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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

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I. Introduction

On August 23, 2019, the Postal Service filed a petition pursuant to 39 CFR 3050.11 requesting that the Commission initiate a rulemaking proceeding to consider changes to analytical principles relating to periodic reports.¹ The Petition identifies the proposed analytical changes filed in this docket as Proposal Seven.

II. Proposal Seven

Background. Proposal Seven relates to the methodology used to allocate accrued costs for supervisors at delivery units on Sundays and holidays. Petition, Proposal Seven at 1. Total costs for supervisors are developed in the Cost and Revenue Analysis (CRA). *Id.* Currently, the share of these total costs for supervisors at customer service offices on Sundays and holidays is determined using sampling from the In-Office Cost System (IOCS). *Id.*

Proposal. The Postal Service's proposal seeks to replace the IOCS sampling used in the current methodology with data from the Time and Attendance Collection System (TACS). *Id.* Under the revised methodology, the Postal Service would "determine the share of costs for supervisors at delivery units on Sundays and holidays, and then distribute these costs to products using the same distribution key used for city carriers delivering packages on Sundays and holidays." *Id.* at 2. The share of the

¹Petition of the United States Postal Service for the Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposal Seven), August 23, 2019 (Petition). The Postal Service filed a notice of filing of public and non-public materials relating to Proposal Seven. Notice of Filing of USPS-RM2019-12/1 and USPS-RM2019-12/NP1 and Application for Nonpublic Treatment, August 23, 2019. The Postal Service also filed a Revised Notice of Filing of USPS-RM2019-12/1 and USPS-RM2019-12/NP1 and Application for Nonpublic Treatment—Errata, August 26, 2019.

costs "would be calculated by using the share of wage-adjusted workhours clocked to corresponding supervisor activities and represented by a new IOCS activity code 7720." *Id.* The costs would then be allocated to products by using the Product Tracking and Reporting (PTR) distribution key for products delivered on Sundays and holidays. *Id.*

Rationale and impact. The Postal Service notes that Proposal Seven would update the methodology for costs for supervisors on Sundays and holidays to be "consistent with the recently approved change to the costing for city carriers on those days." *Id.* at 3. The Postal Service comments that TACS clock ring data "provides a more robust estimate of supervisor costs." *Id.* The Postal Service states that IOCS sampling presents "practical challenges . . . that may lead to systematic errors in the IOCS-based estimates of total costs for carrier work assignments, which includes acting as a supervisor." *Id.* For this reason, the Postal Service argues that the proposed methodology "would eliminate a potential source of bias." *Id.* at 4.

III. Notice and Comment

The Commission establishes Docket No. RM2019-12 for consideration of matters raised by the Petition. More information on the Petition may be accessed via the Commission's website at <http://www.prc.gov>. Interested persons may submit comments on the Petition and Proposal Seven no later than September 26, 2019. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Lawrence Fenster is designated as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding.

IV. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. RM2019-12 for consideration of the matters raised by the Petition of the United States Postal Service for the Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposal Seven), filed August 23, 2019.

2. Comments by interested persons in this proceeding are due no later than September 26, 2019.

3. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, the Commission appoints Lawrence Fenster to serve as an officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in this docket.

4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this order in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

Darcie S. Tokioka,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 62

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2019-0298; FRL-9998-65-OAR]

RIN 2060-AU49

General Provisions Amendments: Incorporation by Reference of State Plans

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is proposing to amend the Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants, General Provisions to clarify the process by which state plans for the control of pollutants and facilities are incorporated by reference into this part. This action is intended to update and modify the outdated General Provisions that note that state plans are incorporated by reference and that describe the availability of state plans. Concurrently, EPA is also taking direct final action on these amendments. If we receive no significant adverse comment, we will not take further action on this proposed rule.

DATES:

Comments. Comments must be received on or before October 15, 2019, or 30 days after date of public hearing, if one is requested.

Public hearing. If anyone contacts us requesting a public hearing on or before September 4, 2019, we will hold a hearing. Additional information about the hearing, if requested, will be published in a subsequent **Federal Register** document and posted at <https://www.epa.gov/stationary-sources-air-pollution/amendments-general-provisions-part-62-incorporation-reference-clean>. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for information on registering and attending a public hearing.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2019-0298, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov/> (our preferred method). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

• *Email:* a-and-r-docket@epa.gov. Include Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2019-0298 in the subject line of the message.

• *Fax:* (202) 566-9744. Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2019-0298.

• *Mail:* U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA Docket Center, Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2019-0298, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460.

• *Hand/Courier Delivery:* EPA Docket Center, WJC West Building, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20004. The Docket Center's hours of operation are 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Monday–Friday (except federal holidays).

Instructions: All submissions received must include the Docket ID No. for this rulemaking. Comments received may be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on sending comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions about this proposed action, contact Jodi Howard, Sector Policies and Programs Division (D205-02), Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711; telephone number: (919) 541-4607; fax number: (919) 541-4991; and email address: howard.jodi@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Public hearing.* Please contact Nancy Perry at (919-541-5628 or at perry.nancy@epa.gov to request a hearing, to determine if a hearing will be held, or to register to speak at the hearing, if one is held.

Docket. The EPA has established a docket for this rulemaking under Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2019-0298. All documents in the docket are listed in [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov). Although listed, some information is not publicly available, e.g., Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) or in hard copy at the EPA Docket Center, Room 3334, WJC West Building, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC. The Public Reading

Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the EPA Docket Center is (202) 566-1742.

Instructions. Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2019-0298. The EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through <https://www.regulations.gov> or email. This type of information should be submitted by mail as discussed below.

The EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should include discussion of all points you wish to make. The EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (*i.e.*, on the Web, cloud, or other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit <https://www.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets>.

The <https://www.regulations.gov> website allows you to submit your comment anonymously, which means the 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 the EPA without going through <https://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, the EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any digital storage media you submit. If the EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, the EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should not include special characters or any form of encryption and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information

about the EPA's public docket, visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Submitting CBI. Do not submit information containing CBI to the EPA through <https://www.regulations.gov> or email. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information on any digital storage media that you mail to the EPA, mark the outside of the digital storage media as CBI and then identify electronically within the digital storage media the specific information that is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comments that includes information claimed as CBI, you must submit a copy of the comments that does not contain the information claimed as CBI directly to the public docket through the procedures outlined in *Instructions* above. If you submit any digital storage media that does not contain CBI, mark the outside of the digital storage media clearly that it does not contain CBI. Information not marked as CBI will be included in the public docket and the EPA's electronic public docket without prior notice. Information marked as CBI will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 2. Send or deliver information identified as CBI only to the following address: OAQPS Document Control Officer (C404-02), OAQPS, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2019-0298.

I. Why is the EPA issuing this proposed rule?

The EPA is issuing both a proposal and a direct final rule amending §§ 62.02, 62.10, and 62.12 of subpart A of 40 CFR part 62. As further discussed in the direct final rule action, these amendments update and clarify provisions relating to the Incorporation by Reference (IBR) of state plans approved, in accordance with Clean Air Act sections 111(d) and 129, by the EPA, including information concerning the availability of such plans.

The EPA is taking direct final action because we view the revisions as administrative, noncontroversial, and anticipate no significant adverse comments. The EPA has identified the specific revisions and explained our reasons for these revisions in the direct final rule. At the same time, the EPA is proposing to make the same amendments. If no significant adverse comments are received, no further action will be taken on the proposal,

and the direct final rule will become effective as provided in that action.

If the EPA receives significant adverse comments, we will withdraw the direct final rule. The EPA will publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register**. If the direct final rule in the Rules and Regulations section of this **Federal Register** is withdrawn, all comments will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposal. The EPA will not institute a second comment period pertaining to the revisions on the subsequent final action. Any parties interested in commenting should do so at this time.

The amendments to the regulatory text proposed in this notice are identical to the amendments made in the direct final rule published in the Rules and Regulations section of this **Federal Register**. For further supplementary information and the rationale for the proposal and the regulatory revisions, see the direct final rule published in the Rules and Regulations section of this **Federal Register**.

II. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

For a complete discussion of the administrative requirements applicable to this action, see the direct final rule in the Rules and Regulations section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 15, 2019.

Andrew R. Wheeler,
Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 174 and 180

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2019-0041; FRL-9998-15]

Receipt of a Pesticide Petition Filed for Residues of Pesticide Chemicals in or on Various Commodities (July 2019)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of filing of petition and request for comment.

SUMMARY: This document announces the Agency's receipt of an initial filing of a pesticide petition requesting the establishment or modification of regulations for residues of pesticide chemicals in or on various commodities.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 30, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number by one of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

- **Mail:** OPP Docket, Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), (28221T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001.

- **Hand Delivery:** To make special arrangements for hand delivery or delivery of boxed information, please follow the instructions at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/contacts.html>. Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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RDfRNNotices@epa.gov; or Robert McNally, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division (7511P), main telephone number: (703) 305-7090, email address: BPPDFRNotices@epa.gov. The mailing address for each contact person is: Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001. As part of the mailing address, include the contact person's name, division, and mail code. The division to contact is listed at the end of each pesticide petition summary.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this action apply to me?

You may be potentially affected by this action if you are an agricultural producer, food manufacturer, or pesticide manufacturer. The following list of North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather provides a guide to help readers determine whether this document applies to them. Potentially affected entities may include:

- Crop production (NAICS code 111).
- Animal production (NAICS code 112).
- Food manufacturing (NAICS code 311).
- Pesticide manufacturing (NAICS code 32532).

B. What should I consider as I prepare my comments for EPA?

1. **Submitting CBI.** Do not submit this information to EPA through [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or email. Clearly mark

the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD-ROM that you mail to EPA, mark the outside of the disk or CD-ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD-ROM the specific information that is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

2. **Tips for preparing your comments.** When preparing and submitting your comments, see the commenting tips at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/comments.html>.

3. **Environmental justice.** EPA seeks to achieve environmental justice, the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of any group, including minority and/or low-income populations, in the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. To help address potential environmental justice issues, the Agency seeks information on any groups or segments of the population who, as a result of their location, cultural practices, or other factors, may have atypical or disproportionately high and adverse human health impacts or environmental effects from exposure to the pesticides discussed in this document, compared to the general population.

II. What action is the Agency taking?

EPA is announcing receipt of a pesticide petition filed under section 408 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a, requesting the establishment or modification of regulations in 40 CFR part 174 and part 180 for residues of pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities. The Agency is taking public comment on the request before responding to the petitioner. EPA is not proposing any particular action at this time. EPA has determined that the pesticide petition described in this document contains data or information prescribed in FFDCA section 408(d)(2), 21 U.S.C. 346a(d)(2); however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data supports granting of the pesticide petition. After considering the public comments, EPA intends to evaluate whether and what action may be warranted. Additional data may be needed before EPA can make a final determination on this pesticide petition.