

3. Murray, P.R., *et al.*, *Manual of Clinical Microbiology*. Washington, DC: ASM Press; 9th edition, 2007.
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X. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

This final rule establishes an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance under section 408(d) of FFDCA in response to a petition submitted to the Agency. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has exempted these types of actions from review under Executive Order 12866, entitled *Regulatory Planning and Review* (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993). Because this final rule has been exempted from review under Executive Order 12866, this final rule is not subject to Executive Order 13211, entitled *Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use* (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001) or Executive Order 13045, entitled *Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks* (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997). This final rule does not contain any information collections subject to OMB approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*, nor does it require any special considerations under Executive Order 12898, entitled *Federal Actions To Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations* (59 FR 7629, February 16, 1994).

Since tolerances and exemptions that are established on the basis of a petition under section 408(d) of FFDCA, such as the tolerance in this final rule, do not require the issuance of a proposed rule, the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) do not apply.

This final rule directly regulates growers, food processors, food handlers, and food retailers, not States or tribes, nor does this action alter the relationships or distribution of power and responsibilities established by Congress in the preemption provisions of section 408(n)(4) of FFDCA. As such, the Agency has determined that this action will not have a substantial direct effect on States or tribal governments, on the relationship between the national government and the States or tribal governments, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government or between the Federal Government and Indian tribes. Thus, the Agency has determined that Executive Order 13132, entitled *Federalism* (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999) and Executive Order 13175,

entitled *Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments* (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000) do not apply to this final rule. In addition, this final rule does not impose any enforceable duty or contain any unfunded mandate as described under Title II of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (UMRA) (Pub. L. 104–4).

This action does not involve any technical standards that would require Agency consideration of voluntary consensus standards pursuant to section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (NTTAA), Public Law 104–113, section 12(d) (15 U.S.C. 272 note).

XI. Congressional Review Act

The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. EPA will submit a report containing this rule and other required information to the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Comptroller General of the United States prior to publication of this final rule in the **Federal Register**. This final rule is not a “major rule” as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 180

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: December 15, 2011.

Steven Bradbury,

Director, Office of Pesticide Programs.

Therefore, 40 CFR chapter I is amended as follows:

PART 180—[AMENDED]

- 1. The authority citation for part 180 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 321(q), 346a and 371.

- 2. Section 180.308 is added to subpart D to read as follows:

§ 180.308 *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* strain D747; exemption from the requirement of a tolerance.

An exemption from the requirement of a tolerance is established for residues of the microbial pesticide, *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* strain D747 in or on all food commodities when used in accordance with good agricultural practices.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

48 CFR Parts 501, 539, and 552

[GSAR Amendment 2011–03; GSAR Case 2011–G503; (Change 52); Docket 2011–0012, Sequence 1]

RIN 3090–AJ15

General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation; Implementation of Information Technology Security Provision

AGENCY: Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration (GSA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: GSA has adopted as final, with changes, an interim rule amending the General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation (GSAR) to implement policy and guidelines to strengthen the security requirements for contracts and orders that include information technology (IT) supplies, services and systems.

DATES: *Effective Date:* January 6, 2012.

Applicability Date: This amendment applies to contracts and orders awarded after January 6, 2012 that include information technology (IT) supplies, services and systems with security requirements.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Deborah Lague, Procurement Analyst, at (202) 694–8149, for clarification of content. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat at (202) 501–4755. Please cite GSAR Amendment 2011–03, GSAR Case 2011–G503.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The GSA Office of the Inspector General (OIG) conducted an audit of GSA’s information and information technology systems to verify that GSA has met the requirements of the Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (FISMA). The OIG made a recommendation to strengthen the security requirements in contracts and orders for information technology supplies, services and systems. GSA agreed with the OIG recommendation and published an interim rule in the **Federal Register** at 76 FR 34886 on June 15, 2011, with a request for comments. As a result, this final rule implements the interim rule with only minor changes.

II. GSAR Changes

The changes to GSAR Parts 539 and 552 will remain as implemented by the interim rule.

The final rule contains the following changes to GSAR Parts 501 and 552:

- Part 501.106, OMB Approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act, the collection control number is being added for 552.239–71, Security Requirements for Unclassified Information Technology Resources.
- Based on public comment, GSAR Part 552.239–71(k) is revised.

III. Discussion of Comments

Two public comments from one respondent were received in response to the interim rule.

1. *Comment:* The first comment recommended that a specific reference to Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 199 and 200 should be referenced within GSAR Part 539.

Response: Within GSAR section 539.7001(d) and GSAR clause 552.239–71(b), there is a reference and link to the “CIO IT Security Procedural Guide 09–48, “Security Language for Information Technology Acquisitions Efforts.”” This document contains security requirements for protecting the government’s data and systems; this includes the requirements of FIPS 199 and 200. Therefore, the paragraph is not changed.

2. *Comment:* Suggested minor changes to 552.239–71(k). The suggestion changed the language to read as follows: “* * * Access shall be provided to the extent required, in the Government’s judgment, to conduct an inspection, evaluation, investigation or audit * * *”.

Response: The language in 552.239–71(k) will be changed to reflect the proposed change.

IV. Executive Orders 12866 and 13563

Executive Orders 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity). Executive Order 13563 emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits, of reducing costs, of harmonizing rules, and of promoting flexibility. This is a significant regulatory action and, therefore, was subject to review under Section 6(b) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993. This rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804.

V. Regulatory Flexibility Act

This final rule may have a significant economic impact on a substantial

number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, because the rule requires contractors, within 30 days after contract award to submit an IT Security Plan to the contracting officer and contracting officer’s representative that describes the processes and procedures that will be followed to ensure appropriate security of IT resources that are developed, processed, or used under the contract. The rule will also require that contractors submit written proof of IT security authorization six months after award, and verify that the IT Security Plan remains valid annually. Where this information is not already available, this may mean small businesses will need to become familiar with the requirements, research the requirements, develop the documents, submit the information, and create the infrastructure to track, monitor and report compliance with the requirements. However, GSA expects that the impact will be minimal, because the clause includes requirements that IT service contractors should be familiar with through other agency clauses, existing GSA IT security requirements, and Federal laws and guidance. Small businesses are active providers of IT services.

The Regulatory Secretariat has submitted a copy of the Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis (FRFA) to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration. A copy of the FRFA may be obtained from the Regulatory Secretariat.

The analysis is summarized as follows:

This rule will require that contractors submit an IT Security Plan that complies with applicable Federal laws including, but are not limited to, 40 U.S.C. 11331, the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) of 2002, and the E-Government Act of 2002. The plan shall meet IT security requirements in accordance with Federal and GSA policies and procedures.

GSA will use this information to verify that the contractor is securing GSA’s information technology data and systems from unauthorized use, as well as use the information to assess compliance and measure progress in carrying out the requirements for IT security.

The requirements for submission of the plan will be inserted in solicitations that include information technology supplies, services or systems in which the contractor will have physical or electronic access to government information that directly supports the mission of GSA. As such it is believed that contract actions awarded to small business will be identified in FPDS under the Product Service Code D—ADP and Telecommunication Services. The requirements of the plan apply to all work performed under the contract: Whether

performed by the prime contractor or subcontractor.

Based on the average of fiscal year 2009 and 2010 Federal Procurement Data System retrieved, it is estimated that 80 small businesses will be affected annually.

GSA did not identify any significant alternatives that would accomplish the objectives of the rule. Collection of information on a basis other than by individual contractors is not practical. The contractor is the only one who has the records necessary for the collection.

VI. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35) applies. The rule contains information collection requirements. OMB has cleared this information collection requirement under OMB Control Number 3090–0294, titled: Implementation of Information Technology Security Provision.

Section 501.106, OMB Approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act, the chart will be revised to include the OMB approval of the collection requirement from 552.239–71, Security Requirements for Unclassified Information Technology Resources. The collection request was defined in the interim rule; however no OMB control number was available at time of the interim rule publication. The information collection request was posted in the **Federal Register** at 76 FR 781010, December 15, 2011, and is currently requesting comments. Any comments received will be addressed in a subsequent **Federal Register** document.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Parts 501, 539, and 552

Government procurement.

Dated: December 23, 2011.

Joseph A. Neurauter,

Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration.

Accordingly, the interim rule amending 48 CFR parts 539 and 552, which was published in the **Federal Register** at 76 FR 34886 on June 15, 2011, is adopted as final with the following changes and part 501 is amended as follows:

- 1. The authority citation for 48 CFR parts 501 and 552 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 40 U.S.C. 121(c).

PART 501—GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION ACQUISITION REGULATION SYSTEM

501.106 [Amended]

- 2. Amend section 501.106 by adding the GSAR Reference number “552.239–

71", in numerical sequence, and its corresponding OMB Control No. "3090-0294".

PART 552—SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES

■ 3. Amend section 552.239-71 by revising the date of the clause and paragraph (k) to read as follows:

552.239-71 Security Requirements for Unclassified Information Technology Resources.

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Security Requirements for Unclassified Information Technology Resources [JAN 2012]

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(k) *GSA access.* The Contractor shall afford GSA access to the Contractor's and subcontractors' facilities, installations, operations, documentation, databases, IT systems and devices, and personnel used in performance of the contract, regardless of the location. Access shall be provided to the extent required, in GSA's judgment, to conduct an inspection, evaluation, investigation or audit, including vulnerability testing to safeguard against threats and hazards to the integrity, availability and confidentiality of GSA data or to the function of information technology systems operated on behalf of GSA, and to preserve evidence of computer crime. This information shall be available to GSA upon request.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

49 CFR Part 571

[Docket No. NHTSA-2011-0185]

RIN 2127-AK89

Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Matters Incorporated by Reference

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Final rule; technical amendments.

SUMMARY: This final rule updates and consolidates all of the references to the many standards and practices that are incorporated by reference into the Federal motor vehicle safety standards (FMVSSs). Although this part already contains a section regarding publications incorporated by reference,

the list in that section is incomplete and has not been updated regularly. Instead, in many cases, materials have been incorporated piecemeal into individual FMVSSs. This final rule moves those scattered references into the centralized list so that it contains all of the references. Additionally, this final rule removes one obsolete FMVSS, No. 208a, as well as various obsolete provisions in other FMVSSs. Those provisions are applicable to vehicles and equipment manufactured before dates that have already passed and are no longer needed in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR).

DATES: The effective date of this final rule is February 6, 2012, except for the amendments to 49 CFR 571.108, which are effective December 1, 2012. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of February 6, 2012. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in 49 CFR 571.108 is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of December 1, 2012.

Petitions for reconsideration must be received by February 21, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Petitions for reconsideration must be submitted to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact William H. Shakely of the NHTSA Office of Chief Counsel, NCC-110, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: (202) 366-2992; Facsimile: (202) 366-3820.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Discussion

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR Part 51, when NHTSA wishes to incorporate the standards and practices of other standardizing bodies into its FMVSSs, it may incorporate those materials by reference instead of reproducing them verbatim in the FMVSS. It must, however, obtain the approval of the Director of the Federal Register for each such incorporation. This final rule updates and consolidates all of the references to the many standards and practices that are incorporated by reference into the FMVSSs in Part 571. Although this part already contains a section devoted to materials incorporated by reference, § 571.5, *Matter Incorporated by Reference*, the list is incomplete in that section and has not been updated regularly. Instead, in many cases, materials have been incorporated

piecemeal into individual FMVSSs throughout Part 571.

This final rule moves those scattered references into the centralized list and moves the individual "incorporation by reference" paragraphs contained in some of the sections of Part 571 into § 571.5 so that all of the incorporations appear in one location in that part. Additionally, we are revising other paragraphs in the sections of Part 571 in order to include citations to § 571.5 when incorporated materials are referenced and to correct grammatical errors. This rule does not substantively alter or remove from Part 571 any of the existing incorporations by reference, except for those publications that are only referenced in the obsolete standard and provisions that, as discussed below, are being removed from the CFR. However, this rule does make minor textual changes to the citations to the publications incorporated by reference.

Specifically, this rule standardizes the format used to reference the various materials incorporated by reference and makes minor corrections to reflect the accurate titles of these materials. Additionally this rule incorporates the most recently reappraised versions of several ASTM International standards.¹ These versions are identical to the versions of the standards currently incorporated by reference. This rule also amends the title of the American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists (AATCC) "Geometric Gray Scale," referenced in FMVSS Nos. 209 and 213, to its current title, "Gray Scale for Evaluating Change in Color."² These amendments do not alter the substance of any of the sections of Part 571 nor do they alter the requirements of the FMVSSs contained therein.

In addition to consolidating the list of materials incorporated by reference, this rule amends § 571.5 to include updated language regarding how the public may obtain copies of the incorporated materials, including new procedures for

¹ These standards are ASTM E1337-90 and ASTM E1136-93. Various reappraisal years are cited in the FMVSSs in which these two standards are referenced. Additionally, several FMVSSs inadvertently omit the version designation in the citations to ASTM E1136-93. This document incorporates by reference ASTM E1337-90 (Reapproved 2008), and ASTM E1136-93 (Reapproved 2003). When ASTM International reappraises a standard, it merely renews the standard as is and makes no revisions. These versions are identical to those currently referenced in the various sections of Part 571.

² Grades 1 through 5 on the scale, including No. 2, which is the only grade referenced in the FMVSSs, have not been changed since the scale was adopted in 1954. The only substantive change since that time is the addition of half-grades (e.g., 1-2, 2-3). However, this change does not alter the requirements of the FMVSSs that incorporate the scale.