

f. Presorted rate pieces must contain a 5-digit barcode and be co-packaged with automation rate pieces for the same presort destination. If this optional preparation method is used, all automation rate and Presorted rate pieces in the same mailing job and reported on the same postage statement must be co-packaged.

g. Within a package, all pieces must meet the FSM 881 requirements or all pieces must meet the FSM 1000 requirements described in C820.

h. Mailers must sort Presorted rate pieces and automation rate pieces for each presort destination so that only one physical package for each logical presort destination (see M011) includes both automation rate pieces (containing a ZIP+4 or delivery point barcode) and Presorted rate pieces (containing a 5-digit barcode).

**2.2 Package Preparation**

Package size, preparation sequence, and labeling:

a. Firm: optional (for Presorted rate pieces only under M210.1.4) (two-piece minimum); blue Label F or optional endorsement line (OEL).

b. 5-digit: required (six-piece minimum, fewer not permitted except under 2.3); red Label D or OEL.

c. 3-digit: required (six-piece minimum, fewer not permitted except under 2.3); green Label 3 or OEL.

d. ADC: required (six-piece minimum, fewer not permitted); pink Label A or OEL.

e. Mixed ADC: required (no minimum); tan Label MXD or OEL.

**2.3 Low-Volume Packages in Sacks or on Pallets**

Periodicals 5-digit and 3-digit packages prepared under 2.2, may contain fewer than six pieces when the publisher determines that such preparation improves service. These low-volume packages may be placed in merged 5-digit scheme, merged 5-digit, 5-digit, 3-digit, and SCF sacks or on merged 5-digit scheme, merged 5-digit, 5-digit, 3-digit, or SCF pallets. Presorted rate pieces in such low-volume packages must be claimed at the applicable basic Presorted rate. Automation rate pieces in such low-volume packages must be claimed at the applicable basic automation rate.

**3.0 STANDARD MAIL**

**3.1 Basic Standards**

Effective March 31, 2002, mailers may choose to co-package (see M011) automation rate and Presorted rate pieces as an option to the basic packaging requirements in M610 and

M820, subject to the following conditions:

a. The pieces in the automation rate mailing and the Presorted rate mailing must be part of the same mailing job and must be reported on the appropriate postage statement.

b. The pieces in the mailing job must be flat-size and meet any other size and mailpiece design requirements applicable to the rate category for which they are prepared.

c. Mailings prepared in sacks must meet the basic standards in M910 or M920.

d. Mailings prepared on pallets must meet the basic standards in M045, M920, M930, or M940.

e. A minimum of 200 pieces or 50 pounds of automation rate pieces are required; the Presorted rate mailing may meet the residual volume requirements in E620. The total number of automation rate and Presorted rate pieces must be used to meet the minimum volume requirements for packages and containers.

f. Presorted rate pieces must contain a 5-digit barcode and be co-packaged with automation rate pieces for the same presort destination. If this optional preparation method is used, all automation rate and Presorted rate pieces in the same mailing job and reported on the same postage statement must be co-packaged.

g. Within a package, all pieces must meet the FSM 881 requirements or all pieces must meet the FSM 1000 requirements described in C820.

h. Mailers must sort Presorted rate pieces and automation rate pieces for each presort destination so that only one physical package for each logical presort destination (see M011) includes both Presorted rate pieces (containing a 5-digit barcode) and automation rate pieces (containing a ZIP+4 or delivery point barcode).

**3.2 Package Preparation**

Package size, preparation sequence, and labeling:

a. 5-digit: required (10-piece minimum, fewer not permitted); red Label D or optional endorsement line (OEL)

b. 3-digit: required (10-piece minimum, fewer not permitted); green Label 3 or OEL.

c. ADC: required (10-piece minimum, fewer not permitted); pink Label A or OEL.

d. Mixed ADC: required (no minimum); tan Label MXD or OEL.

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An appropriate amendment to 39 CFR part 111 to reflect these changes will be published.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**40 CFR Part 70**

[DC-T5-2001-01a; FRL-7107-2]

**Clean Air Act Full Approval of Operating Permit Program; District of Columbia; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule**

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

**ACTION:** Withdrawal of direct final rule.

**SUMMARY:** Due to an adverse comment, EPA is withdrawing the direct final rule fully approving the operating permit program of the District of Columbia. In the direct final rule published on October 16, 2001 (66 FR 52538), EPA stated that if adverse comments were received by November 15, 2001, the rule would be withdrawn and not take effect. EPA subsequently received adverse comments. EPA will address the comments received in a subsequent final action based upon the proposed action also published on October 16, 2001 (66 FR 52561). EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The direct final rule is withdrawn as of November 26, 2001.

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**List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 70**

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Intergovernmental relations, Operating permits, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: November 16, 2001.

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Accordingly, the addition of 40 CFR part 70, Appendix A, "District of Columbia", paragraph (b) is withdrawn as of November 26, 2001.

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