Proposed Rules

This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains notices to the public of the proposed issuance of rules and regulations. The purpose of these notices is to give interested persons an opportunity to participate in the rule making prior to the adoption of the final rules.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 271

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Alabama: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: Alabama has applied to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for final authorization of changes to its hazardous waste program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). These changes correspond to certain Federal rules promulgated between July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2008, and July 1, 2011 through June, 30, 2014 (also known as RCRA Clusters XVII through XVIII, and XXII through XXIII). With this proposed rule, EPA is proposing to grant final authorization to Alabama for these changes.

DATES: Send your written comments by April 19, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R04–RCRA–2016–0497, by one of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
  • Email: baker.audrey@epa.gov.
  • Fax: (404) 562–9964 (prior to faxing, please notify the EPA contact listed below).
  • Mail: Send written comments to Audrey Baker, RCRA Programs and Materials Management Section, Materials and Waste Management Branch, Resource Conservation and Restoration Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303–8960.
  • Hand Delivery or Courier: Deliver your comments to Audrey Baker, RCRA Programs and Materials Management Section, Materials and Waste Management Branch, Resource Conservation and Restoration Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303–8960. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Regional Office’s normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Please see the direct final rule in the “Rules and Regulations” section of today’s Federal Register for detailed instructions on how to submit comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Audrey Baker, RCRA Programs and Materials Management Section, Materials and Waste Management Branch, Resource Conservation and Restoration Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303–8960; telephone number: (404) 562–8483; fax number: (404) 562–9964; email address: baker.audrey@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Along with this proposed rule, EPA is publishing a direct final rule in the “Rules and Regulations” section of today’s Federal Register pursuant to which EPA is authorizing these changes. EPA did not issue a proposed rule before today because EPA believes this action is not controversial and does not expect comments that oppose it. EPA has explained the reasons for this authorization in the direct final rule. Unless EPA receives written comments that oppose this authorization during the comment period, the direct final rule in today’s Federal Register will become effective on the date it establishes, and EPA will not take further action on this proposal. If EPA receives comments that oppose this action, EPA will withdraw the direct final rule and it will not take effect. EPA will then respond to public comments in a later final rule based on this proposed rule. You may not have another opportunity to comment on these State program changes. If you want to comment on this action, you must do so at this time. For additional information, please see the direct final rule published in the “Rules and Regulations” section of today’s Federal Register.

Dated: March 9, 2017.

V. Anne Heard,
Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

48 CFR Parts 3001, 3002, 3004, 3024, 3039 and 3052

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Homeland Security Acquisition Regulation (HSAR); Safeguarding of Controlled Unclassified Information (HSAR Case 2015–001); Information Technology Security Awareness Training (HSAR Case 2015–002); Privacy Training (HSAR Case 2015–003)—Extension of Comment Periods

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: DHS is extending the comment periods for the following three notices of proposed rulemaking (proposed rules) published on January 19, 2017: “Safeguarding of Controlled Unclassified Information,” “Information Technology Security Awareness Training,” and “Privacy Training.” DHS is extending the comment period by 30 days to ensure the public has sufficient time to review and provide comment on these proposed rules.

DATES: The comment periods for the proposed rules published in the Federal Register of January 19, 2017 (81 FR 6425, 81 FR 6429, and 81 FR 6446), are extended. Comments on the proposed rules should be submitted in writing to one of the addresses shown below on or before April 19, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments identified by HSAR Case 2015–001, Safeguarding of Controlled Unclassified Information; HSAR Case 2015–002, Information Technology Security Awareness Training; and HSAR Case 2015–003, Privacy Training using any of the following methods:

• Regulations.gov: http://www.regulations.gov.
  • Fax: (202) 447–0520.
I. Public Participation and Request for Comments

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments and related materials. All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov and will include any personal information you have provided.

A. Submitting Comments

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for the applicable rulemaking (DHS–2017–0006, DHS–2017–0007, or DHS–2017–0008), indicate the specific section of each document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. You may submit your comments and material online, by fax or mail, but please use only one of these means. We recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to http://www.regulations.gov and insert the applicable docket number (DHS–2017–0006, DHS–2017–0007, or DHS–2017–0008) in the “Search” box. Click on “Submit a Comment” in the “Actions” column. If you submit comments by mail, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit comments by mail and would like to know that they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period and may change the proposed rules based on your comments.

B. Viewing Comments and Documents

To view comments, as well as documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to http://www.regulations.gov and insert the applicable docket number (DHS–2017–0006, DHS–2017–0007, or DHS–2017–0008) in the “Search” box. Click “Search.” Click the “Open Docket Folder” in the “Actions” column.

II. Regulatory History and Information

On January 19, 2017, DHS published the following three proposed rules: “Safeguarding of Controlled Unclassified Information (HSAR Case 2015–001),” “Information Technology Security Awareness Training (HSAR Case 2015–002),” and “Privacy Training (HSAR Case 2015–003)” (82 FR 6429, 82 FR 6446, and 82 FR 6425 respectively). The three rules propose to amend the HSAR in the following ways: (1) Ensure contractors understand their responsibilities with regard to safeguarding controlled unclassified information (CUI); (2) ensure contractor and subcontractor employees complete information technology (IT) security awareness training before DHS provides them with access to DHS information systems and information resources or contractor-owned and/or operated information systems and information resources where CUI is collected, processed, stored or transmitted on behalf of the agency; (3) ensure that contractor and subcontractor employees sign the DHS Rules of Behavior before DHS provides them with access to DHS information systems, information resources, or contractor-owned and/or operated information systems and information resources where CUI is collected, processed, stored or transmitted on behalf of the agency; and (4) ensure contractor and subcontractor employees complete privacy training before accessing a Government system of records; handling personally identifiable information (PII) and/or sensitive PII information; or designing, developing, maintaining, or operating a system of records on behalf of the Government.

Comments on these proposed rules were originally due by March 20, 2017. However, a number of parties have requested additional time to review the proposed rules and submit comments. Thus, to ensure the public has sufficient time to review the proposed rules and submit comments, DHS is extending the comment periods by 30 days.

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