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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The reorganization of September 20, 1981, transferred the Departmental responsibility for transportation operations and traffic management from the Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Energy to the Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs.

These amendments are technical, nonsubstantive amendments to a regulation relating to agency management about which there is no substantial issue of law or fact. Accordingly, prior notice and comment are not required, and the amendments can be made effective immediately. Because these amendments relate to agency management, neither E.O. 12291 nor the Regulatory Flexibility Act applies to them. DOE has determined that there are no environmental impacts associated with these amendments.

List of Subjects in 41 CFR Part 109-40

Freight, Government, Property management, Transportation.

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Assistant Secretary for Defense Programs.

PART 109-40—[AMENDED]

In consideration of the foregoing, 41 CFR Part 109-40 is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for Part 109-40 is as follows:

Authority: Sec. 161, as amended, 68 Stat. 948 (42 U.S.C. 2201); sec. 205, as amended, 63 Stat. 390 (40 U.S.C. 486); sec. 644, 91 Stat. 585 (42 U.S.C. 7254).

§ 109-40.000-50 [Amended]

2. Section 109-40.000-50 is amended by inserting "and DOE Order 1540.1" between the word "regulations" and the word "and" in the eleventh line.

§ 109-40.103-2 [Amended]

3. Section 109-40.103-2 is amended to correct the spelling of the word "necessary" in the ninth line.

§ 109-40.109 [Amended]

4. Section 109-40.109 is amended by changing the title of the responsible party at the beginning of the second sentence to "The DOE-HQ Manager, Transportation Operations and Traffic."

§ 109-40.112 [Amended]

5. Section 109-40.112 is amended by changing the word "established" in the sixth line to "establishment."

§ 109-40.5001 [Amended]

6. Section 109-40.5001 is amended by changing the title in the last sentence to

"the DOE-HQ Manager, Transportation Operations and Traffic."

§ 109-50.5101 [Amended]

7. Section 109-50.5101 is amended by changing its number to "§ 109-40.5101" and by changing the title in the last two lines to "the DOE-HQ Manager, Transportation Operations and Traffic."

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Special Programs Administration

49 CFR Parts 172, 173 and 178

[Docket No. HM-56; Amdt. Nos. 107-10, 171-66, 172-74, 173-158, 174-41, 175-23, 177-55, 178-72, 179-31]

Hazardous Materials Regulations; Miscellaneous Amendments

Correction

In FR Doc. 82-26872, beginning on page 43062, in the issue of Thursday, September 30, 1982, make the following corrections:

1. On page 43064, in § 172.101, the second column of the table, line 7, change "substances" to "substance" and in the same table, the fifth column under "Specific requirements", insert the word "to" after "173.61".

2. On page 43065, § 172.101, the fourth column, line 7, correct "oxidize" to read "oxidizer".

3. On page 43065, last column, in § 173.302 line 2 of the formulas, insert "(" before "D²-d²". As corrected, the line reads: "S-P((1.3D²+0.4d²)/(D²-d²)) and inserting,"

4. On page 43067, the first column, insert the following sections before the first entry of § 178.5-9(f):

§ 178.0-3(a)(2)

§ 178.1-4(a)

§ 178.1-8(a)(2)

§ 178.1-9(f)

§ 178.4-4(b)

§ 178.4-7(a)(2)

§ 178.4-8(f)

§ 178.5-7(a)(2)

5. On page 43067, the first column, line 26 from the bottom of the page, correct the entry now reading "§ 178.244-4(a)(2)" to read "§ 178.224-4(a)(2)" and in the second column, line 2, correct "§ 178.57-20(a)(2)" to read "§ 178.57-20(a)(3)".

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49 CFR Parts 192 and 195

[Amdts. 192-43 and 195-24; Docket No. PS-73]

Transportation of Natural and Other Gas and Hazardous Liquids by Pipeline; Inspection and Test Intervals

AGENCY: Materials Transportation Bureau (MTB), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment restates the time intervals in which periodic inspections, tests, and other activities must be conducted. Current requirements do not permit sufficient flexibility in scheduling personnel.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This amendment becomes effective November 22, 1982.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ralph T. Simmons, 202-426-2392. Copies of the amendment may be obtained from the Dockets Branch, Room 8426, Materials Transportation Bureau, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal gas pipeline safety standards in Part 192 and the Federal hazardous liquids pipeline safety standards in Part 195 require pipeline operators to conduct various inspections, tests, and other activities at frequently recurring time intervals. For example, § 195.420 requires that each main line valve on a hazardous liquid pipeline system be inspected at intervals not exceeding 6 months to determine that it is functioning properly.

Petitioners (Interstate Natural Gas Association of America, Mountain Fuel Resources, Inc. (P-8), American Petroleum Institute (P-11), and Explorer Pipeline Company (82-IW)) have argued that such recurring time intervals do not permit sufficient flexibility in scheduling personnel. They stated that the extremes of weather and unexpected delays in scheduled work unavoidably conflict with the specified intervals, but that restating the periodic requirements on a calendar year basis, with longer intervals, would provide the flexibility needed to schedule personnel to meet the requirements without reducing public safety.

Experience shows that requirements for periodic action based on a fixed recurring interval do not allow sufficient flexibility in scheduling personnel. However, minor modifications which extend the intervals without reducing the number of inspections, tests, or other activities that must be performed each year will allow operators more