

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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[EPA–R08–RCRA–2023–0424; FRL 11356–01–R8]

South Dakota: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions and Incorporation by Reference

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: The State of South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources has applied to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for final authorization of the changes to its hazardous waste program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The EPA has determined that these changes satisfy all requirements needed to qualify for final authorization, and is authorizing the State's changes through this direct final action. The EPA uses the regulations entitled, "Approved State Hazardous Waste Management Programs" to provide notice of the authorization status of State programs and to incorporate by reference those provisions of State statutes and regulations that will be subject to the EPA's inspection and enforcement. This rule also codifies in the regulations the approval of South Dakota's hazardous waste management program and incorporates by reference authorized provisions of the State's regulations.

DATES: This direct final rule is effective on April 8, 2024, unless EPA receives adverse written comment by March 11, 2024. If the EPA receives any such comment, we will publish a timely withdrawal of this direct final rule in the **Federal Register** informing the public that the rule will not take effect. The Director of the Federal Register approves the incorporation by reference as of April 8, 2024, in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R08–RCRA–2023–0424; FRL 11356–01–R8 by one of the following methods:

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

2. *Email:* lin.moye@epa.gov.

3. *Fax:* (303) 312–6341 (prior to faxing, please notify the EPA contact listed below).

4. *Mail, Hand Delivery or Courier:* Moyer Lin, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Branch, EPA Region 8,

Mail Code 8LCR–RC, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, Colorado 80202–1129. Courier or hand deliveries are only accepted during the Regional Office's normal hours of operation. The public is advised to call in advance to verify business hours. Special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: EPA must receive your comments by March 11, 2024. Direct your comments to EPA–R08–RCRA–2023–0424; FRL 11356–01–R8. The EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be available online at <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (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. The Federal <https://www.regulations.gov> website is an "anonymous access" system, 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, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment with any CD you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Authorization of Revisions to South Dakota's Hazardous Waste Program

A. Why are revisions to State programs necessary?

States which have received final authorization from EPA under RCRA section 3006(b), 42 U.S.C. 6926(b), must maintain a hazardous waste program that is equivalent to, consistent with, and no less stringent than the Federal program. As the Federal program changes, States must change their programs and ask EPA to authorize the changes. Changes to State programs may be necessary when Federal or State statutory or regulatory authority is modified or when certain other changes occur. Most commonly, States must change their programs because of changes to EPA's regulations in title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), parts 124, 260 through 268, 270, 273, and 279.

B. What authorization decisions has the EPA made in this rule?

On January 6, 2023, South Dakota submitted a final complete program revision application seeking authorization of changes to its hazardous waste program. The EPA concludes that South Dakota's application to revise its authorized program meets all the statutory and regulatory requirements established by RCRA. Therefore, we grant South Dakota final authorization to operate its hazardous waste program with the changes described in the authorization application. South Dakota has responsibility for permitting Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities (TSDFs), and for carrying out the aspects of the RCRA program described in its revised program application, subject to the limitations of the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 (HSWA), for all areas within the State, except for (1) lands located within formal Indian Reservations within or abutting the State of South Dakota, including the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation, Crow Creek Indian Reservation, Flandreau Indian Reservation, Lower Brule Indian Reservation, Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, Rosebud Indian Reservation, Sisseton-Wahpeton Indian Reservation, Standing Rock Indian Reservation, and Yankton Indian Reservation, (2) any land held in trust

by the United States for an Indian tribe, (3) and any other land, whether on or off a reservation that qualifies as “Indian country” within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. 1151. New Federal requirements and prohibitions imposed by Federal regulations that EPA promulgates under the authority of HSWA take effect in authorized States before they are authorized for the requirements. Thus, EPA will implement those requirements and prohibitions in South Dakota, including issuing permits, until South Dakota is authorized to do so.

C. What is the effect of this authorization decision?

The effect of this decision is that a facility in South Dakota subject to RCRA will have to comply with the authorized State requirements instead of the equivalent Federal requirements in order to comply with RCRA. The State of South Dakota will continue to have enforcement responsibilities under its State hazardous waste program for violations of such program, but the EPA retains its authority under RCRA sections 3007, 3008, 3013, and 7003, which include, among others, authority to:

- Conduct inspections and require monitoring, tests, analyses, or reports;
- Enforce RCRA requirements; suspend or revoke permits; and
- Take enforcement actions after notice to and consultation with the State.

This action to approve these provisions would not impose additional requirements on the regulated community because the regulations for which the State of South Dakota is requesting authorization are already

effective under State law and are not changed by the act of authorization.

D. Why is the EPA using a direct final rule?

The EPA is publishing this rule without a prior proposal because we view this as a noncontroversial action and anticipate no adverse comment. However, in the “Proposed Rules” section of this **Federal Register**, we are publishing a separate document that will serve as the proposed rule allowing the public an opportunity to comment. We will not institute a second comment period on this action. Any parties interested in commenting must do so at this time. For further information about commenting on this rule, see the **ADDRESSES** section of this document.

E. What happens if EPA receives comments opposing this action?

If EPA receives comments that oppose this authorization, we will publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register** informing the public that this direct final rule will not take effect. We will address all public comments in a later **Federal Register**. You will not have another opportunity to comment; therefore, if you want to comment on this action, you must do so at this time.

F. For what has South Dakota previously been authorized?

South Dakota initially received final authorization on October 19, 1984, effective November 2, 1984 (49 FR 41038), to implement the RCRA hazardous waste management program. We granted authorization for changes to their program on: April 17, 1991, effective June 17, 1991 (56 FR 15503); September 8, 1993, effective November 8, 1993 (FR 47216); January 10, 1994, effective March 11, 1994 (59 FR 1275);

July 24, 1996, effective September 23, 1996 (61 FR 38392); May 9, 2000, effective June 8, 2000 (65 FR 26755); April 23, 2004, effective May 24, 2004 (69 FR 21962); March 8, 2006, effective March 8, 2006 (71 FR 11533); August 8, 2012, effective August 8, 2012 (77 FR 47302); and June 24, 2016, effective August 23, 2016 (81 FR 41222).

G. What changes is EPA authorizing with this action?

On January 6, 2023, the State of South Dakota submitted a final complete program revision application, seeking authorization of their changes in accordance with 40 CFR 271.21. We now make a final decision, subject to receipt of written comments that oppose this action, that South Dakota’s hazardous waste program satisfies all of the requirements necessary to qualify for final authorization. Therefore, we grant South Dakota final authorization for the following changes:

1. Program Revision Changes for Federal Rules

The State of South Dakota revisions consist of regulations which specifically govern Federal hazardous waste revisions promulgated June 29, 1995 (60 FR 33912; Checklist 144), October 30, 2008 (73 FR 64668; Checklist 219), June 15, 2010 (75 FR 33712; Checklist 224), and from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2019 (RCRA Clusters XXIII–XXVII), except for the final rules published on January 3, 2018 (83 FR 420; Checklist 239), and on February 22, 2019 (84 FR 5816; Checklist 241). The State requirements from its Hazardous Waste Rules, Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD), Article 74:28, effective April 19, 2021, are included in the chart below.

Description of Federal requirement	Federal Register date and page	Analogous State authority
Removal of Legally Obsolete Rules (Checklist 144)	60 FR 33912; 6/8/95	ARSD 74:28:22:01, 74:28:26:01, and 74:28:27:01.
Revisions to the Definition of Solid Waste (Checklist 219)	73 FR 64668; 10/30/08	ARSD 74:28:21:02, 74:28:22:01, and 74:28:26:01.
Withdrawal of the Emission Comparable Fuel Exclusion (Checklist 224).	75 FR 33712; 6/15/10	ARSD 74:28:22:01.
Conditional Exclusions for Solvent Contaminated Wipes (Checklist 229).	78 FR 46448; 7/31/13	ARSD 74:28:21:02 and 74:28:22:01.
Conditional Exclusion for Carbon Dioxide (CO2) Streams in Geologic Sequestration Activities (Checklist 230).	79 FR 350; 1/3/14	ARSD 74:28:21:02 and 74:28:22:01.
Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest Rule (Checklist 231)	79 FR 7518; 2/7/14	ARSD 74:28:21:01(3)(b)(i) and (xii), 74:28:21:01(20), 74:28:21:02, 74:28:23:01, 74:28:24:01, 74:28:25:01, and 74:28:28:01.
Revisions to the Export Provisions of the Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) Rule (Checklist 232).	79 FR 36220; 6/26/14	74:28:21:01(3)(b)(xi), 74:28:21:01(20), 74:28:21:02, and 74:28:22:01.
Changes affecting all non-waste determinations and variances (Checklist 233A).	80 FR 1694; 1/13/15; 83 FR 24664; 5/30/18.	ARSD 74:28:21:02.

Description of Federal requirement	Federal Register date and page	Analogous State authority
Legitimacy-related provisions, including prohibition of sham recycling, definition of legitimacy, definition of Contained (Checklist 233B). Speculative Accumulation (Checklist 233C)	80 FR 1694; 1/13/15; 83 FR 24664; 5/30/18. 80 FR 1694; 1/13/15	ARSD 74:28:21:02 and 74:28:22:01. ARSD 74:28:22:01.
2008 DSW exclusions and non-waste determinations, including revisions from 2015 DSW final rule and 2018 DSW final rule (Checklist 233D2). Remanufacturing exclusion (Checklist 233E)	80 FR 1694; 1/13/15; 83 FR 24664; 5/30/18. 80 FR 1694; 1/13/15	ARSD 74:28:21:02, 74:28:22:01, and 74:28:26:01. ARSD 74:28:21:02 and 74:28:22:01.
Response to Vacatur of the Comparable Fuels Rule and the Gasification Rule (Checklist 234). Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities (Checklist 235). Imports and Exports of Hazardous Waste (Checklist 236)	80 FR 18777; 4/8/15	ARSD 74:28:21:02 and 74:28:22:01. ARSD 74:28:22:01.
Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule (Checklist 237)	81 FR 85696; 11/28/16; 82 FR 41015; 8/29/17; 83 FR 38263; 8/6/18. 81 FR 85732; 11/28/16	ARSD 74:28:21:01, 74:28:21:02, 74:28:22:01, 74:28:23:01, 74:28:24:01, 74:28:25:01, 74:28:27:01, 74:28:28:01, and 74:28:33:01. ARSD 74:28:21:02, 74:28:22:01, 74:28:23:01, 74:28:24:01, 74:28:25:01, 74:28:26:01, 74:28:27:01, 74:28:28:01, 74:28:30:01, and 74:28:33:01.
Confidentiality Determinations for Hazardous Waste Export and Import Documents (Checklist 238). Safe Management of Recalled Airbags (Checklist 240)	83 FR 60894; 12/26/17	ARSD 74:28:21:01(20), 74:28:21:02, 74:28:22:01, and 74:28:23:01. ARSD 74:28:21:02, 74:28:22:01, and 74:28:23:01.

2. State-Initiated Changes

South Dakota has made amendments to its regulations that are not directly related to any of the Federal rules addressed in Item G.1 above. These State-initiated changes are either conforming changes made to existing authorized provisions, or the adoption of provisions that clarify and make the State’s regulations internally consistent. The State’s regulations, as amended by these provisions, provide authority which remains equivalent to and no less stringent than the Federal laws and regulations. These State-initiated changes are submitted under the requirements of 40 CFR 271.21(a) and include the following provisions from the Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD), as amended, effective April 19, 2021: ARSD 74:28:21:01 introductory paragraph, 74:28:21:01(1) “Administrator”, 74:28:21:01(8) “Federal Register”, 74:28:21:01(11) “New tank system” or “new tank component”, 74:28:21:01(13) “Region”, 74:28:21:01(14) “Resource Conservation and Recovery Act”, “RCRA”, 74:28:21:01(17) “State”, 74:28:25:04, 74:28:25:05, 74:28:28:03, 74:28:28:04, 74:28:28:05, and 74:36:11:01.

H. Where are the revised State rules different from the Federal rules?

The South Dakota revisions being authorized in this rule include provisions that contain purely Federal functions which are not delegable to States. The non-delegable Federal

program areas include import/export requirements reserved as part of the Federal foreign relations function, and manifest registry and electronic manifest functions administered solely by the EPA. South Dakota has appropriately adopted these provisions by leaving the authority with the EPA for implementation and enforcement. The State did not make any changes that are more stringent or broader-in-scope than the Federal rules in this rulemaking. In addition, South Dakota did not change any previously more stringent or broader-in-scope provisions to be equivalent to the Federal rules.

I. Who handles permits after the authorization takes effect?

The State of South Dakota will continue to issue permits for all the provisions for which it is authorized and will administer the permits it issues. The EPA will continue to administer any RCRA hazardous waste permits or portions of permits which were issued prior to the effective date of this authorization, until South Dakota has equivalent instruments in place. EPA will continue to implement and issue permits for HSWA requirements for which South Dakota is not yet authorized.

J. How does this action affect Indian Country (18 U.S.C. 1151) in South Dakota?

South Dakota is not authorized to carry out its hazardous waste program in Indian country, as defined in 18

U.S.C. 1151. This includes, but is not limited to:

1. Lands within the exterior boundaries of the following Indian Reservations located within or abutting the State of South Dakota:

- a. Cheyenne River Indian Reservation
- b. Crow Creek Indian Reservation
- c. Flandreau Indian Reservation
- d. Lower Brule Indian Reservation
- e. Pine Ridge Indian Reservation
- f. Rosebud Indian Reservation
- g. Sisseton-Wahpeton Indian Reservation
- h. Standing Rock Indian Reservation
- i. Yankton Indian Reservation

2. Any land held in trust by the U.S. for an Indian tribe; and

3. Any other land, whether on or off a reservation that qualifies as Indian country within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. 1151.

Under principles of Federal Indian law, States generally do not have authority to regulate in Indian country. *Ala. v. Native Vill. of Venetie Tribal Gov’t.*, 522 U.S. 520 n.1 (1998). Accordingly, in the absence of an express grant of authority to a State from Congress, EPA typically excludes Indian country from program delegations and authorizations to States. *See* RCRA Authorization regulations at 40 CFR 271.1(h) (“[I]n many cases States will lack authority to regulate activities on Indian lands.”).

Indian country is defined by Federal statute, 18 U.S.C. 1151, as:

- a. all land within the limits of any Indian reservation under the

jurisdiction of the United States Government, notwithstanding the issuance of any patent, and, including rights-of-way running through the reservation;

b. all dependent Indian communities within the borders of the United States whether within the original or subsequently acquired territory thereof, and whether within or without the limits of a State; and

c. all Indian allotments, the Indian titles to which have not been extinguished, including rights-of-way running through the same.

It is important to note that the phrase “notwithstanding the issuance of any patent” in 18 U.S.C. 1151(a) has been interpreted by the U.S. Supreme Court to include fee patents (also known as land titles or land deeds) issued to Indians and non-Indians alike. *See, Seymour v. Superintendent*, 368 U.S. 351, 358 (1962). Accordingly, fee-owned lands, whether owned by Indians or nonmembers of the relevant Indian tribe, which are within the exterior boundaries of Indian reservations, are Indian country. While 18 U.S.C. 1151 on its face relates to criminal jurisdiction, the U.S. Supreme Court has held that it is also relevant for civil regulatory jurisdiction. *See, DeCoteau v. Dist. County Court*, 420 U.S. 425, 427 n.2 (1975).

In addition, Tribal trust lands located outside of formal reservations are also Indian country as defined in 18 U.S.C. 1151. For a detailed legal discussion and explanation of this interpretation of Indian country, *see* Letter from Jack W. McGraw, Acting Regional Administrator, United States Environmental Agency, to Steven M. Pirner, Secretary, South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (April 2, 2002), printed in 67 FR 45684 through 45687 (July 10, 2002).

II. Incorporation by Reference

A. What is codification?

Codification is the process of including the statutes and regulations that comprise the State’s authorized hazardous waste management program into the CFR. Section 3006(b) of RCRA, as amended, allows the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to authorize State hazardous waste management programs. The State regulations authorized by EPA supplant the Federal regulations concerning the same matter with the result that after authorization EPA enforces the authorized regulations. Infrequently, State statutory language which acts to regulate a matter is also authorized by EPA with the consequence that EPA enforces the

authorized statutory provision. EPA does not authorize State enforcement authorities and does not authorize State procedural requirements. EPA codifies the authorized State program in 40 CFR part 272 and incorporates by reference State statutes and regulations that make up the approved program which is federally enforceable in accordance with Sections 3007, 3008, 3013, and 7003 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6927, 6928, 6934 and 6973, and any other applicable statutory and regulatory provisions.

B. What is the history of the codification of South Dakota’s hazardous waste management program?

The EPA incorporated by reference South Dakota’s authorized hazardous waste program effective March 8, 2006 (71 FR 11533), and program revisions effective August 23, 2016 (81 FR 41222). In this action, EPA is revising subpart QQ of 40 CFR part 272 to include the authorization revision actions described in this document.

C. What codification decisions have we made in this rule?

In this rule, the EPA is finalizing regulatory text that includes incorporation by reference of the authorized hazardous waste management program of the State of South Dakota. In accordance with requirements of 1 CFR 51.5, EPA is finalizing the incorporation by reference of the South Dakota rules described in the amendments to 40 CFR part 272 set forth in § 272.2101. EPA has made, and will continue to make, these documents available electronically through <https://www.regulations.gov>. For alternative access to docket materials, please contact the person identified in the **ADDRESSES** section of this preamble.

This action codifies EPA’s authorization of South Dakota’s base hazardous waste management program and its revisions to that program. The codification reflects the State program that would be in effect at the time EPA’s authorized revisions to the South Dakota hazardous waste management program addressed in this direct final rule become final. This action does not reopen any decision EPA previously made concerning the authorization of the State’s hazardous waste management program. EPA is not requesting comments on its decisions published in the **Federal Register** documents referenced in section I.F of this document concerning revisions to the authorized program in South Dakota.

The EPA is incorporating by reference EPA’s approval of South Dakota’s hazardous waste management program

by amending subpart QQ of 40 CFR part 272. The action amends § 272.2101 and incorporates by reference South Dakota’s authorized hazardous waste regulations, as amended effective April 19, 2021. Section 272.2101 also references the demonstration of adequate enforcement authority, including procedural and enforcement provisions, which provide the legal basis for the State’s implementation of the hazardous waste management program. In addition, § 272.2101 references the Memorandum of Agreement, the Attorney General’s Statements and the Program Description, which are evaluated as part of the approval process of the hazardous waste management program in accordance with subtitle C of RCRA.

D. What is the effect of South Dakota’s codification on enforcement?

EPA retains the authority under statutory provisions, including but not limited to, RCRA sections 3007, 3008, 3013 and 7003, and other applicable statutory and regulatory provisions to undertake inspections and enforcement actions and to issue orders in all authorized States. With respect to enforcement actions, EPA will rely on Federal sanctions, Federal inspection authorities, and Federal procedures rather than the State analogs to these provisions. Therefore, the EPA is not incorporating by reference South Dakota’s inspection and enforcement authorities, nor are those authorities part of South Dakota’s approved State program which operates in lieu of the Federal program. The regulation at 40 CFR 272.2101(c)(2) lists these authorities for informational purposes, and because EPA also considered them in determining the adequacy of South Dakota’s procedural and enforcement authorities. South Dakota’s authority to inspect and enforce the State’s hazardous waste management program requirements continues to operate independently under State law.

E. What State provisions are not part of the codification?

The public is reminded that some provisions of South Dakota’s hazardous waste management program are not part of the federally authorized State program. These non-authorized provisions include:

(1) Provisions that are not part of the RCRA subtitle C program because they are “broader in scope” than RCRA subtitle C (see 40 CFR 271.1(i));

(2) Federal rules for which South Dakota is not authorized, but which have been incorporated into the State regulations because of the way the State

adopted Federal regulations by reference.

(3) State procedural and enforcement authorities which are necessary to establish the ability of the State's program to enforce compliance but which do not supplant the Federal statutory enforcement and procedural authorities.

State provisions that are "broader in scope" than the Federal program are not incorporated by reference in 40 CFR part 272. For reference and clarity, EPA lists in 40 CFR 272.2101(c)(3) the South Dakota statutory provisions which are "broader in scope" than the Federal program and which are not part of the authorized program being incorporated by reference. While "broader in scope" provisions are not part of the authorized program and cannot be enforced by EPA, the State may enforce such provisions under State law.

South Dakota has adopted but is not authorized for the Federal Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest User Fee Rule published January 3, 2018 (83 FR 420). Therefore, the Federal amendments to 40 CFR parts 260, 262, 263, 264, and 265 addressed by this Federal rule and included in South Dakota's adoption by reference at ARSD, sections 74:28:21:01, 74:28:21:02, 74:28:23:01, 74:28:24:01, 74:28:25:01, and 74:28:28:01, are not part of the State's authorized program included in this codification. Additionally, South Dakota, adopted the Federal Management Standards for Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals and Amendment to the P075 Listing for Nicotine Rule published February 22, 2019 (84 FR 5816). Therefore, the Federal amendments to 40 CFR parts 261, 262, 264, 265, 266, 268, 270, and 273 addressed by this Federal rule and included in South Dakota's adoption by reference at ARSD sections 74:28:22:01, 74:28:23:01, 74:28:25:01, 74:28:26:01, 74:28:27:01, 74:28:28:01, 74:28:30:01, and 74:28:33:01 are not part of the State's authorized program included in this codification. EPA has identified in 40 CFR 272.2101(c)(4) those Federal regulations which, while adopted by South Dakota, are not authorized by EPA.

F. What will be the effect of codification on Federal HSWA requirements?

With respect to any requirement(s) pursuant to HSWA for which the State has not yet been authorized, and which EPA has identified as taking effect immediately in States with authorized hazardous waste management programs, EPA will enforce those Federal HSWA standards until the State is authorized for those provisions.

The codification does not affect Federal HSWA requirements for which the State is not authorized. EPA has authority to implement HSWA requirements in all States, including States with authorized hazardous waste management programs, until the States become authorized for such requirements or prohibitions, unless EPA has identified the HSWA requirement(s) as an optional or as a less stringent requirement of the Federal program. A HSWA requirement or prohibition, unless identified by EPA as optional or as less stringent, supersedes any less stringent or inconsistent State provision which may have been previously authorized by EPA (50 FR 28702, July 15, 1985).

Some existing State requirements may be similar to the HSWA requirements implemented by EPA. However, until EPA authorizes those State requirements, EPA enforces the HSWA requirements and not the State analogs.

III. Administrative Requirements

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has exempted this action from the requirements of Executive Orders 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993) and 13563 (76 FR 3821, January 21, 2011). Therefore, this action is not subject to review by OMB. This action authorizes and codifies State requirements for the purpose of RCRA section 3006 and imposes no additional requirements beyond those imposed by State law. Accordingly, I certify that this action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*). Because this action authorizes and codifies pre-existing requirements under State law and does not impose any additional enforceable duty beyond that required by State law, it does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-4). For the same reason, this action also does not significantly or uniquely affect the communities of Tribal governments, as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000). This action will not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the National Government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government, as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 1999), because it merely authorizes and codifies State requirements as part of the State RCRA hazardous waste program without

altering the relationship or the distribution of power and responsibilities established by RCRA.

This action also is not subject to Executive Order 13045 (62 FR 19885, April 23, 1997), because it is not economically significant and it does not make decisions based on environmental health or safety risks. This rule is not subject to Executive Order 13211, "Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use" (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001), because it is not a significant regulatory action under Executive Order 12866.

Under RCRA section 3006(b), EPA grants a State's application for authorization as long as the State meets the criteria required by RCRA. It would thus be inconsistent with applicable law for EPA, when it reviews a State authorization application, to require the use of any particular voluntary consensus standard in place of another standard that otherwise satisfies the requirements of RCRA. Thus, the requirements of section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) do not apply. As required by section 3 of Executive Order 12988 (61 FR 4729, February 7, 1996), in issuing this rule, EPA has taken the necessary steps to eliminate drafting errors and ambiguity, minimize potential litigation, and provide a clear legal standard for affected conduct. EPA has complied with Executive Order 12630 (53 FR 8859, March 15, 1988) by examining the takings implications of the rule in accordance with the "Attorney General's Supplemental Guidelines for the Evaluation of Risk and Avoidance of Unanticipated Takings" issued under the Executive order. This rule does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Executive Order 12898 (59 FR 7629, February 16, 1994) establishes Federal executive policy on environmental justice. Its main provision directs Federal agencies, to the greatest extent practicable and permitted by law, to make environmental justice part of their mission by identifying and addressing, as appropriate, disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects of their programs, policies, and activities on minority populations and low-income populations in the United States. Because this rule authorizes pre-existing State rules which are at least equivalent to, and no less stringent than existing Federal requirements, and imposes no additional requirements beyond those

imposed by State law, and there are no anticipated significant adverse human health or environmental effects, the rule is not subject to Executive Order 12898.

The Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*, as added by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, generally provides that before a rule may take effect, the agency promulgating the rule must submit a rule report, which includes a copy of the rule, to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General of the United States. The EPA will submit a report containing this document 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 in the **Federal Register**. A major rule cannot take effect until 60 days after it is published in the **Federal Register**. This action is not a “major rule” as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2). This action will be effective April 8, 2024.

Authority: This rule is issued under the authority of Sections 2002(a), 3006 and 7004(b) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act as amended, 42 U.S.C. 6912(a), 6926, 6974(b).

List of Subjects

40 CFR Part 271

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Confidential business information, Hazardous waste, Hazardous waste transportation, Indian lands, Intergovernmental relations, Penalties, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

40 CFR Part 272

Hazardous materials transportation, Hazardous waste, Incorporation by reference, Intergovernmental relations, Water pollution control, Water supply.

Dated: January 30, 2024.

KC Becker,

Regional Administrator, Region 8.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, under the authority at 42 U.S.C. 6912(a), 6926, and 6974(b), EPA is granting final authorization under 40 CFR part 271 to the State of South Dakota for revisions to its hazardous waste program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act and is amending 40 CFR part 272 as follows:

PART 272—APPROVED STATE HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 272 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 2002(a), 3006, and 7004(b) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended

by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 6912(a), 6926, and 6974(b).

■ 2. Revise § 272.2101 to read as follows:

§ 272.2101 South Dakota State-administered program: Final authorization.

(a) *History of the State of South Dakota authorization.* Pursuant to section 3006(b) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6926(b), South Dakota has final authorization for the following elements as submitted to EPA in South Dakota’s base program application for final authorization which was approved by EPA effective on November 2, 1984. Subsequent program revision applications were approved effective on June 17, 1991, November 8, 1993, March 11, 1994, September 23, 1996, June 8, 2000, May 24, 2004, March 8, 2006, August 8, 2012, August 23, 2016, and April 8, 2024.

(b) *Enforcement authority.* The State of South Dakota has primary responsibility for enforcing its hazardous waste management program. However, EPA retains the authority to exercise its inspection and enforcement authorities in accordance with sections 3007, 3008, 3013, and 7003 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6927, 6928, 6934, and 6973, and any other applicable statutory and regulatory provisions, regardless of whether the State has taken its own actions, as well as in accordance with other statutory and regulatory provisions.

(c) *State statutes and regulations—(1) Incorporation by reference.* The South Dakota regulations cited in paragraph (c)(1)(i) of this section are incorporated by reference as part of the hazardous waste management program under Subtitle C of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6921 *et seq.* The Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. This material is available for inspection at the EPA and at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). You may inspect a copy at EPA Region 8, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, Colorado, phone number (303) 312-6667. For information on the availability of this material at NARA, email: fr.inspection@nara.gov, or go to: <https://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>. You may obtain copies of the South Dakota regulations that are incorporated by reference in this paragraph from South Dakota Legislative Research Council, 3rd Floor, State Capitol, 500 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501, phone number 605-773-3251.

(i) EPA-Approved South Dakota Regulatory Requirements Applicable to

the Hazardous Waste Management Program, dated June 2022.

(ii) [Reserved]

(2) *Legal basis.* The following provisions provide the legal basis for the State’s implementation of the hazardous waste program, but they are not being incorporated by reference and do not replace Federal authorities:

(i) South Dakota Codified Laws (SDCL), as amended, 2021 Revision, Title 1, State Affairs and Government: Chapter 1-26, Administrative Procedures and Rules, sections 1-26-1(1), 1-26-1(4), 1-26-1(8) introductory paragraph, 1-26-1(8)(a), 1-26-2, 1-26-6.6, 1-26-16 through 1-26-19, 1-26-19.1, 1-26-19.2, 1-26-21, 1-26-27, 1-26-29, 1-26-30, 1-26-30.1, 1-26-30.2, 1-26-30.4, 1-26-31, 1-26-31.1, 1-26-31.2, 1-26-31.4, 1-26-35 and 1-26-36; Chapter 1-27, Public Records and Files, sections 1-27-1, 1-27-3, 1-27-9(2) and 1-27-28, 1-27-31; Chapter 1-32, Executive Reorganization, section 1-32-1(1); Chapter 1-41, Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources, sections 1-41-3.4, 1-41-18, 1-41-24 and 1-41-25.1.

(ii) SDCL, as amended, 2021 Revision, Title 15, Civil Procedure: Chapter 15-6, Rules of Procedure in Circuit Courts, section 15-6-24(a)-(c).

(iii) SDCL, as amended, 2021 Revision, Title 19, Evidence: Chapter 19-13, Privileges, sections 19-19-502(1), 19-19-502(5), 19-19-502(b), 19-19-507 and 19-19-509.

(iv) SDCL, as amended, 2021 Revision, Title 21, Judicial Remedies: Chapter 21-8, Injunction, section 21-8-1.

(v) SDCL, as amended, 2021 Revision, Title 22, Crimes: Chapter 22-6, Authorized Punishments, sections 22-6-1 introductory paragraph and 22-6-1(7).

(vi) SDCL, as amended, 2021 Revision, Title 23, Law Enforcement: Chapter 23-5, Criminal Identification, sections 23-5-1, 23-5-10(1), 23-5-10(3), 23-5-10(4) and 23-5-11 first sentence; Chapter 23-6, Criminal Statistics, section 23-6-4.

(vii) SDCL, as amended, 2021 Revision, Title 34, Public Health and Safety: Chapter 34-21, Radiation and Uranium Resources Exposure Control, section 34-21-2(7).

(viii) SDCL, as amended, 2021 Revision, Title 34A, Environmental Protection: Chapter 34A-6, Solid Waste Disposal, section 34A-6-1.3(17); Chapter 34A-10, Remedies for Protection of Environment, sections 34A-10-1, 34A-10-2, 34A-10-2.5, 34A-10-5, 34A-10-11, 34A-10-14 and 34A-10-16, Chapter 34A-11, Hazardous Waste Management, sections 34A-11-1,

34A-11-2 through 34A-11-4, 34A-11-5, 34A-11-8 through 34A-11-12, 34A-11-13 through 34A-11-16, 34A-11-17 through 34A-11-19, 34A-11-21 and 34A-11-22; Chapter 34A-12, Regulated Substance Discharges, sections 34A-12-1(8), 34A-12-4, 34A-12-6, 34A-12-8 through 34A-12-13, 34A-12-13.1 and 34A-12-14.

(ix) SDCL, as amended, 2021 Revision, Title 37, Trade Regulation, Chapter 37-29, Uniform Trade Secrets Act, section 37-29-1(4).

(x) Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD), Article 74:08, Administrative Fees, effective April 19, 2021: Chapter 74:08:01, Fees for Records Reproduction, sections 74:08:01:01, 74:08:01:03, 74:08:01:04, 74:08:01:05.

(3) *Related legal provisions.* The following statutory provisions are broader in scope than the Federal program, are not part of the authorized program, are not incorporated by reference, and are not federally enforceable:

(i) SDCL, as amended, 2021 Revision, Title 34A, Environmental Protection, Chapter 34A-11, Hazardous Waste Management, sections 34A-11-12.1, 34A-11-16.1, 34A-11-25 and 34A-11-26.

(ii) [Reserved]

(4) *Unauthorized State amendments.* South Dakota has adopted but is not authorized for the following Federal final rules:

(i) Hazardous Waste Management System; User Fees for the Electronic Waste Manifest System and Amendments to Manifest Regulations (Non-HSWA), published in the **Federal Register** of 1/3/18.

(ii) Management Standards for Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals and Amendment to the P075 Listing for Nicotine (HSWA/Non-HSWA), published in the **Federal Register** of 2/22/19.

(iii) Those Federal rules written under RCRA provisions that predate HSWA (non-HSWA) which the State has adopted, but for which it is not authorized, are not federally enforceable. In contrast, EPA will continue to enforce the Federal HSWA standards for which South Dakota is not authorized until the State receives specific authorization from EPA.

(5) *Memorandum of Agreement.* The Memorandum of Agreement between EPA Region 8 and the State of South Dakota, signed by the Secretary of the South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources Secretary on March 20, 2023, and by the EPA Region 8 Regional Administrator on March 10, 2023, although not incorporated by reference, is referenced as part of the

authorized hazardous waste management program under subtitle C of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6921 *et seq.*

(6) *Statement of legal authority.* “Attorney General’s Statement for Final Authorization”, signed by the Attorney General of South Dakota on May 24, 1984, and revisions, supplements and addenda to that Statement dated January 14, 1991, September 11, 1992, September 25, 1992, April 1, 1993, September 24, 1993, December 29, 1994, September 5, 1995, October 23, 1997, October 27, 1997, October 28, 1997, November 5, 1999, June 26, 2000, June 18, 2002, October 19, 2004, May 11, 2009, May 5, 2015, and November 29, 2021, although not incorporated by reference, are referenced as part of the authorized hazardous waste management program under subtitle C of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6921 *et seq.*

(7) *Program Description.* The Program Description and any other materials submitted as supplements thereto, although not incorporated by reference, are referenced as part of the authorized hazardous waste management program under subtitle C of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6921 *et seq.*

■ 3. Amend appendix A to part 272 by revising the listing for “South Dakota” to read as follows:

Appendix A to Part 272—State Requirements

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South Dakota

The regulatory provisions include:

Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD), Article 74:28, Hazardous Waste, as amended effective April 19, 2021, adopting by reference the Federal regulations as of July 1, 2018, and 83 FR 61552 (November 30, 2018).

Sections 74:28:21:01 (except the reference to “260.4 and 260.5” at 74:28:21:01(3)(b)(xii), and (14)(f)), 74:28:21:02, 74:28:21:03, 74:28:22:01 (except the phrase “; and 84 FR 36, 5938–5950 (February 22, 2019)”), 74:28:23:01, 74:28:24:01, 74:28:25:01 (except the phrase “; and 84 FR 36, 5938–5950 (February 22, 2019)”), 74:28:25:02 through 74:28:25:05, 74:28:26:01 (except the phrase “; and 84 FR 36, 5938–5950 (February 22, 2019)” in the introductory paragraph), 74:28:27:01 (except the phrase “; 84 FR 36, 5938–5950 (February 22, 2019)” in the introductory paragraph), 74:28:28:01 (except the phrase “; and 84 FR 36, 5938–5950 (February 22, 2019)”), 74:28:28:02 through 74:28:28:05, 74:28:29:01, 74:28:30:01 (except the phrase “; and 84 FR 36, 5938–5950 (February 22, 2019)”) and 74:28:33:01 (except the phrase “; and 84 FR 36, 5938–5950 (February 22, 2019)”; Article 74:36, Air Pollution Control Program, section 74:36:11:01.

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Council, 3rd Floor, State Capitol, 500 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501, (Phone: 605-773-3251).

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Health Data, Technology, and Interoperability: Certification Program Updates, Algorithm Transparency, and Information Sharing; Correction

AGENCY: Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects technical and typographical errors in the final rule entitled, “Health Data, Technology, and Interoperability: Certification Program Updates, Algorithm Transparency, and Information Sharing” that was published in the **Federal Register** on January 9, 2024, and has a stated effective of February 8, 2024.

DATES: As of February 8, 2024 the effective date of the final rule published on January 9, 2024 (89 FR 1192, FR 2023-28857), is corrected to March 11, 2024. The corrections in this document are effective on March 11, 2024.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

In **Federal Register** document 2023-28857 (89 FR 1192) final rule entitled “Health Data, Technology, and Interoperability: Certification Program Updates, Algorithm Transparency, and Information Sharing” (HTI-1) (hereinafter referred to as the HTI-1 Final Rule), we identified certain technical and typographical errors following publication in the **Federal Register** on January 9, 2024. We summarize and correct these errors in the “Summary of Errors” and “Corrections of Errors” sections below.