

(TWIC)—Reader Requirements.” In it we stated our intention to hold a public meeting, and to publish a notice announcing the location and date. 74 FR 13360. On April 9, 2009, we published a notice announcing the date for that meeting, and that it would be held in the Washington DC area. 74 FR 16161. This document is the notice of the exact location for that meeting.

In the ANPRM, we discuss the United States Coast Guard’s preliminary thoughts on potential requirements for owners and operators of certain vessels and facilities regulated by the Coast Guard under 33 CFR chapter I, subchapter H, for use of electronic readers designed to work with TWICs as an access control measure. It discusses additional potential requirements associated with TWIC readers, such as recordkeeping requirements for those owners or operators required to use an electronic reader, and amendments to security plans previously approved by the Coast Guard to incorporate TWIC requirements.

This rulemaking action, once final, would enhance the security of ports and vessels by ensuring that only persons who hold valid TWICs are granted unescorted access to secure areas on vessels and port facilities. It would also complete the implementation of the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 transportation security card requirement, as well as the requirements of the Security and Accountability for Every Port Act of 2006, for regulations on electronic readers for use with Transportation Worker Identification Credentials.

You may view the ANPRM in our online docket, and comments submitted thus far by going to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Once there, select the Advanced Docket Search option on the right side of the screen, insert USCG–2007–28915 in the Docket ID box, press Enter, and then click on the item in the Docket ID column. If you do not have access to the Internet, you may view the docket in person by visiting the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 on the ground floor of the Department of Transportation West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. We have an agreement with the Department of Transportation to use the Docket Management Facility.

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments either orally at the meeting or in writing. If you bring written comments to the meeting, you may submit them to Coast Guard personnel

specified at the meeting to receive written comments. These comments will be submitted to our online public docket. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided.

Anyone can search the electronic form of comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review a Privacy Act notice regarding our public dockets in the January 17, 2008 issue of the **Federal Register** (73 FR 3316).

#### **Information on Service for Individuals With Disabilities**

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the public meeting, contact LCDR Maiorine at the telephone number or e-mail address indicated under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice.

#### **Public Meeting**

The Coast Guard will hold a public meeting regarding its Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC)—Reader Requirements ANPRM on Wednesday, May 6, 2009 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at The Sheraton Crystal City Hotel, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202. The meeting may end early if all comments are received prior to 5 p.m. We plan to have a transcript of the meeting available on our online docket soon after the public meeting.

For details on the hotel and surrounding area, including directions, you may visit The Sheraton Crystal City Hotel Web site, <http://www.sheraton.com/crystalcity>. The hotel is metro accessible and provides shuttle service from Reagan National Airport. Additionally, self and valet parking is available in the hotel’s parking garage at a daily rate. There is also metered parking along the street outside of the hotel.

Dated: April 10, 2009.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

### **Administration for Children and Families**

#### **45 CFR Parts 302, 303, and 307**

**RIN 0970–AC01**

#### **State Parent Locator Service; Safeguarding Child Support Information: Proposed Delay of Effective Date**

**AGENCY:** Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Department of Health and Human Services.

**ACTION:** Proposed delay of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Memorandum of January 20, 2009, from the Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff entitled “Regulatory Review” [74 FR 4435], the Department published a document in the **Federal Register** on March 3, 2009 [74 FR 9171], seeking public comment on a contemplated delay of 60 days in the effective date of the rule entitled “State Parent Locator Service; Safeguarding Child Support Information,” published in the **Federal Register** on September 26, 2008 [73 FR 56422]. That rule addresses requirements for State Parent Locator Service responses to authorized location requests, State IV–D program safeguarding of confidential information, authorized disclosures of this information, and restrictions on the use of confidential data and information for child support purposes with exceptions for certain disclosures permitted by statute. In response to comments, the Department issued a document March 20, 2009 [74 FR 11880] delaying the effective date of the rule by 60 days until May 22, 2009, in order to permit officials of the new Administration an opportunity to review and approve the policies in the regulation.

The Department is currently reviewing questions of law and policy raised by the rule. However, based upon the review that has been conducted to date and the nature of the comments received in response to the March 3, 2009 document, it appears that further revisions to the final rule may be warranted in one or more areas. In response to these comments and in order to afford officials an opportunity to review and consider further the provisions of the September 26, 2008 final rule, the Department is considering delaying the effective date to December 30, 2010.

The Department solicits comments specifically on the contemplated delay in effective date.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before May 5, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Interested persons are invited to submit written comments via regular postal mail to: Office of Child Support Enforcement, Administration for Children and Families, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., 4th floor, Washington, DC 20447, Attention: Division of Policy; *Mail Stop:* ACF/OCSE/DP.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Yvette Riddick, Office of Child Support Enforcement, Division of Policy, (202) 401-4885.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

On September 26, 2008, a final rule following notice and comment period entitled "State Parent Locator Service; Safeguarding Child Support Information" [73 FR 56422], was published in the **Federal Register** to address requirements for State Parent Locator Service, State IV-D program safeguarding and authorized disclosure of confidential information, and restrictions on the use of confidential data and information for child support purposes with exceptions for certain disclosures permitted by statute. The effective date given for the final rule was March 23, 2009.

In accordance with the Memorandum of January 20, 2009, from the Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff entitled "Regulatory Review" [74 FR 4435], on March 3, 2009, we published a notice in the **Federal Register** [74 FR 9171] on a contemplated delay of 60 days in the effective date of the safeguarding. In response to comments, the Department issued a subsequent

notice on March 20, 2009 [74 FR 11880] delaying the effective date of the September 26, 2008 final rule for 60 days until May 22, 2009, in order to permit officials of the new Administration an opportunity to review and approve the policies in the regulation.

We now believe additional time is needed for Department officials to complete their review of the rule and to assess fully the comments received in response to the March 3, 2009 notice. Although the Notice invited comments generally on whether a delay in effective date was needed "to allow Department officials the opportunity for further review and consideration," it also generated focused comments recommending changes to several particular substantive areas of the final rule. In addition to supporting a delay in the effective date, the commenters raised a number of serious questions that warrant further consideration by the Administration.

For example, one commenter indicated that the final rule appeared to prohibit the State IV-D agency from disclosing confidential information, such as child support payment records to other State agencies, including the State food assistance (Food Stamps) program and the State revenue (Tax) program. Another commenter stated that a delay in the effective date would give the Administration an opportunity to conduct a review of the child welfare data exchange provisions of the rule to ensure that the provisions of the rule conform with The Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act (Pub. L. 110-351), signed into law on October 7, 2008, after the rule was finalized.

Several commenters raised specific policy objections to the September 26, 2008 final rule including concerns about the rules for disclosure of confidential location information. Another commenter stated that the regulations

need to be reviewed and revised to assure significantly greater protection of that information from use for non-child support purposes.

Additionally, a number of commenters focused on the disclosure of information to an "agent of a child" and raised concerns that some private collection agencies may not actually serve the child's best interests and raised concerns that these private entities are not subject to ethics and confidentiality rules such as those governing State agencies and attorneys and there may be unintended adverse consequences of such disclosures.

Department officials need time to complete their review of the policies contained in the September 26, 2008, final rule and to consider fully the concerns raised by commenters. Should Department officials determine that it is necessary and appropriate to make any changes to the provisions of the September 26, 2008, final rule, HHS will provide the public with notice of and an opportunity to comment on any proposed changes. Accordingly, we are considering delaying the effective date of the September 26, 2008, final rule until December 30, 2010.

**II. Provisions of This Action**

The contemplated delay in the effective date would give Department officials the opportunity for further review of the issues of law and policy raised by the rule. The Department is inviting comments on the contemplated extension of the effective date of the regulation to December 30, 2010.

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Dated: April 9, 2009.

**Charles E. Johnson,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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