

■ 6. Add new § 160.215 to read as follows:

§ 160.215 Force majeure.

When a vessel is bound for a port or place of the United States under force majeure, it must comply with the requirements in this section, but not other sections of this subpart. The vessel must report the following information to the nearest Captain of the Port as soon as practicable:

- (a) The vessel Master's intentions;
- (b) Any hazardous conditions as defined in § 160.202; and
- (c) If the vessel is carrying certain dangerous cargo or controlling a vessel carrying certain dangerous cargo, the amount and name of each CDC carried, including cargo UN number if applicable.

Dated: August 24, 2016.

J.G. Lantz,

Director of Commercial Regulations and Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG-2016-0768]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Upper Mississippi River, Rock Island, IL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of deviation from drawbridge regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the operating schedule that governs the Rock Island Railroad and Highway Drawbridge across the Upper Mississippi River, mile 482.9, at Rock Island, Illinois. The deviation is necessary to allow the bridge owner time to facilitate repairs to the locking mechanisms on the rail deck of the bridge. This deviation allows the bridge to be maintained in the closed-to-navigation position for critical repairs that are essential to the continued safe operation of the drawbridge.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 5 a.m. on September 14, 2016 to 5 a.m. on September 15, 2016.

ADDRESSES: The docket for this deviation, USCG-2016-0768, is available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Type the docket number in the "SEARCH" box and click "SEARCH." Click on Open Docket Folder on the line associated with this deviation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary deviation, call or email Eric A. Washburn, Bridge Administrator, Western Rivers, Coast Guard; telephone (314) 269-2378, email Eric.Washburn@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Army Rock Island Arsenal requested a temporary deviation for the Rock Island Railroad and Highway Drawbridge, mile 482.9, at Rock Island, Illinois across the Upper Mississippi River. It has a vertical clearance of 23.8 feet above normal pool in the closed-to-navigation position. Navigation on the waterway consists primarily of commercial tows and recreational watercraft. The Rock Island Railroad and Highway Drawbridge currently operates in accordance with 33 CFR 117.5, which states the general requirement that drawbridges shall open promptly and fully for the passage of vessels when a request to open is given in accordance with the subpart.

The deviation period is from 5 a.m. on September 14, 2016 to 5 a.m. on September 15, 2016 when the draw span will remain in the closed-to-navigation position. During this time the bridge owner will facilitate critical repairs to the locking mechanisms on the rail deck of the bridge that are essential to the continued safe operation of the drawbridge. The bridge will not be able to open for emergencies and there is no immediate alternate route for vessels to pass this section of the Upper Mississippi River. The Coast Guard will also inform the users of the waterway through our Local and Broadcast Notices to Mariners of the change in operating schedule for the bridge so that vessels can arrange their transits to minimize any impact caused by the temporary deviation.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the drawbridge must return to its regular operating schedule immediately at the end of the effective period of this temporary deviation. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: August 24, 2016.

Eric A. Washburn,

Bridge Administrator, Western Rivers.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

38 CFR Part 36

RIN 2900-AP77

Loan Guaranty: Delegation of Authority

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) loan guaranty regulations to correct an oversight in the delegation of authority to exercise the powers and functions of the Secretary with respect to the guaranty or insurance of loans and the rights and liabilities arising therefrom. This document also incorporates into regulatory form delegatory authority already granted certain VA loan guaranty officials to administer and manage properties acquired by VA.

DATES: *Effective Date:* August 29, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Bell III, Assistant Director for Loan Policy and Valuation (262), Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, telephone (202) 632-8786. (This is not a toll-free telephone number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: VA is amending 38 CFR 36.4345(b)(1), Delegation of authority, to add Principal Under Secretary for Benefits and Deputy Under Secretary for Economic Opportunity to the list of VA employees who hold authority to exercise the powers and functions of the Secretary with respect to the guaranty or insurance of loans and the rights and liabilities arising therefrom. VA is also adding to the list Deputy Director, Loan Guaranty Service; Assistant Director, Loan Guaranty Service; and Realty Officer, Loan Guaranty Service.

The positions of Principal Under Secretary for Benefits and Deputy Under Secretary for Economic Opportunity were not originally included in 38 CFR 36.4345(b)(1) because they did not exist at the time the regulation was promulgated. VA inadvertently omitted the delegatory authority to the positions of Deputy Director, Assistant Director, and Realty Officer Loan Guaranty Service. Accordingly, VA is amending this regulatory provision to add these positions to the list of VA employees to whom the authority to exercise the powers and functions of the Secretary with respect to the guaranty or insurance of loans and the rights and liabilities arising therefrom.

VA is removing from 38 CFR 36.4345(b)(1) the positions of Director,

Medical and Regional Office Center and Director, VA Regional Office and Insurance Center. Under VA's current administrative framework, the issues related to the guaranty and insurance of loans fall outside their subject matter jurisdiction.

VA is further amending 38 CFR 36.4345 to add a new paragraph (b)(3), to delegate authority to the position of Supervisory Realty Specialist to act on behalf the Secretary to execute and deliver necessary and appropriate instruments in connection with the acquisition, ownership, management, sale, transfer, assignment, encumbrance, rental, or other disposition of real or personal property, or any right, title, or interest therein, for any purpose authorized by 38 U.S.C., chapter 37. The delegation of authority to Supervisory Realty Specialist was not originally regulated, but is instead found in a formal letter of delegation signed on July 25, 2013, by the Secretary.

Finally, VA is amending the authority citation to include additional support for delegations of authority. In addition to 38 U.S.C. 3720, which was originally cited, VA is adding 38 U.S.C. 512, an express provision that authorizes further delegation by the Secretary.

Administrative Procedure Act

This final rule only includes amendments that are technical and nonsubstantive. There is nothing interpretive contained in these amendments. Accordingly, this rule exempts from the prior notice-and-comment and delayed-effective-date requirements of 5 U.S.C. 553.

Executive Orders 12866 and 13563

Executive Orders 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess the costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, when regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, and other advantages; distributive impacts; and equity). Executive Order 13563 (Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review) emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits, reducing costs, harmonizing rules, and promoting flexibility. Executive Order 12866 (Regulatory Planning and Review) defines a "significant regulatory action," which requires review by OMB, as "any regulatory action that is likely to result in a rule that may: (1) Have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more or adversely affect in a material way the economy, a sector of the economy,

productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local, or tribal governments or communities; (2) Create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action taken or planned by another agency; (3) Materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof; or (4) Raise novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President's priorities, or the principles set forth in this Executive Order."

The economic, interagency, budgetary, legal, and policy implications of this regulatory action have been examined, and we have determined that this rule is not an economically significant regulatory action under Executive Order 12866.

Unfunded Mandates

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 requires, at 2 U.S.C. 1532, that agencies prepare an assessment of anticipated costs and benefits before issuing any rule that may result in expenditure by State, local, and tribal governments, in the aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100 million or more (adjusted annually for inflation) in any one year. This final rule will have no such effect on State, local, and tribal governments, or on the private sector.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This final rule contains no provisions constituting a collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521).

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), 5 U.S.C. 601–612, applies only to rules for which an agency is required to publish a notice of proposed rulemaking pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b) or any other law. 5 U.S.C. 603(a). The RFA does not apply to this rulemaking because VA has found good cause to publish this rule without notice and comment pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b).

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number and title for the program affected by this document is 64.114, Veterans Housing—Guaranteed and Insured Loans.

Signing Authority

The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or designee, approved this document 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. Gina

S. Farrisee, Deputy Chief of Staff, Department of Veterans Affairs, approved this document on August 22, 2016, for publication.

Dated: August 22, 2016.

Jeffrey Martin,

Office Program Manager, Office of Regulation Policy & Management, Office of the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

List of Subjects in 38 CFR Part 36

Condominiums, Housing, Individuals with disabilities, Loan programs-housing and community development, Loan programs-veterans, Manufactured homes, Mortgage insurance, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Veterans.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Department of Veterans Affairs amends 38 CFR part 36 as follows:

PART 36—LOAN GUARANTY

- 1. The authority citation for part 36 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 38 U.S.C. 501 and 3720.

- 2. Amend § 36.4345 by revising paragraph (b)(1) and adding paragraph (b)(3) to read as follows:

§ 36.4345 Delegation of authority.

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(b)(1) Designated positions are as follows:

- (i) Under Secretary for Benefits.
- (ii) Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Benefits.
- (iii) Deputy Under Secretary for Economic Opportunity.
- (iv) Director, Loan Guaranty Service.
- (iv) Director, Regional Office.
- (v) Deputy Director, Loan Guaranty Service.
- (vi) Assistant Director, Loan Guaranty Service.
- (vii) Loan Guaranty Officer.
- (viii) Assistant Loan Guaranty Officer.
- (ix) Realty Officer, Loan Guaranty Service.

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(3) An employee of the Department of Veterans Affairs heretofore or hereafter appointed to, or lawfully filling, the position of Supervisory Realty Specialist is hereby delegated authority to act on behalf the Secretary to execute and deliver necessary and appropriate instruments in connection with the acquisition, ownership, management, sale, transfer, assignment, encumbrance, rental, or other disposition of real or personal property, or any right, title, or

interest therein, for any purpose authorized by 38 U.S.C., chapter 37.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R01-OAR-2013-0260; A-1-FRL-9951-46-Region 1]

Air Plan Approval; New Hampshire; Approval of Single Source Orders

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Direct final rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is approving State Implementation Plan (SIP) revisions submitted by the State of New Hampshire. The revisions consist of single source orders that establish reasonably available control technology for three sources of volatile organic compounds. This action is being taken in accordance with the Clean Air Act.

DATES: This direct final rule will be effective October 28, 2016, unless EPA receives adverse comments by September 28, 2016. If adverse comments are received, EPA will publish a timely withdrawal of the direct final rule in the **Federal Register** informing the public that the rule will not take effect.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-R01-OAR-2013-0260 at <http://www.regulations.gov>, or via email to Anne Arnold at: arnold.anne@epa.gov. For comments submitted at [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). For either manner of submission, the EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. 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, please

contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. For the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit <http://www2.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob McConnell, Environmental Engineer, Air Quality Planning Unit, Air Programs Branch (Mail Code OEP05-02), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1, 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100, Boston, Massachusetts 02109-3912; (617) 918-1046; mcconnell.rob@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Throughout this document whenever “we,” “us,” or “our” is used, we mean EPA.

Organization of this document. The following outline is provided to aid in locating information in this preamble.

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I. Background and Purpose

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NH DES) submitted to EPA the following three single source orders establishing reasonably available control technology (RACT) for sources of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) for incorporation into the New Hampshire SIP: RACT Order ARD-03-001A, issued to Parker-Hannifin Corporation, Chomerics Division, located in Hudson, New Hampshire, submitted to EPA on October 31, 2014; RACT Order ARD-96-001, issued to Textile Tapes Corporation located in Gonic, New Hampshire, submitted to EPA on July 30, 2015; and RACT Order ARD-07-001, issued to Watts Regulator Company located in Franklin, New Hampshire, submitted to EPA on September 9, 2015. A description of these submittals and our evaluation of them appears below in Section II of this document.

II. Description and Evaluation of the State’s Submittals

1. Order for Parker-Hannifin Corporation

The Parker-Hannifin Corporation, Chomerics Division, located in Hudson, New Hampshire, produces coated fabrics, films, and other substrates for use in the electronics industry. The NH

DES previously issued VOC RACT Order ARD 03-001 to the facility on July 18, 2002, and EPA approved that order into the NH SIP on November 5, 2012. See 77 FR 66388. NH DES re-issued the order for this facility as ARD 03-001A to allow for modifications to monitoring requirements, testing frequency, and determination of destruction and removal efficiency for a catalytic oxidizer operated by the facility to control air pollution. New Hampshire DES determined that these changes were appropriate after reviewing the performance history of the oxidizer. VOC RACT Order ARD 03-001A was issued by the NH DES on October 22, 2014, and establishes enforceable requirements the facility must follow in order to control VOC emissions at the facility. The Order includes requirements for periodic monitoring of the catalytic oxidizer’s performance, recordkeeping requirements, work practice standards, and allows the facility to generate and use discrete emission reduction credits.

2. Order for Textile Tapes Corporation

The Textile Tapes Corporation operates a fabric coating and hot melt coating facility located in Gonic, New Hampshire. The NH DES previously issued VOC RACT Order ARD-96-001 to the facility, with a state effective date of August 10, 2007, which EPA approved into the New Hampshire SIP on November 5, 2012. See 77 FR 66388. Subsequently, the facility installed a new regenerative thermal oxidizer (RTO) to replace an existing unit at the facility. The updated VOC RACT order for the facility, ARD-96-001, as amended on July 30, 2015, contains an updated operating temperature for the new RTO. Additionally, the updated VOC RACT order provides a facility wide VOC emissions limit of 24.9 tons on a 12 month rolling basis, which is a decrease from the previous limit of 63.8 tons. The updated order makes a number of editorial changes to reflect the current citations for New Hampshire’s air pollution control regulations, includes requirements for monitoring and testing for the RTO, includes recordkeeping requirements, and allows the facility to generate and use discrete emission reduction credits.

3. Order for Watts Regulator Company

The Watts Regulator Company manufactures equipment for the plumbing, heating, and water quality industries at a facility located in Franklin, New Hampshire. The NH DES previously issued VOC RACT Order ARD-07-001 to the facility, which was then operated under the name Webster