

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 165****[Docket No. USCG–2022–0846]****Safety Zone; Annual Fireworks Displays and Other Events in the Eighth Coast Guard District Requiring Safety Zones****AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.**ACTION:** Notification of enforcement of regulation.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard will enforce a safety zone for the Crescent City Countdown Club/New Year's Celebration fireworks display, from December 31, 2022 at 11:30 p.m. through January 1, 2023 at 12:30 a.m., to provide for the safety of life on the navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation for annual fireworks displays and other events in the Eighth Coast Guard District identifies this safety zone on Mississippi River mile marker (MM) 93.5–96.5, New Orleans, LA. During the enforcement period, entry into this zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port or designated representative.

**DATES:** The regulations in 33 Code of Federal Regulations, § 165.801, Table 5, line 10 will be enforced from 11:30 p.m. on December 31, 2022 through 12:30 a.m. on January 1, 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions about this notification of enforcement, call or email Lieutenant Commander William Stewart, Sector New Orleans, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone (504)365–2246, email [William.A.Stewart@uscg.mil](mailto:William.A.Stewart@uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Coast Guard will enforce a safety zone for the Crescent City Countdown Club/New Year's Celebration fireworks display, from December 31, 2022 at 11:30 p.m. through January 1, 2023 at 12:30 a.m., to provide for the safety of life on the navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation for annual fireworks displays and other events in the Eighth Coast Guard District, 33 CFR 165.801, as updated by **Federal Register** Document 83 FR 55488, identifies this safety zone on Mississippi River MM 93.5–96.5, New Orleans, LA. During the enforcement period, as reflected in § 165.801(a) through (d), entry into this zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port or a designated representative.

In addition to this notification of enforcement in the **Federal Register**, the

Coast Guard plans to provide notification of this enforcement period via Marine Safety Information Bulletin and Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

Dated: December 15, 2022.

**K.K. Denning,***Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Sector New Orleans.*

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**BILLING CODE 9110–04–P****DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS****38 CFR Part 3****Processing Claims, Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring Our Promise To Address Comprehensive Toxics Act of 2022, or the Honoring Our PACT Act of 2022****AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs.**ACTION:** Notification of sub-regulatory guidance.

**SUMMARY:** On August 10, 2022, the President signed the Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act of 2022, or the Honoring our PACT Act of 2022 (PACT Act) into law, establishing substantial legislative changes in laws administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

**DATES:** VA anticipates that the processing of PACT Act-related claims will begin on January 1, 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Jessica Pierce, Assistant Director, Policy Staff, Compensation Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC, 202–461–9700. (This is not a toll-free number.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** VA is drafting regulations to implement the PACT Act. Prior to the promulgation of those regulations, VA is providing sub-regulatory guidance to claims processors in the form of a Policy Letter. The Policy Letter, as it will be provided to claims processors, can be found as a supporting document at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

On August 10, 2022, Public Law 117–168, the Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act of 2022, was signed into law. This historic, multifaceted law, which triggers changes to disability compensation examination requirements when there is evidence a Veteran has participated in a toxic exposure risk activity, expands presumptive locations associated with

radiation exposure, expands presumptive conditions and locations associated with herbicide exposure, amends the statute involving certain benefits for Persian Gulf War Veterans, establishes presumptive conditions associated with exposure to burn pits and other toxins, and provides an avenue for a claimant-elected reevaluation of previously denied dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC) claims that can result in retroactive effective dates for benefits.

Although the PACT Act does not explicitly require VA to implement its provisions through regulations, VA currently is drafting regulations to codify the statutory changes in regulation and to address any gaps and ambiguity in the statutory language. Due to the time required to promulgate regulations, VA will implement the law and begin processing PACT Act-related claims on January 1, 2023, based on the sub-regulatory guidance contained in the Policy Letter associated with this Notice. The issuance of this Policy Letter has the benefit of allowing VA to operationalize the PACT Act and deliver earned benefits to Veterans and their dependents as quickly as possible while simultaneously continuing efforts to promulgate the implementing regulations. Nothing in this guidance affects or alters section 804 of the Camp Lejeune Justice Act of 2022.

The PACT Act contains nine titles, each containing multiple sections. Not all titles and sections impact compensation, pension and/or death benefits, as the law also addresses matters such as the expansion of health care eligibility and requirements for research studies. This Policy Letter focuses on the titles and sections that impact eligibility for disability compensation and survivor benefits. The Policy Letter provides guidance to claims processors for implementing the provisions of sections 102, 203, 204, 302, 303, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405 and 406 of this law.

**Signing Authority**

Denis McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, approved this document on November 15, 2022, 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.

**Luvenia Potts,**

*Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy & Management, Office of the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**40 CFR Part 52**

[EPA–R09–OAR–2021–0318; FRL–10004–02–R9]

**Air Plan Approval; California; San Diego County Air Pollution Control District; San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District**

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is taking final action to approve revisions to the San Diego

County Air Pollution Control District (SDCAPCD) and San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District (SJVUAPCD) portions of the California State Implementation Plan (SIP). These revisions concern emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) from architectural coating operations. We are approving local rules that regulate these emission sources under the Clean Air Act (CAA or the Act).

**DATES:** These rules is effective January 23, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** The EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID No. EPA–R09–OAR–2021–0318. All documents in the docket are listed on the <https://www.regulations.gov> website. Although listed in the index, 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 form. Publicly available docket materials are available through <https://www.regulations.gov>, or please contact

the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section for additional availability information. If you need assistance in a language other than English or if you are a person with disabilities who needs a reasonable accommodation at no cost to you, please contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Arnold Lazarus, EPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA 94105. By phone: (415) 972–3024 or by email at [lazarus.arnold@epa.gov](mailto:lazarus.arnold@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Throughout this document, “we,” “us” and “our” refer to the EPA.

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**I. Proposed Action**

On September 19, 2022 (87 FR 57161), the EPA proposed to approve the following amended rules into the California SIP.

Local agency	Rule #	Rule title	Adopted/amended/revised	Submitted
SDCAPCD .....	67.0.1	Architectural Coatings .....	2/10/2021 (effective for state law purposes on 1/1/2022).	4/20/2021, as an attachment to a letter dated 4/16/2021.
SJVUAPCD .....	4601	Architectural Coatings .....	4/16/2020 (effective upon adoption but the new or revised VOC content limits were effective 1/1/2022).	4/23/2020, as an attachment to a letter of the same date.

We proposed to approve these amended rules because we determined that they comply with the relevant CAA requirements. More specifically, we evaluated the amended rules and determined that they remain enforceable, that they implement reasonably available control measure (RACM)-level controls, and that they would not interfere with any applicable requirement concerning attainment or reasonable further progress (RFP) or any other requirement of the CAA. In our proposed rule, we also evaluated the specific contingency measure provisions in the rules (i.e., paragraph (b)(6) of SDCAPCD Rule 67.0.1 and section 4.3 of SJVUAPCD Rule 4601) and concluded that the provisions meet the requirements for contingency measures under CAA sections 172(c)(9) and 182(c)(9). While we found that the rules meet the requirements for stand-alone contingency measures, we indicated that we are not making any determination at this time as to whether these individual contingency measures are sufficient in themselves for their

respective nonattainment areas to fully comply with the contingency measure requirements under CAA sections 172(c)(9) and 182(c)(9). As noted in the proposed rule, we will be taking action on the contingency measure SIP elements for San Diego County and San Joaquin Valley in separate rulemakings. Our proposed action contains more information on the rules and our evaluation.

**II. Public Comments and EPA Responses**

The EPA’s proposed action provided a 30-day public comment period. During this period, we received one germane comment, and that one comment was supportive of the proposed action.

**III. EPA Action**

No comments were submitted that change our assessment of the rules as described in our proposed action. Therefore, as authorized in section 110(k)(3) of the CAA, the EPA is fully approving these rules into the California SIP. Upon the effective date of this final rule, the February 10, 2021 version of

SDCAPCD Rule 67.0.1 and the April 16, 2020 version of SJVUAPCD Rule 4601 will replace the previously approved versions of these rules in the California SIP.

**IV. Incorporation by Reference**

In this rule, the EPA is finalizing regulatory text that includes incorporation by reference. In accordance with requirements of 1 CFR 51.5, the EPA is finalizing the incorporation by reference of the SDCAPCD and SJVUAPCD rules identified in section I. of this preamble. These rules concern emissions of VOC from architectural coating operations. The EPA has made, and will continue to make, these documents available through [www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) and at the EPA Region IX Office (please contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this preamble for more information).

**V. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews**

Under the Clean Air Act, the Administrator is required to approve a