

need for the Bloodborne Pathogens Standard (29 CFR 1910.1030), its impact on small businesses, its effectiveness in protecting workers, and all other issues raised by Section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act and Section 5 of Executive Order 12866. It would be particularly helpful for commenters to suggest how the Standard could be modified to reduce the burden on employers while maintaining or improving employee protection. Furthermore, comments would be appreciated on the following topics:

- Exposures in non-hospital settings;
- Recent technological advances in needlestick prevention;
- Effectiveness of needlestick prevention programs;
- New, emerging health risks from bloodborne pathogens; and
- Any other experiences related to compliance with the standard.

Public comments will assist the Agency in determining whether to retain the Standard unchanged, to initiate rulemaking to revise or rescind it, or to develop improved compliance assistance.

Comments must be submitted by August 12, 2010. Comments should be submitted to the addresses and in the manner specified at the beginning of the notice.

**Authority:** This document was prepared under the direction of David Michaels, PhD, MPH, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. It is issued under Section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 610) and Section 5 of Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993).

Signed at Washington, DC on May 11, 2010.

**David Michaels,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration

#### 29 CFR Parts 1910, 1915, and 1926

[Docket No. OSHA-H054a-2006-0064]

**RIN 1218-AC43**

#### Revising the Notification Requirements in the Exposure Determination Provisions of the Hexavalent Chromium Standards

**AGENCY:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA); Department of Labor.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; withdrawal.

**SUMMARY:** With this notice, OSHA is withdrawing the proposed rule that accompanied its direct final rule (DFR) amending the employee notification requirements in the exposure determination provisions of the Hexavalent Chromium (Cr(VI)) standards.

**DATES:** Effective May 14, 2010, the proposed rule published March 16, 2010 (75 FR 12485), is withdrawn.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general information and press inquiries contact Ms. Jennifer Ashley, Director, OSHA Office of Communications, Room N-3647, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; *telephone:* (202) 693-1999. For technical inquiries, contact Maureen Ruskin, Office of Chemical Hazards—Metals, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Room N-3718, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; *telephone:* (202) 693-1950; *fax:* (202) 693-1678.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On March 17, 2010, OSHA published a DFR amending the employee notification requirements in the exposure determination provisions of the Cr(VI) standards at 29 CFR 1910.1026, 29 CFR 1915.1026, and 29 CFR 1926.1126 (75 FR 12681). OSHA also published a companion proposed rule proposing the same changes to the Cr(VI) standards. (75 FR 12485, March 16, 2010). In the DFR, OSHA stated that it would withdraw the companion proposed rule and confirm the effective date of the DFR if no significant adverse comments were submitted on the DFR by April 16, 2010.

OSHA received eight comments on the DFR, which the Agency has determined were not significant adverse comments. OSHA is publishing a notice announcing and explaining this determination and confirming the effective date of the DFR as June 15, 2010. Accordingly, OSHA is not proceeding with the proposed rule and is withdrawing it from the rulemaking process.

## List of Subjects

### 29 CFR Part 1910

Exposure determination, General industry employment, Health, Hexavalent chromium (Cr(VI)), Notification of determination results to employees, Occupational safety and health.

### 29 CFR Part 1915

Exposure determination, Health, Hexavalent chromium (Cr(VI)), Notification of determination results to employees, Occupational safety and health, Shipyard employment.

### 29 CFR Part 1926

Construction employment, Exposure determination, Health, Hexavalent chromium (Cr(VI)), Notification of determination results to employees, Occupational safety and health.

## Authority and Signature

David Michaels, PhD, MPH, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210, directed the preparation of this notice under the following authorities: Sections 4, 6, and 8 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C. 653, 655, 657), Secretary of Labor's Order 5-2007 (72 FR 31159), and 29 CFR part 1911.

Signed at Washington, DC, on May 11, 2010.

**David Michaels,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Fiscal Service

#### 31 CFR Part 210

**RIN 1510-AB24**

#### Federal Government Participation in the Automated Clearing House

**AGENCY:** Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking with request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, Financial Management Service (Service) is proposing to amend our regulation governing the use of the Automated Clearing House (ACH) system by Federal agencies. Our regulation adopts, with some exceptions, the ACH Rules developed by NACHA—The Electronic Payments