

1, 2012 will be accepted from January 3, 2012 through February 1, 2012.

The period during which applications will be accepted for the performance period beginning on July 1, 2012 will remain identical to the period for the Medicare Shared Savings Program. More information is available on the Advance Payment Model Web site at <http://www.innovations.cms.gov/initiatives/aco/advance-payment/index.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Farmer, (410) 786-5497.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is committed to achieving the three-part aim of better health for populations, better health care for individuals, and lower growth in expenditures through continuous improvement for Medicare, Medicaid, and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) beneficiaries. One potential mechanism for achieving this goal is for CMS to partner with groups of health care providers of services and suppliers that have a mechanism for shared governance and have formed an Accountable Care Organization (ACO) through which they work together to coordinate care for a specified group of patients. We will pursue such partnerships through complementary efforts, including the Medicare Shared Savings Program and initiatives undertaken by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (Innovation Center).

The Advance Payment Model is an Innovation Center initiative designed for participants in the Medicare Shared Savings Program in need of prepayment of expected shared savings to build their capacity to provide high quality, coordinated care and generate cost savings. The Advance Payment Model will test whether and how pre-paying a portion of future shared savings could increase participation in the Medicare Shared Savings Program, and whether advance payments will enhance the ability of ACOs to effectively coordinate care and generate Medicare savings, as well as the speed at which they attain that goal.

In the November 2, 2011 **Federal Register** (76 FR 68012), we published a notice announcing the Advance Payment Model. Additional information about the Advance Payment Model is available on the Advance Payment Model Web site at <http://www.innovations.cms.gov/initiatives/aco/advance-payment/index.html>.

II. Provisions of the Notice

This notice announces a new deadline for applications to the Advance Payment Model for the performance period beginning April 1, 2012. We will accept applications to the Advance Payment Model from January 3, 2012 through February 1, 2012. The period during which applications will be accepted for the performance period beginning on July 1, 2012 will remain identical to the period for the Medicare Shared Savings Program.

Organizations interested in applying to the Advance Payment Model must also complete an application for the Shared Savings Program. This modified deadline will provide organizations interested in the Advance Payment Model with more time to complete the additional application needed for the Advance Payment Model. Information about the application process and deadlines for the Shared Savings Program is available at <http://www.cms.gov/sharesavingsprogram>.

Additional information about the application process for the Advance Payment Model is available on the Advance Payment Model Web site at <http://www.innovations.cms.gov/initiatives/aco/advance-payment/index.html>.

Authority: Section 1115A of the Social Security Act.

Dated: November 23, 2011.

Donald M. Berwick,

Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2011-1084]

Guidance on Domestic Implementation of International Standards for Oceaongoing Barges Carrying Noxious Liquid Substances

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard announces a public meeting to receive comments on new policy under consideration that would provide a domestic equivalency for international standards with respect to U.S. flagged oceaongoing barges carrying noxious liquid substances (NLS).

DATES: A public meeting will be held on Thursday, December 1, 2011 from 2

p.m. to 4 p.m. to provide an opportunity for oral comments. Written comments and related material may be submitted to Coast Guard personnel specified at that meeting. Written comments may also be submitted in response to this notice. The comment period for this notice will close on December 30, 2011. All written comments and related material submitted before or after the meeting must either be submitted to our online docket via <http://www.regulations.gov> on or before December 30, 2011 or reach the Docket Management Facility by that date.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, Room 205, 900 Convention Center Boulevard, New Orleans, LA 70130, telephone (504) 582-3000.

You may submit written comments identified by docket number USCG-2011-1084 before or after the meeting using any one of the following methods:

(1) *Federal eRulemaking Portal:*

<http://www.regulations.gov>.

(2) *Fax:* (202) 493-2251.

(3) *Mail:* Docket Management Facility (M-30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

(4) *Hand delivery:* Same as mail address above, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (202) 366-9329.

To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. Our online docket for this notice is available on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> under docket number USCG-2011-1084.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions concerning the meeting or the new policy under consideration, please call or email LT Sean Peterson, Commandant (CG-5223), Coast Guard; telephone (202) 372-1403, email Sean.M.Peterson@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Ms. Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone (202) 366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background and Purpose

The Coast Guard is considering new policy that would align Coast Guard guidance with the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code) as it may relate to oceaongoing barges carrying NLS.

The new policy under consideration by the Coast Guard would provide affected parties with an equivalent

means of compliance with the IBC Code. In crafting this guidance, the Coast Guard wishes to take into account public concerns and input. In that regard, this notice specifically requests information and public comments relating to the following topics:

1. Regulation 11.3.1 of the IBC Code requiring installation of fixed deck foam systems for all vessels carrying cargoes with a flashpoint less than 60 degrees (Celsius).

2. Secondary venting requirements according to Regulation 8.3 of the IBC Code.

3. Any additional comments or concerns regarding the implementation of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) Annex II for oceangoing barges carrying NLS.

The Coast Guard believes that a public meeting would also benefit the impacted community by providing an additional forum to raise relevant issues. This will further enable the Coast Guard to craft policy that takes into account public concerns.

You may view the written comments and supporting documents (if any) in the online docket by going to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Once there, select the Advanced Docket Search option on the right side of the screen, insert USCG-2011-1084 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 online 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 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 Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the public meeting, contact Lt. Sean Peterson at the telephone number or email address indicated under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice.

Public Meeting

The Coast Guard will hold a public meeting regarding new policy under consideration that would provide a domestic equivalency for international standards with respect to U.S. flagged oceangoing barges carrying NLS on Thursday, December 1, 2011 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, Room 205, 900 Convention Center Boulevard, New Orleans, LA 70130, telephone (504) 582-3000.

We plan to record this meeting using an audio-digital recorder and then make that audio recording available through a link in our online docket. We will also provide a written summary of the meeting and comments and will place that summary in the docket.

Dated: November 25, 2011.

F.J. Sturm,

Deputy, Director of Commercial Regulations and Standards, U.S. Coast Guard.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Central Utah Project Completion Act; Finding of No Significant Impact Associated With the Environmental Assessment for Block Notice 1A Heber Sub-Area Agricultural Water to Municipal Industrial Water Conversion

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: On September 27, 2011, the Department of the Interior signed a Finding of No Significant Impact which documents the selection of the Proposed Action as presented in the Final Environmental Assessment for the Block Notice 1A Heber Sub-Area Agricultural Water to Municipal & Industrial Water Conversion.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the Final Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact may be

accessed on the Internet at <http://www.cuwcd.com> and <http://www.cupcao.gov>. CD and paper copies can be obtained by contacting Sarah Sutherland, 355 West University Parkway, Orem, Utah 84058, sarah@cuwcd.com, (801) 226-7146.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Lynn Hansen, Central Utah Project Completion Act Office, 302 East 1860 South, Provo, Utah 84606, (801) 379-1238, or email at lhansen@usbr.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of the Interior (Interior) has determined that implementing the Proposed Action described in the Environmental Assessment (EA) will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment and that an environmental impact statement is not required. The proposed action would:

1. Administratively convert up to 12,100 acre-feet of Central Utah Project Bonneville Unit agricultural water, delivered under Block Notice 1A and allotted to the Heber Sub-Area, from agricultural to municipal & industrial use.

2. Expand the Heber Sub-area.

3. Require modifying Block Notice 1A to reflect these administrative changes. Completing this EA would allow the administrative changes but would not automatically convert the water. The actual conversion would be completed by Central Utah Water Conservancy District and Interior consistent with Bureau of Reclamation law over time as requests are received from petitioners and contract holders.

4. Provide for installation and operation of a temporary water-delivery system in the event of an emergency that affects the water supply to the Jordanelle Special Service District (JSSD) Keetley Water Treatment Plant at Jordanelle Reservoir. During an emergency, this system would provide JSSD with a temporary method to receive its contracted portion of the Block Notice 1A water. Because the temporary water-delivery system would be installed on Federal land, Interior would need to issue a license agreement to JSSD as part of the process.

Dated: November 21, 2011.

Reed R. Murray,

Program Director, Central Utah Project Completion Act, Department of the Interior.

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