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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

5 CFR Part 9501

RIN 3206-AL02

Office of Personnel Management Criteria for Internal Revenue Service Broadbanding Systems

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) hereby withdraws a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) regarding the criteria governing the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) broadbanding systems, published in the *Federal Register* April 17, 2007. OPM has determined withdrawal of the NPRM is appropriate as it would be impractical to issue this rule at this time.

DATES: *Effective Date:* The proposed rule, published on April 17, 2007, in the *Federal Register* (72 FR 19126), is withdrawn as of October 31, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Melvin, Senior Human Resources Specialist, Office of Personnel Management, Employee Services, Pay and Leave, Room 7H31, 1900 E Street NW., Washington, DC 20415. *Email:* jennifer.melvin@opm.gov; *Telephone:* (202) 606-2858; or *Facsimile:* (202) 606-0824.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under 5 U.S.C. 9509, the Secretary of the Treasury may, under criteria prescribed by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), establish one or more broadbanding systems covering all or any portion of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) workforce that would otherwise be covered by the General Schedule (GS) pay and classification system. OPM published its criteria for

IRS broadbanding systems as a final notice in the *Federal Register* on December 19, 2000 (65 FR 79433) and the criteria in that notice are still in effect.

On April 17, 2007, OPM issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in the *Federal Register* (72 FR 19126) to amend title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, to establish a new chapter XCV and part 9501 providing revised criteria for IRS broadbanding systems. The proposed regulations would have provided the Department of the Treasury with the flexibility, in coordination with OPM, to establish broader bands for covered IRS employees and would have established a more direct relationship between pay and performance. The proposed regulations would have also revised the criteria consistent with changes in the GS pay administration rules made by the Federal Workforce Flexibility Act of 2004 and OPM implementing regulations.

The comment period for the NPRM closed on June 18, 2007. OPM received and considered all five written comments in response to the NPRM. Comments were received from one Federal agency, one labor organization, two professional associations, and one individual. The following is a general overview of the comments OPM received during the public comment period raised in connection with the merits of the proposed rule.

The comments received were varied. The main items of concern included the role of labor organizations in applying the IRS broadbanding system authority and OPM criteria, the maximum number of grades that may be combined into a band, the requirements and flexibilities for providing various within-band pay adjustments, performance ratings and the IRS performance management system, limitations on the maximum rates of pay for bands, and the flexibility to establish control points that limit salary progression within bands. Several commenters also asked for clarification regarding the language used in various parts of the proposed rule.

Office of Personnel Management.

Katherine Archuleta,
Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

9 CFR Part 94

[Docket No. APHIS-2014-0032]

Importation of Beef From a Region in Argentina

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: We are reopening the comment period for our proposed rule that would allow, under certain conditions, the importation of fresh (chilled or frozen) beef from a region in Argentina located north of Patagonia South and Patagonia North B, referred to as Northern Argentina. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published on August 29, 2014 (79 FR 51508) is reopened. We will consider all comments that we receive on or before December 29, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2014-0032>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2014-0032, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at <http://www.regulations.gov#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2014-0032> or in our reading room, which is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 799-7039 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Silvia Kreindel, Senior Staff Veterinarian, Regionalization Evaluation Services, National Import Export Services, Veterinary Services, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 38, Riverdale, MD 20737-1231; (301) 851-3313.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 29, 2014, we published in the *Federal Register* (79 FR 51508-51514, Docket No. APHIS-2014-0032) a proposal to allow, under certain conditions, the

importation of fresh (chilled or frozen) beef from a region in Argentina located north of Patagonia South and Patagonia North B, referred to as Northern Argentina.

Comments on the proposed rule were required to be received on or before October 28, 2014. We are reopening the comment period on Docket No. APHIS-2014-0032 for an additional 60 days. We will also accept all comments received between October 29, 2014 (the day after the close of the original comment period) and the date of this document. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 450, 7701-7772, 7781-7786, and 8301-8317; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.4.

Done in Washington, DC, this 27th day of October 2014.

Kevin Shea,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

10 CFR Parts 429 and 430

[Docket No. EERE-2014-BT-TP-0007]

RIN: 1904-AD17

Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Ceiling Fan Light Kits

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: In this notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) proposes to revise its test procedures for ceiling fan light kits (CFLKs). DOE proposes to update the current test procedures (appendix V) by replacing references to ENERGY STAR test procedures with references to DOE lamps test procedures for medium screw base lamps and to industry test procedures for pin-based fluorescent lamps. DOE also proposes to establish new test procedures (appendix V1) that would support amendments to CFLK energy conservation standards that are currently being considered by DOE. Specifically, these new test procedures would establish an efficacy-based metric for all lamps packaged with CFLKs and for CFLKs with integrated solid-state lighting circuitry. DOE proposes that CFLKs with lamp types without corresponding DOE test procedures would be tested using

current industry test procedures for those lamp types. This NOPR also clarifies the energy conservation standards for ceiling fan light kits by replacing references to ENERGY STAR with tables that contain the specific performance requirements from the ENERGY STAR documents. Finally, DOE also addresses standby and off-mode power consumption and provides updated guidance related to accent lighting in CFLKs. DOE is also announcing a public meeting to discuss and receive comments on the content presented in this rulemaking.

DATES:

Meeting: DOE will hold two public meetings on November 18, 2014 and November 19, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., in Washington, DC. The meeting will also be broadcast as a webinar. See section V, "Public Participation," for webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants.

Comments: DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR) before and after the public meeting, but no later than January 14, 2015. See section V, "Public Participation," for details.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting on November 18 will be held at the U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 8E-089, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121. The public meeting on November 19 will be held at the U.S. Department of Energy, Forrestal Building, Room 6E-069, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121.

For additional information about attending the meeting, see section V of this document, "Public Participation."

Any comments submitted must identify the NOPR for Test Procedures for CFLKs and provide docket number EE-2014-BT-TP-0007 and/or regulatory information number (RIN) number 1904-AD17. Comments may be submitted using any of the following methods:

1. *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
2. *Email:* CFLK2014TP0007@ee.doe.gov. Include the docket number and/or RIN in the subject line of the message.
3. *Postal Mail:* Ms. Brenda Edwards, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Program, Mailstop EE-5B, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC, 20585-0121. If possible, please submit all items on a

compact disc (CD), in which case it is not necessary to include printed copies.

4. *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Ms. Brenda Edwards, U.S. Department of Energy, Building Technologies Program, 950 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Suite 600, Washington, DC, 20024. Telephone: (202) 586-2945. If possible, please submit all items on a CD. It is not necessary to include printed copies.

For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see section V of this document, "Public Participation."

Docket: The docket is available for review at www.regulations.gov, including **Federal Register** notices, public meeting attendee lists and transcripts, comments, and other supporting documents/materials. All documents in the docket are listed in the www.regulations.gov index. However, not all documents listed in the index may be publicly available, such as information that is exempt from public disclosure.

A link to the docket Web page can be found at: <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=EERE-2014-BT-TP-0007>. This Web page will contain a link to the docket for this notice on the www.regulations.gov Web site. The www.regulations.gov Web page contains simple instructions on how to access all documents, including public comments, in the docket. See section V, "Public Participation," for information on how to submit comments through www.regulations.gov.

For further information on how to submit a comment, review other public comments and the docket, or participate in the public meeting, contact Ms. Brenda Edwards at (202) 586-2945 or by email: Brenda.Edwards@ee.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lucy deButts, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Building Technologies Program, EE-5B, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC, 20585-0121. Telephone: (202) 287-1604. Email: ceiling_fan_light_kits@ee.doe.gov.

Ms. Jennifer Tiedeman, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of the General Counsel, GC-71, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC, 20585-0121. Telephone: (202) 287-6111. Email: Jennifer.Tiedeman@hq.doe.gov.

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