

## Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers and Titles

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance program numbers and titles for this rule are 64.109, Veterans Compensation for Service-Connected Disability; and 64.110, Veterans Dependency and Indemnity Compensation for Service-Connected Death.

### Signing Authority

The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or designee, approved this document and authorized the undersigned to sign and submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs. John R. Gingrich, Chief of Staff, Department of Veterans Affairs, approved this document on April 5, 2012, for publication.

### List of Subjects in 38 CFR Part 3

Administrative practice and procedure, Claims, Disability benefits, Health care, Pensions, Radioactive materials, Veterans, Vietnam.

Dated: August 7, 2012.

#### Robert C. McFetridge,

*Director, Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

For the reasons set out in the preamble, VA proposes to amend 38 CFR part 3 as follows:

## PART 3—ADJUDICATION

### Subpart A—Pension, Compensation, and Dependency and Indemnity Compensation

1. The authority citation for part 3, subpart A continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 38 U.S.C. 501(a), unless otherwise noted.

2. In § 3.307(a)(6)(ii), remove the term “acute and subacute peripheral neuropathy” and add, in its place, “early-onset peripheral neuropathy”.

3. Amend § 3.309(e) by:

a. Removing the term “Acute and subacute peripheral neuropathy” and adding, in its place, “Early-onset peripheral neuropathy”.

b. Removing Note 2.

c. Redesignating Note 3 as Note 2.

4. Amend § 3.816(b)(2) by:

a. In the introductory text, removing “before October 1, 2002.”

b. In the introductory text, removing the period after “chloracne” and all that follows through the end of the introductory text and adding, in its place, “, as provided in § 3.309(e).”

c. Removing paragraphs (i) through (ix).

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 271

[EPA–R06–RCRA–2010–0307; FRL–9713–2]

### Arkansas: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The State of Arkansas has applied to EPA for Final authorization of the changes to its hazardous waste program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). EPA proposes to grant Final authorization to the State of Arkansas. In the “Rules and Regulations” section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is authorizing the changes by a direct final rule. EPA did not make a proposal prior to the immediate final rule because we believe this action is not controversial and do not expect comments that oppose it. We have explained the reasons for this authorization in the preamble to the immediate final rule. Unless we get written comments which oppose this authorization during the comment period, the immediate final rule will become effective on the date it establishes, and we will not take further action on this proposal. If we receive comments that oppose this action, we will withdraw the immediate final rule and it will not take effect. We will then respond to public comments in a later final rule based on this proposal. You may not have another opportunity for comment. If you want to comment on this action, you must do so at this time.

**DATES:** Send your written comments by September 10, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to Alima Patterson, Region 6, Regional Authorization Coordinator, (6PD–O), Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division, at the address shown below. You can examine copies of the materials submitted by the State of Arkansas during normal business hours at the following locations: Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, 8101 Interstate 30, Little Rock, Arkansas 72219–8913, (501) 682–0876, and EPA, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202–2733, phone number (214) 665–8533; or Comments may also be

submitted electronically or through hand delivery/courier; please follow the detailed instructions in the **ADDRESSES** section of the immediate final rule which is located in the Rules section of this **Federal Register**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alima Patterson (214) 665–8533.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** For additional information, please see the immediate final rule published in the “Rules and Regulations” section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: July 10, 2012.

**Samuel Coleman,**

*Acting Regional Administrator, Region 6.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

### 48 CFR Part 19 and 35

[FAR Case 2012–015; Docket 2012–0015; Sequence 1]

RIN 9000–AM33

### Federal Acquisition Regulation; Small Business Set Asides for Research and Development Contracts

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** DoD, GSA, and NASA are proposing to amend the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to clarify that contracting officers shall set aside acquisitions for research and development, when there is also a reasonable expectation, as a result of market research, that there are small businesses capable of providing the best scientific and technological approaches.

**DATES:** Interested parties should submit written comments to the Regulatory Secretariat at one of the addressees shown below on or before October 9, 2012 to be considered in the formation of the final rule.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments in response to FAR Case 2012–015 by any of the following methods:

- *Regulations.gov:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching for “FAR Case 2012–015.” Select the link “Submit a Comment”