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Real-time Information Networks; Notice of Timetable and Opportunity for Participation in Industry Working Groups

[Docket No. RM95-9-000]

August 10, 1995.

On July 27, 1995, the Commission held an informal Technical Conference¹ to discuss, *inter alia*, the process for developing requirements for Real-Time Information Networks (RINs).²

Different panels representing a cross section of the electric industry discussed the efforts of the industry to date, what industry standards are needed, what information is needed on a RIN, how a RIN should be structured, and what actions the Commission should next take to resolve remaining issues and proceed to develop rules for RIN requirements. In particular, the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC) and the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) described efforts they had been making, in conjunction with other parties, to work on issues related to RINs development.

Chair Elizabeth Moler stated the Commission's intention of issuing a supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking and request for comments late in 1995 that will propose mandatory requirements for an information system. She expressed the

¹ See 60 FR 17726 (April 7, 1995); 60 FR 33375 (June 28, 1995); and the unpublished notice of the preliminary agenda for the Technical Conference (issued on July 19, 1995).

² The Commission also previously announced, 60 FR at 17727-28, that it expected to enlist working groups, operating in consultation with Commission Staff, to reach consensus on RIN-related issues and that it expected to have RIN requirements in place no later than the date when it issues a final rule, in Docket No. RM95-8-000, an open access transmission, 60 FR at 17728.

Commission's willingness to make use of consensus proposals that are submitted in advance of the supplemental NOPR in developing the proposed rule.

During the discussion at the Technical Conference, a consensus developed that two industry working groups should be formed, one dealing with "what" information should be posted on a RIN and the other dealing with "how" to design a RIN to communicate this information (interactively, if possible) to the industry and what, if any, national standards this would require.

Based on the consensus of the participants at the Technical Conference, the "what" group will be facilitated by the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC)³ and the "how" group will be facilitated by the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI).⁴ Staff intends to consult and participate in the activities of both working groups. Each working group will be composed of representatives of all segments of the electric industry. The two working groups will try to reach consensus on as many issues as possible and prepare reports to the Commission describing all areas of consensus as well as the issues where there are differences and what those differences are. Any consensus proposals or other materials that a working group wishes the Commission to consider in preparing the supplemental NOPR should be filed with the Commission no later than October 16, 1995.

Any working group reports submitted should be as specific as possible and include draft regulations implementing the recommended RIN requirements (and presenting alternative recommendations where consensus has not been reached).

The discussion at the Technical Conference indicated that it may be necessary to start out with a basic set of RIN requirements to be effective as of the effective date of a final rule on non-discriminatory open access transmission and stranded costs, with the possibility of later enhancements or refinements. Thus, any working group reports submitted should address whether the RIN requirements should be implemented in phases, and, if so, what RIN requirements should/must be included in the first phase. If the working group reports recommend a

³ The NERC coordinator is Mr. David Nevius, telephone # (609) 452-8060, facsimile # (609) 452-9550.

⁴ The EPRI coordinator is Mr. Gerry Cauley, telephone # (415) 855-2832, facsimile # (415) 855-8997.

phased approach, they should consider the timetable for when basic and more complete systems can be developed and put in place. Ideally, if RIN requirements are developed in phases, later phases should make use of the investments made in earlier phases.

There was considerable discussion at the Technical Conference and in comments about the need for a commercially workable definition of "available transmission capacity." The report submitted by the "what" working group should address this issue and whether a phased approach to this issue also is appropriate.

The working groups are encouraged to continue their efforts, after the October 1995 submittals, to reach consensus on any remaining issues.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

20 CFR Part 230

RIN 3220-AA61

Reduction and Non-Payment of Annuities by Reason of Work; Correction

AGENCY: Railroad Retirement Board.

ACTION: Correction to proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document contains a correction to the proposed rule which was published on Wednesday, August 16, 1995 (60 FR 42482). The proposed rule relates to the revision of the Railroad Retirement Board's regulation that explains how employment or self-employment performed after the beginning date of an annuitant's railroad retirement annuity may cause a reduction in, or non-payment of, the annuity.

DATES: The comment period has been extended to September 25, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Secretary to the Board, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas W. Sadler, Assistant General Counsel, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, (312) 751-4513, TDD (312) 754-4701.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A line of text was inadvertently omitted from the document submitted for publication which could prove misleading to individuals reviewing the document. Therefore, § 230.17 of the proposed rule revising title 20, chapter II, part 230 of the Board's regulations, in the

publication on August 16, 1995 (60 FR 42482), is corrected as follows:

§ 230.17 [Corrected]

Paragraph 1. On page 42487, in the third column, in § 230.17, paragraph (a), line 5, is corrected by adding after the word "A", "report is required when the individual's total earnings or wages", before the word "exceed".

Dated: August 16, 1995.

By authority of the Board.

For the Board,

Beatrice Ezerski,

Secretary to the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

36 CFR Part 242

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 100

Alaska Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Council Meetings

AGENCIES: Forest Service, USDA; Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public of the Regional Council meetings identified above. The public is invited to attend and observe meeting proceedings. In addition, the public is invited to provide oral testimony before the Councils on proposals to change Subsistence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska as set forth in a proposed rule on August 15, 1995 (60 FR 42085-42130).

The following agenda items will be discussed at each Regional Council meeting: Introduction of Regional Council members and guests; election of officers; old business; new business; agency reports; review and development of proposals to change Subsistence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska; and annual report.

DATES: The Federal Subsistence Board announces the forthcoming public meetings of the Federal Subsistence Regional Advisory Councils (Regional Councils). The Regional Council meetings may last two-three days and will be held in the following Alaska locations, starting on the date indicated.

Region 1 (Southeast)—Klawock—
September 28

Region 2 (Southcentral)—Anchor
Point—September 27

Region 3 (Kodiak/Aleutians)—King
Cove—October 5

Region 4 (Bristol Bay)—Dillingham—
October 10

Region 5 (Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta)—
Bethel—October 3

Region 6 (Western Interior)—Aniak—
October 10

Region 7 (Seward Peninsula)—Nome—
October 26

Region 8 (Northwest Arctic)—
Kotzebue—October 12

Region 9 (Eastern Interior)—Fairbanks—
October 4

Region 10 (North Slope)—Anchorage—
October 16

Notice of specific times and locations will be placed in local and statewide newspapers and on local radio stations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Chair, Federal Subsistence Board, c/o Richard S. Pospahala, Office of Subsistence Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1011 E. Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99503; telephone (907) 786-3467. For questions related to subsistence management issues on National Forest Service lands, inquires may also be directed to Ken Thompson, Regional Subsistence Program Manager, USDA, Forest Service, Alaska Region, P.O. Box 21628, Juneau, Alaska 99802-1628; telephone (907) 586-7921.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Regional Councils have been established in accordance with Section 805 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, Public Law 96-487, and Subsistence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska, subparts A, B, and C (57 FR 22940-22964). The Regional Councils advise the Federal Government on all matters related to the subsistence taking of fish and wildlife on public lands in Alaska and operate in accordance with provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The identified Regional Council meetings will be open to the public. The public is invited to attend these meetings, observe the proceedings, and provide comments to the Regional Councils.

Dated: August 18, 1995.

Mitch Demientieff,

Chair, Federal Subsistence Board.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY**

40 CFR Part 372

[OPPTS-400094; FRL-4954-6]

**Toxic Chemical Release Reporting;
Community Right-To-Know; Denial of
Petition**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Denial of Petition.

SUMMARY: EPA is denying a petition to delete manganese and manganese compounds contained in iron-making and carbon steel making slags from the list of toxic chemicals subject to section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA). This action is based on EPA's conclusion that manganese and manganese compounds in slags do not meet the EPCRA section 313(d)(3) deletion criteria.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maria J. Doa, Petitions Coordinator, 202-260-9592, e-mail: doa.maria@epamail.epa.gov, for specific information on this Denial of Petition, or for more information on EPCRA section 313, the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Hotline, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 5101, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, Toll free: 1-800-535-0202, in Virginia and Alaska: 703-412-9877 or Toll free TDD: 1-800-553-7672.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction

A. Statutory Authority

This action is issued under sections 313(d) and (e)(1) of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA), 42 U.S.C. 11023. EPCRA is also referred to as Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) (Pub. L. 99-499).

B. Background

Section 313 of EPCRA requires certain facilities manufacturing, processing, or otherwise using listed toxic chemicals to report their environmental releases of such chemicals annually. Beginning with the 1991 reporting year, such facilities also must report pollution prevention and recycling data for such chemicals, pursuant to section 6607 of the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990 (PPA), 42 U.S.C. 13106. Section 313 established an initial list of toxic chemicals that was comprised of more than 300 chemicals and 20 chemical categories. Section 313(d) authorizes