Corporations and Labor Organizations  

Electioneering Communications by  
Independent Expenditures and  

11 CFR Parts 104 and 114  

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.  

ACTION: Announcement of Effective Date.  

SUMMARY: On October 21, 2014, the Commission published in the Federal Register a final rules implementing changes to its rules governing independent expenditures and electioneering communications by corporations and labor organizations. This document announces the effective date of amendments made by that final rule.  

DATES: The effective date for the final rule published October 21, 2014, at 79 FR 62797, is January 27, 2015.  


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 21, 2014, the Commission published final rules to implement changes to its rules governing independent expenditures and electioneering communications by corporations and labor organizations. Final Rules on Independent Expenditures and Electioneering Communications by Corporations and Labor Organizations 79 FR 62797 (Oct. 21, 2014). These changes responded to a Petition for Rulemaking filed by the James Madison Center for Free Speech petitioning the Commission to amend its regulations in response to the decision of the Supreme Court in Citizens United v. FEC, 558 U.S. 310 (2010). The final rules removed provisions prohibiting corporations and labor organizations from making independent expenditures and electioneering communications, and also removed or amended other regulations that implemented or referred to those prohibitions.  

Pursuant to 52 U.S.C. 30111(d), the Commission must transmit any rules or regulations to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate for a period of 30 legislative days before they are finally prescribed. For the changes to 11 CFR parts 104 and 114 concerning independent expenditures and electioneering communications by corporations and labor organizations, the rules were sent to Congress on October 10, 2014. The 30 legislative day period ended on January 26, 2015, in the Senate and January 27, 2015, in the House of Representatives.  

In the final rules, the Commission stated that it would publish a separate notice announcing the effective date of the amendments to 11 CFR parts 104 and 114. 79 FR 62797. Through this Notice, the Commission announces that the effective date of amendments to 11 CFR parts 104 and 114 is January 27, 2015.  


On behalf of the Commission.  

Ann M. Ravel,  
Chair, Federal Election Commission.  

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  

11 CFR Parts 104 and 114  
[Notice 2015–03]  

Independent Expenditures and Electioneering Communications by Corporations and Labor Organizations  

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.  

ACTION: Announcement of Effective Date.  

SUMMARY: On October 21, 2014, the Commission published in the Federal Register a final rules implementing changes to its rules governing independent expenditures and electioneering communications by corporations and labor organizations. This document announces the presentation of its analysis performed in support of that rulemaking is accurate.  

In FR Doc 2014–11489 appearing in the issue of June 3, 2014 (79 FR 32049), make the following corrections:  

1. On page 32052, in Table I.2, under the Average LCC savings, and Median payback period values, for DC.M.I, first row, is corrected to read “1485”, second column and “2.8” third column, respectively.  

2. On page 32102, Table V.12 is corrected to read as follows:  

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3. On page 32115, in Table V.44, the Mean LCC Savings values for DC.M.I, third row, TSL 2 and TSL 3, third and fourth columns, are both corrected to read “1485”.

4. On page 32115, in Table V.45, Median Payback Period (in years) values for DC.M.I, third row, TSL 2 and TSL 3, third and fourth columns, are both corrected to read “2.8”.

5. On page 32115, in Table V.46, the Net Cost (%) values, for DC.M.I, third row, TSL 2 and TSL 3, third and fourth columns, are both corrected to read “0”.

6. On page 32115, in Table V.46, the Net Benefit (%) values, for DC.M.I, third row, TSL 2 and TSL 3, third and fourth columns, are both corrected to read “100”.

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Kathleen B. Hogan,  
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.  

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  

15 CFR Part 922  

RIN 0648–BC94  

Boundary Expansion of Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary; Notification of Effective Date  

AGENCY: Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).  

ACTION: Notification of effective date.
SUMMARY: NOAA published a final rule to extend the boundary of Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary (TBNMS or sanctuary), clarify the correlation between TBNMS regulations and Indian tribal fishing activities, and revise the corresponding sanctuary terms of designation on September 5, 2014 (79 FR 52960). The new boundary for TBNMS increases the size of the sanctuary from 448 square miles to 4,300 square miles and extends protection to 47 additional known historic shipwrecks of national significance. Pursuant to Section 304(b) of the National Marine Sanctuaries Act (16 U.S.C. 1434(b)) the final regulations take effect after 45 days of continuous session of Congress beginning on September 5, 2014. Through this notification, NOAA is announcing the regulations became effective on February 3, 2015.

DATES: The regulations published on September 5, 2014 (79 FR 52960) are effective on February 3, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Gray, Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary Superintendent, at (989) 356–8805 ext 12.

Dated: February 24, 2015.

W. Russell Callender,
Acting Assistant Administrator for Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.

Background

Pursuant to the provisions of the 1970 UNESCO Convention, codified into U.S. law as the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act (hereafter, the Cultural Property Implementation Act or the Act (Pub. L. 97–446, 19 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.)), signatory nations (State Parties) may enter into bilateral or multilateral agreements to impose import restrictions on eligible archaeological and ethnological materials under procedures and requirements prescribed by the Act. Under the Act and applicable U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) regulations (19 CFR 12.104g), the restrictions are effective for no more than five years beginning on the date on which the agreement enters into force with respect to the United States. This period can be extended for additional periods, each such period not to exceed five years, where it is determined that the factors justifying the initial agreement still pertain and no cause for suspension of the agreement exists (19 U.S.C. 2602(e); 19 CFR 12.104g(a)).

On March 8, 1995, the United States entered into a bilateral agreement with the Government of the Republic of El Salvador (El Salvador) concerning the imposition of import restrictions on certain categories of archaeological material from the Pre-Hispanic cultures of El Salvador. On March 10, 1995, the former U.S. Customs Service (now U.S. Customs and Border Protection) published Treasury Decision (T.D.) 95–20 in the Federal Register (60 FR 13352), which amended 19 CFR 12.104g(a) to reflect the imposition of these restrictions and included a list designating the types of articles covered by the restrictions.

Import restrictions listed in 19 CFR 12.104g(a) are effective for no more than five years beginning on the date on which the agreement enters into force with respect to the United States. This period can be extended for additional periods not to exceed five years if it is determined that the factors which justified the initial agreement still pertain and no cause for suspension of the agreement exists. 19 CFR 12.104g(a).

Since the initial notice was published on March 10, 1995, the import restrictions were subsequently extended three times. First, on March 9, 2000, the former U.S. Customs Service published T.D. 00–16 in the Federal Register (65 FR 12470) to extend the import restrictions for an additional period of five years. Subsequently, on March 9, 2005, CBP published CBP Dec. 05–10 in the Federal Register (70 FR 11539) to again extend the import restriction for five years. Most recently, on March 8, 2010, CBP published CBP Dec. 10–01 in the Federal Register (75 FR 10411) to extend the import restriction for an additional five year period to March 8, 2015.

After reviewing the findings and recommendations of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee, and in response to a request by the Government of the Republic of El Salvador, on February 3, 2015, the Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State, concluding that the cultural heritage of El Salvador continues to be in jeopardy from pillage of Pre-Hispanic archaeological resources, made the necessary determinations to extend the import restrictions for an additional five years. Diplomatic notes have been exchanged, reflecting the extension of