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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

16 CFR Part 303

Rules and Regulations Under the Textile Fiber Products Identification Act

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission (“FTC” or “Commission”).

ACTION: Extension of the deadline for filing public comments.

SUMMARY: The Commission grants a thirty (30) day extension until February 2, 2012 for filing public comments in response to the Commission’s Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and request for public comment published on November 7, 2011 (“ANPR”).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 2, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties may file a comment online or on paper, by following the instructions in the Request for Comment part of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below. Write “Textile Rules, 16 CFR Part 303, Project No. P948404” on your comment, and file your comment online at <https://ftcpublic.commentworks.com/ftc/textilerulesanpr> by following the instructions on the web-based form. If you prefer to file your comment on paper, mail or deliver your comment to the following address: Federal Trade Commission, Office of the Secretary, Room H-113 (Annex G), 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert M. Frisby, Attorney, (202) 326-2098, or Edwin Rodriguez, Attorney, (202) 326-3147, Division of Enforcement, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20580.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 7, 2011, the Commission published its ANPR (76 FR 68690) seeking comment on the overall costs, benefits, necessity, and regulatory and economic impact of the Commission’s

Rules and Regulations under the Textile Fiber Products Identification Act (“Textile Rules”).¹ The ANPR designated January 3, 2012, as the deadline for filing public comments.

On December 20, 2011, the American Apparel and Footwear Association, the American Fiber Manufacturers Association, Inc., the Canadian Apparel Federation, the National Retail Federation, the Retail Industry Leaders Association, and the U.S. Association of Importers of Textiles and Apparel requested that the Commission extend the comment period for thirty (30) days until February 2, 2012. These six trade associations represent apparel retailers, consumer brand companies, importers, and manufacturers that have a substantial interest in the operation and enforcement of the Textile Rules’ labeling provisions. They state that, to provide useful comments to the Commission, they need sufficient time to consult with and to solicit information from their member companies. They explain that the relevant executives have been largely unavailable for consultation during the November–December holiday season because it is the busiest time of year for their companies. Therefore, they request a thirty (30) day extension of the current deadline to February 2, 2012.

The input of these trade associations would likely assist the Commission in evaluating the Textile Rules’ effectiveness and determining whether and how to amend the Rules. Moreover, the requested short extension of the comment period will not substantially delay the rulemaking process. The Commission recognizes that its ANPR requests comments on complex issues and believes that extending the comment period to facilitate a more complete record outweighs any harm that might result from a thirty (30) day delay. Accordingly, the Commission is extending the comment period for thirty (30) days until February 2, 2012.

By direction of the Commission.

Richard C. Donohue,

Acting Secretary.

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¹ The Commission issued the Textile Rules to implement the Textile Fiber Products Identification Act, 15 U.S.C. 70-70k.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

16 CFR Part 305

RIN 3084-AB03

Rule Concerning Disclosures Regarding Energy Consumption and Water Use of Certain Home Appliances and Other Products Required Under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (“Appliance Labeling Rule”)

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: In a November 28, 2011 **Federal Register** Notice, the Federal Trade Commission (“Commission”) published an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (“ANPR”) on disclosure requirements for heating and cooling equipment. In response to a request, the Commission is extending the comment period from January 10, 2012 to February 6, 2012.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before February 6, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties may file a comment online or on paper, by following the instructions in the Request for Comment part of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below. Write “Regional Labeling for Heating and Cooling Equipment (16 CFR Part 305) (Project No. P114202)” on your comment, and file your comment online at <https://public.commentworks.com/ftc/regional-disclosuresanpr>, by following the instructions on the webbased form. If you prefer to file your comment on paper, mail or deliver your comment to the following address: Federal Trade Commission, Office of the Secretary, Room H-113 (Annex H), 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hampton Newsome, Attorney, (202) 326-2889, Division of Enforcement, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20580.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission is extending the comment period for its ANPR on heating and cooling equipment disclosures to February 6, 2012. The Commission’s November 28, 2011 ANPR (76 FR 72872) solicited comments on possible disclosures for heating and cooling equipment to help industry members

and consumers determine whether equipment meets applicable new Department of Energy ("DOE") efficiency standards for specific regions. The ANPR's comment period ends on January 10, 2012. Shortly after publication of the ANPR, DOE issued a related Notice of Data Availability¹ seeking comments on an enforcement plan for the new regional standards. The FTC disclosures and the DOE plan involve overlapping issues. DOE's comment period ends February 6, 2012.

At a joint December 16, 2011 public meeting about the FTC disclosures and the DOE plan, the American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy requested that the FTC extend its comment deadline to match DOE's February 6, 2012 date. The Commission is extending the deadline as requested. The extension will ensure consistent timing in the FTC and DOE comment periods and will provide additional time for comment preparation.

By direction of the Commission.

Richard C. Donohue

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R08-OAR-2011-0963; FRL-9615-6]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Colorado; Procedural Rules; Conflicts of Interest

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: We are proposing to approve Section 1.11 of Colorado's procedural rules as adopted by the Air Quality Control Commission (Commission) on January 16, 1998 and submitted to EPA as a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision on November 5, 1999. Section 1.11 specifies certain requirements regarding the composition of the Commission and disclosure by its members of potential conflicts of interest. We are also reproposing approval of a portion of Colorado's January 7, 2008 submittal to meet the "infrastructure" requirements of section 110(a)(2) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) for the 1997 8-hour ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), specifically the portion

intended to address the requirements of section 110(a)(2)(E)(ii) of the CAA. We previously proposed approval, 76 FR 28707, of this portion as part of our action on the January 7, 2008 submittal. This action is being taken under section 110 of the CAA.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 3, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R08-OAR-2011-0963, by one of the following methods:

- <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

- *Email:* komp.mark@epa.gov.

- *Fax:* (303) 312-6064 (please alert the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** if you are faxing comments).

- *Mail:* Director, Air Program, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 8, Mailcode 8P-AR, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, Colorado 80202-1129.

- *Hand Delivery:* Director, Air Program, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 8, Mailcode 8P-AR, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, Colorado 80202-1129. Such deliveries are only accepted Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding Federal holidays. Special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-R08-OAR-2011-0963. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through www.regulations.gov or email. The www.regulations.gov Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to EPA, without going through www.regulations.gov your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA

cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>. For additional instructions on submitting comments, go to Section I. General Information of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the www.regulations.gov index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in www.regulations.gov or in hard copy at the Air Program, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, Colorado 80202-1129. EPA requests that if at all possible, you contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section to view the hard copy of the docket. You may view the hard copy of the docket Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., excluding Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Komp, Air Program, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 8, Mailcode 8P-AR, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, Colorado 80202-1129, (303) 312-6022, komp.mark@epa.gov.

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Definitions

For the purpose of this document, we are giving meaning to certain words or initials as follows:

(i) The words or initials *Act* or *CAA* mean or refer to the Clean Air Act, unless the context indicates otherwise.

(ii) The words *EPA*, *we*, *us* or *our* mean or refer to the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

(iii) The initials *SIP* mean or refer to State Implementation Plan.

¹ 76 FR 76328 (Dec. 7, 2011).