concurrence of the EPA with respect to any provisions of the State program amendment that relate to air or water quality standards promulgated under the authority of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*) or the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*).

None of the amendments that Virginia proposed pertain to air or water quality standards. Therefore, EPA's concurrence with the proposed amendment is not necessary.

Pursuant to 732.17(h)(11)(I), we solicited comments on the proposed amendment from EPA. The EPA did not provide any comments.

## V. Director's Decision

Based on the above findings, we approve the amendments submitted by Virginia on August 2, 1999, and amended on October 1 and October 28, 1999

To implement this decision, we are amending the Federal regulations at 30 CFR part 946 which codifies decisions concerning the Virginia program. We are making this final rule effective immediately to expedite the State program amendment process, and to encourage Virginia to bring its program into conformity with the Federal standards without undue delay. Consistency of State and Federal standards is required by SMCRA.

### **VI. Procedural Determinations**

Executive Order 12866

This rule is exempted from review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under Executive Order 12866 (Regulatory Planning and Review).

Executive Order 12988

The Department of the Interior has conducted the reviews required by section 3 of Executive Order 12988 (Civil Justice Reform) and has determined that, to the extent allowed

by law, this rule meets the applicable standards of subsections (a) and (b) of that section. However, these standards are not applicable to the actual language of State regulatory programs and program amendments since each such program is drafted and promulgated by a specific State, not by OSM. Under sections 503 and 505 of SMCRA (30 U.S.C. 1253 and 1255) and 30 CFR 730.11, 732.15 and 732.17(h)(10), decisions on proposed State regulatory programs and program amendments submitted by the States must be based solely on a determination of whether the submittal is consistent with SMCRA and its implementing Federal regulations and whether the other requirements of 30 CFR parts 730, 731, and 732 have been met.

National Environmental Policy Act

No environmental impact statement is required for this rule since section 702(d) of SMCRA [30 U.S.C. 1292(d)] provides that agency decisions on proposed State regulatory program provisions do not constitute major Federal actions within the meaning of section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)).

Paperwork Reduction Act

This rule does not contain information collection requirements that require approval by OMB under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3507 *et seq.*).

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Department of the Interior has determined that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*). The State submittal which is the subject of this rule is based upon counterpart Federal regulations for

which an economic analysis was prepared and certification made that such regulations would not have a significant economic effect upon a substantial number of small entities. Accordingly, this rule will ensure that existing requirements previously promulgated by OSM will be implemented by the State. In making the determination as to whether this rule would have a significant economic impact, the Department relied upon the data and assumptions for the counterpart Federal regulations.

Unfunded Mandates

This rule will not impose a cost of \$100 million or more in any given year on any governmental entity or the private sector.

# List of Subjects in 30 CFR Part 946

Intergovernmental relations, Surface mining, Underground mining.

Dated: December 15, 1999.

#### H. Vann Weaver,

Acting Regional Director, Appalachian Regional Coordinating Center.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, Title 30, Chapter VII, Subchapter T of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as set forth below:

# **PART 946—VIRGINIA**

1. The authority citation for Part 946 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 30 U.S.C. 1201 et seq.

2. Section 946.15 is amended in the table by adding a new entry in chronological order by "Date of Final Publication" to read as follows:

§ 946.15 Approval of Virginia regulatory program amendments.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Coast Guard** 

33 CFR Part 165

[CGD13-99-046]

RIN 2115-AA97

Safety Zone Regulation; Fireworks Display, Willamette River, Portland, Oregon

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT. **ACTION:** Temporary final rule. **SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is establishing a safety zone on the waters of Willamette River in the vicinity of Portland, Oregon from 11:30 p.m. (PST) on December 31, 1999 to 12:30 a.m. (PST) January 1, 2000. The Captain of the Port, Portland, Oregon, is taking this action to safeguard watercraft and their occupants from safety hazards associated with the fireworks display. The safety zone will encompass all waters of the Willamette River at Portland, Oregon River from the Hawthorne Bridge (Willamette River Mile 13.1) to the Marquam Bridge (Willamette River Mile 13.6). Entry into this safety zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port.

**DATES:** This rule is effective from 11:30 p.m. (PST) on December 31, 1999 to 12:30 a.m. (PST) January 1, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, are part of docket CGD13–99–046, and are available for inspection or copying at the U.S. Coast Guard Group/MSO Portland, 6767 N. Basin Ave, Portland, Oregon 97217 between 7:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lieutenant Tom Allan, c/o Captain of the Port, Portland 6767 N. Basin Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97217, (503) 240 9327.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Regulatory Information**

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B) and 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM and for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. Publishing a NPRM would be contrary to public interest since immediate action is necessary to ensure the safety of vessels and spectators gathering in the vicinity of the fireworks launching

barge. Due to the complex planning and coordination, the event sponsor, the American West Steamboat Co., was unable to provide the Coast Guard with notice of the final details until less than 45 days prior to the date of the event. If normal notice and comment procedures were followed, this rule would not become effective until after the date of the event. For this reason, following normal rulemaking procedures in this case would be impracticable and contrary to the public interest.

## **Background and Purpose**

The Coast Guard is adopting a temporary safety zone regulation to allow a safe fireworks display. The fireworks display is scheduled to start at midnight on December 31, 1999. This event may result in a number of vessels congregating near the fireworks launching barge. The zone is needed to protect watercraft and their occupants from safety hazards associated with fireworks display. This safety zone will be enforced by representatives of the Captain of the Port, Portland, Oregon. The Captain of the Port may be assisted by other federal agencies and local agencies.

# **Regulatory Evaluation**

This rule is not a "significant regulatory action" under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that Order. The Office of Management and Budget has not reviewed it under that Order. It is not "significant" under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Transportation (DOT) (44 CFR 11040; February 26, 1979). The Coast Guard expects the economic impact of this proposal to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation under paragraph 10e of the regulatory policies and procedures act of DOT is unnecessary. This expectation is based on the fact that the regulated area established by the proposed regulation would encompass less than one mile of the Willamette River for a period of only one hour.

## **Small Entities**

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612), we considered whether this rule would have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The term "small entities" comprises small businesses, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields, and governmental jurisdictions with

populations of less than 50,000. This rule will affect the following entities, some of which may be small entities: the owners or operators of vessels intending to transit a portion of the Willamette River from 11:30 p.m. (PST) on December 31, 1999 to 12:30 a.m. (PST) January 1, 2000. This safety zone will not have significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities for the following reasons. This rule will be in effect for only one hour in the evening when vessel traffic is low. Because the impacts of this proposal are expected to be so minimal, the Coast Guard certifies under 605(b) that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

## **Collection of Information**

This rule calls for no new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520).

# **Federalism**

We have analyzed this rule under Executive Order 13132 and have determined that this final rule does not have implications for federalism under that Order.

#### **Unfunded Mandates Reform Act**

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531–1538) governs the issuance of Federal regulations that require unfunded mandates. An unfunded mandate is a regulation that requires a State, local, or tribal government or the private sector to incur direct costs without the Federal Government's having first provided the funds to pay those unfunded mandate costs. This rule will not impose an unfunded mandate.

# **Taking of Private Property**

This rule will not effect a taking of private property or otherwise have taking implications under E.O. 12630, Governmental Actions and Interference with Constitutionally Protected Property Rights.

## **Civil Justice Reform**

This rule meets applicable standards in sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of E.O. 12988, Civil Justice Reform, to minimize litigation, eliminate ambiguity, and reduce burden.

# **Protection of Children**

We have analyzed this rule under E.O. 13045, Protection of Children from

Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks. This rule is not an economically significant rule and does not concern an environmental risk to health or risk to safety that may disproportionately affect children.

#### Environment

The Coast Guard considered the environmental impact of this rule and concluded that, under figure 2–1, paragraph (34)(g) of Commandant Instruction M16475.1C, this rule is categorically excluded from further environmental documentation. A Categorical Exclusion is provided for temporary safety zones of less than one week in duration. This rule establishes a safety zone with a duration of one hour. A "Categorical Exclusion Determination" is available in the docket for inspection or copying where indicated under ADDRESSES.

## List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 165

Harbors, Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Security measures, Waterways.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR Part 165 as follows:

# PART 165—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 165 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 33 U.S.C. 1231; 50 U.S.C. 191; 33 CFR 1.05–1(g), 6.04–1, 6.04–6 and 160.5; 49 CFR 1.46.

2. A temporary § 165.T13–035 is added to read as follows:

# § 165.T13-035 Safety Zone; Willamette River, Portland, Oregon.

- (a) Location. The following area is a safety zone: All waters of the Willamette River at Portland, Oregon River from the Hawthorne Bridge (Willamette River Mile 13.1) to the Marquam Bridge (Willamette River Mile 13.6).
- (b) Regulations. In accordance with the general regulations in § 165.23 of this part, no person or vessel may enter or remain in this zone unless authorized by the Captain of the Port or his designated representatives.
- (c) Effective dates. This regulation is effective on December 31, 1999 at 11:30 p.m. (PST) through January 1, 2000 at 12:30 a.m. (PST).

Dated: December 6, 1999.

## James D. Spitzer,

Captain, Coast Guard, Captain of the Port. [FR Doc. 99–33473 Filed 12–23–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–15–U

# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 180

[OPP-300954; FRL-6394-9]

RIN 2070-AB78

## Maneb; Extension of Tolerance for Emergency Exemptions

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

ACTION: Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This regulation extends a time-limited tolerance for combined residues of the fungicide maneb (manganous

ethylenebisdithiocarbamate), calculated as zinc ethylenebisdithiocarbamate and its metabolite ethylenethiourea in or on walnuts at 0.05 part per million (ppm) for an additional 1-year period. This tolerance will expire and is revoked on December 31, 2001. This action is in response to EPA's granting of an emergency exemption under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act authorizing use of the pesticide on walnuts. Section 408(l)(6) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act requires EPA to establish a time-limited tolerance or exemption from the requirement for a tolerance for pesticide chemical residues in food that will result from the use of a pesticide under an emergency exemption granted by EPA under section 18 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.

DATES: This regulation is effective December 27, 1999. Objections and requests for hearings, identified by docket control number OPP–300954, must be received by EPA on or before February 25, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written objections and hearing requests may be submitted by mail, in person, or by courier. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit III. of the "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION." To ensure proper receipt by EPA, your objections and hearing requests must identify docket control number OPP—300954 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Libby Pemberton, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 308–9364; and e-mail address: pemberton.libby@epa.gov.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

You may be affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer, or pesticide manufacturer. Potentially affected categories and entities may include, but are not limited to:

Cat- egories	NAICS codes	Examples of potentially affected entities
Industry	111 112 311 32532	Crop production Animal production Food manufacturing Pesticide manufacturing

This listing is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide for readers regarding entities likely to be affected by this action. Other types of entities not listed in the table could also be affected. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes have been provided to assist you and others in determining whether or not this action might apply to certain entities. If you have questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT."

- B. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document and Other Related Documents?
- 1. Electronically. You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at http://www.epa.gov/. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register--Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the Federal Register listings at http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/.
- 2. In person. The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPP-300954. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of