(Appropriate title for insurance provider)

Both FCIC and reinsured policies:

NORTHERN POTATO CROP INSURANCE STORAGE COVERAGE ENDORSEMENT

1. In return for payment of the required additional premium specified on the Actuarial Table, this endorsement is attached to and made part of your Northern Potato Crop Provisions subject to the terms and conditions described herein.

2. You must elect this endorsement on or before the sales closing date for the initial crop year in which you wish to insure your potatoes under this endorsement. This endorsement will continue in effect until canceled. It may be canceled by either you or us for any succeeding crop year by giving written notice to the other party on or before the cancellation date.

3. Potato production grown under a contract that requires the production to be delivered to a buyer within three days of harvest will not be insured under this endorsement. All other potato production insured under the Northern Potato Crop Provisions must be insured under this endorsement unless the Special Provisions allow you to exclude certain potato varieties, types, or groups from insurance under this endorsement, and you elect to exercise this option. Such exclusions, if allowed, must be shown annually on your acreage report and will be applicable to all acreage of the excluded varieties, types, or groups for the crop year.

4. When production from separate insurance units, basic or optional, is commingled in storage, the production to count for each unit will be allocated prorata based on the production placed in storage from each unit. For example, if 500 hundredweight from one unit are commingled with 1,500 hundredweight from another unit and the production to count from the stored production is 1,000 hundredweight, 250 hundredweight of production to count will be allocated to the unit originally contributing 500 hundredweight to the stored production. This provision does not eliminate or change any other requirement contained in this policy to provide or maintain separate records of acreage or production by unit.

5. Production will be adjusted in accordance with this endorsement only if:

(a) The potatoes are damaged by an insured cause other than freeze that later results in soft rot or wet breakdown as defined in the United States Standards for Grades of Potatoes, or other tuber rot condition, to the extent that five percent (by weight) or more of the insured production is affected;

(b) You notify us within 72 hours of your initial discovery of any damage that has or that may later result in soft rot or wet breakdown;

(c) Damage is the result of an insured cause other than freeze that occurs prior to the end of the insurance period;

(d) The percentage of potatoes having soft rot, wet breakdown, or other tuber rot condition is determined no later than 60 days after harvest; and

(e) A grade inspection is performed.

6. Production to count for production that qualifies under the terms of this endorsement will be determined as follows:

(a) For potatoes sold within 60 days of harvest, by dividing the price received per hundredweight by the highest price election designated in the Special Provisions for the insured potato type, and multiplying the result (not to exceed 1.0) by the number of hundredweight of sold production. If production is sold for a price lower than the value appropriate and representative of the local market, we will determine the value of the production based on the price that we determine you could have received in the local market;

(b) For potatoes discarded within 60 days of harvest that could:

(1) Not have been sold, the production to count will be zero; or

(2) Have been sold, the production will be reduced as follows (all percents of damage will be rounded to the nearest 0.1 percent):

(i) 0.1 percentage point for each 0.1 percent of damage through 5.0 percent;

(ii) 0.5 percentage point for each 0.1 percent of damage from 5.1 percent through 6.0 percent;

(iii) 1.0 percentage point for each 0.1 percent of damage from 6.1 through 8.0 percent;

(iv) 2.0 percentage point for each 0.1 percent of damage from 8.1 through 9.0 percent; and

(v) 2.5 percentage point for each 0.1 percent of damage from 9.1 through 11.0 percent.

(c) For potatoes stored more than 60 days after harvest, adjustment will be made in accordance with subsection 6(b)(2) of this endorsement.

Signed in Washington, DC, on April 17, 1997.

Kenneth D. Ackerman,

Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

10 CFR Part 490

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

[Docket No. EE-RM-96-200]

Alternative Fueled Vehicle Acquisition Requirements for Private and Local Government Fleets

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE)

ACTION: Notice of termination of proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) will not promulgate regulations to implement alternative fueled vehicle (AFV) acquisition requirements for certain private and local government fleets according to the early schedule of section 507(a)(1) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EPACT).

ADDRESSES: The docket file material has been filed under "EE-RM-96-200."

This docket will remain open indefinitely. Copies of the transcripts of the public hearings, written comments, technical reference materials mentioned in the Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, and any other docket material received may be read and copied at the DOE Freedom of Information Reading Room, U.S. Department of Energy, Room 1E-190, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, telephone (202) 586-6020 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. For further information on this rulemaking you should contact Ken Katz at 202-586-6116.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kenneth Katz, 202-586-6116.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPACT authorizes DOE to pursue a rulemaking concerning alternative fueled vehicle acquisition requirements for private and local government fleets on two distinct schedules. First, section 507(b) provides for an early rulemaking concerning such requirement which must be completed by December 15, 1996. As part of that rulemaking, section 507(a)(3) of EPACT, Pub. L. 102-486, requires DOE to publish an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANOPR) to begin a rulemaking to determine whether alternative fueled vehicle (AFV) acquisition requirements for private and local government fleets are necessary to achieve EPACT's energy security and other goals. If no rule is promulgated by December 15, 1996, then section 507(b)(3), (c), and (e) requires a later rulemaking (beginning no later than April 1998) to determine by January 1, 2000, whether vehicle acquisition requirements are "necessary" in light of then current circumstances. 42 U.S.C. 13256(b)(3), (c) and (e). EPACT provides that if a final rule to implement an early mandate is not promulgated by December 15, 1996, DOE must proceed to the later rulemaking. 42 U.S.C. 13256(b).

DOE published an ANOPR for the purposes described in section 507(a) and (b) on August 7, 1996. 61 FR 41032. This notice was intended to stimulate comments to assist DOE in making decisions concerning future rulemaking actions and non-regulatory initiatives to promote alternative fuels and alternative fueled vehicles. Three hearings were held to receive oral comments on the ANOPR on September 17, 1996, in Dallas, Texas; on September 25, 1996, in Sacramento, California; and on October 9, 1996, in Washington, D.C. A total of 70 persons spoke at the three hearings

and 105 written comments were received by November 5, 1996.

Based on the comments received, DOE intends to continue to investigate the full array of measures that could be available and effective to help meet the EPACT goals, focussing on incentives and voluntary measures, as suggested by a great majority of commenters. A number of commenters urged DOE to convene a forum for bringing together all stakeholders of AFV programs with the aim of reaching a consensus on desirable measures and strategies for achieving substantial use of replacement fuels and AFVs. DOE intends to fully explore the possibilities for convening such a process in the near future.

DOE will not implement private and local government fleet AFV acquisition requirements under the early schedule of section 507(a). Consistent with the above-described statutory limitations on early rulemaking under section 507 (a), DOE is terminating this rulemaking without prejudice to initiating the later rulemaking authorized by section 507 (e) and (g).

Issued in Washington, DC, on April 11, 1997.

Christine A. Ervin,

Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

12 CFR Chapter VII

Federal Credit Union Bylaws

AGENCY: National Credit Union Administration (NCUA).

ACTION: Request for comments; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On March 13, 1997 (62 FR 11778), the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) published for public comment a request for comments regarding the Federal Credit Union Bylaws. The comment period for the request for comments was to have expired on May 12, 1997. At the request of a trade association and to encourage additional comments, the NCUA Board has decided to extend the comment period on the request for comments. The extended comment period now expires June 12, 1997.

DATE: The comment period has been extended and now expires June 12, 1997. Comments must be received on or before June 12, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to Becky Baker, Secretary of the

Board. Mail or hand-deliver comments to: National Credit Union Administration, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314-3428. Fax comments to (703) 518-6319. E-mail comments to boardmail@ncua.gov. Please send comments by one method only.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mary F. Rupp, Staff Attorney, Office of General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314-3428 or telephone: (703) 518-6540.

By the National Credit Union Administration Board on April 15, 1997.

Becky Baker,

Secretary of the Board.

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NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

12 CFR Parts 701, 712 and 740

Organization and Operations of Federal Credit Unions; Credit Union Service Organizations; Advertising

AGENCY: National Credit Union Administration (NCUA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On March 13, 1997 (62 FR 11779), the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) published for public comment a proposed rule regarding credit union service organizations (CUSOs) of federal credit unions (FCUs). The comment period for this proposed rule was to have expired on May 12, 1997. At the request of a national trade association and to encourage additional comments, the NCUA Board has decided to extend the comment period on the proposed rule one more time. The extended comment period now expires June 12, 1997.

DATES: The comment period has been extended and now expires June 12, 1997. Comments must be received on or before June 12, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to Becky Baker, Secretary of the Board. Mail or hand-deliver comments to: National Credit Union Administration Board, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314-3428. Fax comments to (703) 518-6319. E-mail comments to boardmail@ncua.gov. Please send comments by one method only.

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