

Accordingly, the Commission proposes to amend Part 346 to apply to TAPS and its feeder lines. Thus, the TAPS carriers and the TAPS feeder lines will be required to comply with the cost-of-service filing requirements of Part 346 when they seek to establish rates under the Opinion No. 154-B methodology. These requirements are no more than a codification of the information that these carriers now must provide routinely in response to the Commission staff's requests for information to support their cost-of-service rate filings, and, thus, should not create any additional burden for carriers making cost-of-service filings. Carriers' including cost-of service supporting information with their initial filings instead of filing it at a time later in the regulatory process also will satisfy the requirement of the Act of 1992 to avoid unnecessary regulatory costs and delays.

IV. Environmental Analysis

The Commission is required to prepare an Environmental Assessment or an Environmental Impact Statement for any action that may have a significant adverse effect on the human environment.⁸ The Commission has categorically excluded certain actions from these requirements as not having a significant effect on the human environment.⁹ The action proposed here is procedural in nature and therefore falls within the categorical exclusions provided in the Commission's regulations.¹⁰ Therefore, neither an environmental impact statement nor an environmental assessment is necessary and will not be prepared in this rulemaking.

V. Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

The Regulatory Flexibility Act¹¹ generally requires the Commission to describe the impact that a proposed rule would have on small entities or to certify that the rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. An analysis is not required if a proposed rule will not have such an impact.¹²

Pursuant to section 605(b), the Commission certifies that the proposed rules and amendments, if promulgated, will not have a significant adverse economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

⁸ Order No. 486, Regulations Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act, 52 FR 47897 (Dec. 17, 1987), FERC Statutes and Regulations (Regulations Preambles 1986-1990) ¶ 30.783 (1987).

⁹ 18 CFR 380.4.

¹⁰ See 18 CFR 380.4(a)(2)(ii).

¹¹ 5 U.S.C. 601-612.

¹² 5 U.S.C. 605(b).

VI. Information Collection Requirements

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations require OMB to approve certain information collection requirements imposed by an agency.¹³ The information collection requirements in this proposed rule are contained in FERC-550 "Oil Pipeline Rates: Tariff filings" (1902-0089).

The Commission's Office of Pipeline Regulation uses the data collected in these information requirements to investigate the rates charged by oil pipeline companies subject to its jurisdiction, to determine the reasonableness of rates, and when appropriate prescribe just and reasonable rates.

The revisions in the proposed rule will not change the reporting requirements of FERC-550. This rule therefore is not subject to OMB review. Nevertheless, the Commission is submitting a copy of the proposed rule to OMB for informational purposes. Interested persons may obtain information on these reporting requirements by contacting the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426 [Attention: Michael Miller, Information Services Division, (202) 208-1415]. Comments on the requirements of this rule can be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB (Attention: Desk Officer for Federal Energy Regulatory Commission), FAX: (202) 395-5167.

VII. Comment Procedures

Copies of this notice of proposed rulemaking can be obtained from the Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, Room 2-A, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. Any person desiring to file comments should submit an original and fourteen (14) copies of such comments to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, not later than June 3, 1996.

All written comments will be placed in the Commission's public files and will be available for public inspection in the Commission's public reference room at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, during regular business hours.

List of Subjects

18 CFR Part 346

Pipelines, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

¹³ 5 CFR 1320.11.

By direction of the Commission.
Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Acting Secretary.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Commission gives notice of its proposal to amend Part 346, Chapter I, Title 18, *Code of Federal Regulations*, as set forth below.

PART 346—OIL PIPELINE COST-OF-SERVICE FILING REQUIREMENTS

1. The authority citation for Part 346 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7101-7352; 49 U.S.C. 60502; 49 App. U.S.C. 1-85.

2. Sections 346.1 introductory text and 346.2 introductory text are proposed to be revised as follows:

§ 346.1 Content of filing for cost-of-service rates.

A carrier that seeks to establish rates pursuant to § 342.2(a) of this chapter, or a carrier that seeks to change rates pursuant to § 342.4(a) of this chapter, or a carrier that otherwise seeks to establish or change rates by filing cost, revenue, and throughput data supporting such rates, must file:

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§ 346.2 Materials in support of initial rates or change in rates.

A carrier that files for rates pursuant to § 342.2(a) or § 342.4(a) of this chapter, or a carrier that otherwise files to establish or change rates by filing cost, revenue, and throughput data supporting such rates, must file the following statements, schedules, and supporting workpapers. The statement, schedules, and workpapers must be based upon an appropriate test period.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Customs Service

19 CFR Part 101

Extension of Port Limits of Columbus, OH

AGENCY: U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: This notice extends the period of time within which interested members of the public may submit comments concerning the proposal to amend the Customs Regulations pertaining to the field organization of

Customs by extending the geographical limits of the port of Columbus, Ohio, to include Rickenbacker Airport which is currently operating as a user fee airport. The comment period is being extended another 30 days.

DATES: Comments are requested on or before May 31, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments (preferably in triplicate) may be addressed to the Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, Franklin Court, 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20229 and inspected at Franklin Court, 1099 14th Street, N.W., Suite 4000, Washington, D.C.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harry Denning, Office of Field Operations, (202) 927-0196.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A document was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 8001) on March 1, 1996, proposing to amend the Customs Regulations pertaining to the field organization of Customs by extending the geographical limits of the port of Columbus, Ohio, to include Rickenbacker Airport which is currently operating as a user fee airport. The document further stated that if the boundaries of the port are extended as proposed, the Customs Regulations would also be amended to remove Rickenbacker Airport's designation as a user fee airport. Customs solicited comments on the proposal and comments were due by April 30, 1996.

Customs has received a request to extend the comment period to allow interested parties to have more time to consider the proposal as the long-term economic development interests of the Greater Columbus Community make it imperative that there be full consideration of the proposal. Customs believes the request has merit. Accordingly, the period of time for the submission of comments is being extended 30 days.

All comments submitted will be available for public inspection in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552), section 1.4, Treasury Department Regulations (31 CFR 1.4), and section 103.11(b), Customs Regulations (19 CFR 103.11(b)), between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on normal business days, at the address stated above.

Dated: April 30, 1996.

Marvin M. Amernick,
Acting Assistant Commissioner, Office of Regulations and Rulings.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

30 CFR Part 904

[SPATS No. AR-027-FOR]

Arkansas Regulatory Program

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM), Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; public comment period and opportunity for public hearing.

SUMMARY: OSM is announcing receipt of a proposed amendment to the Arkansas regulatory program (hereinafter the "Arkansas program") under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (SMCRA). The proposed amendment was submitted at the State's own initiative and consists of revisions to and additions of regulations pertaining to re-mining, water replacement, subsidence damage repair/compensation, and enforcement. Arkansas also proposes to remove duplicated regulation sections for surface and underground mining permit applications pertaining to general requirements for the description of hydrology and geology, groundwater information, surface water information, alternative water supply information, and fish and wildlife resources information. The amendment is intended to incorporate the additional flexibility afforded by the revised Federal regulations, and to enhance the enforcement of the State program.

DATES: Written comments must be received by 4:00 p.m., c.d.t., June 3, 1996. If requested, a public hearing on the proposed amendment will be held on May 28, 1996. Requests to speak at the hearing must be received by 4:00 p.m., c.d.t. on May 20, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and requests to speak at the hearing should be mailed or hand delivered to Mr. Jack R. Carson, Acting Director, Tulsa Field Office, at the address listed below.

Copies of the Arkansas program, the proposed amendment, a listing of any scheduled public hearings, and all written comments received in response to this document will be available for public review at the addresses listed below during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Each requester may receive one free copy of the proposed amendment by contacting OSM's Tulsa Field Office.

Jack R. Carson, Acting Director, Tulsa Field Office, Office of Surface Mining

Reclamation and Enforcement, 5100 East Skelly Drive, Suite 470, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74135-6547, Telephone: (918) 581-6430.

Arkansas Department of Pollution Control and Ecology, Surface Mining and Reclamation Division, 8001 National Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas 72219-8913, Telephone (501) 682-0744.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jack Carson, Acting Director, Tulsa Field Office, Telephone: (918) 581-6430.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background on the Arkansas Program

On November 21, 1980, the Secretary of the Interior conditionally approved the Arkansas program. Background information on the Arkansas program, including the Secretary's findings, the disposition of comments, and the conditions of approval can be found in the November 21, 1980, Federal Register (45 FR 77003). Arkansas amended its program by submitting provisions that satisfied all of the conditions of the Secretary's approval of November 21, 1980. Effective January 22, 1982, OSM removed the conditions of the approval of the Arkansas permanent regulatory program. Information on the removal of the conditions can be found in the January 22, 1982, Federal Register (47 FR 3108). Subsequent actions concerning the conditions of approval and program amendments can be found at 30 CFR 904.12, 904.15, and 904.16.

II. Description of the Proposed Amendment

By letter dated April 2, 1996 (Administrative Record No. AR-557), Arkansas submitted a proposed amendment to its program pursuant to SMCRA. Arkansas submitted the proposed amendment at its own initiative. The provisions of the Arkansas Surface Coal Mining and Reclamation Code (ASCMRC) that Arkansas proposes to amend are:

A. Subchapter A—General

1. *ASCMRC Section 700.10(b) Termination of Jurisdiction*

Arkansas proposed to add this paragraph to include provisions for termination of jurisdiction.

2. *ASCMRC Section 705.5 Definitions*

Arkansas proposes to amend this section by adding, alphabetically, definitions of "drinking, domestic or residential water supply," "land eligible for re-mining," "material damage,"