Dated: December 29, 2000.

#### Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs. [FR Doc. 01–470 Filed 1–12–01; 8:45 am]

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Coast Guard**

33 CFR Part 117 [CGD05-00-055]

# Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Great Egg Harbor Bay, New Jersey

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of temporary deviation

from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District, has approved a temporary deviation from the regulations governing the operation of the Route 9/Beesleys Point Bridge across Great Egg Harbor Bay, mile 3.5, between Somers Point and Beesleys Point, in New Jersey. Beginning at 7 a.m. on January 22, 2001, through 5 p.m. on March 22, 2001, the bridge may remain in the closed position. This closure is necessary to conduct the installation of a new deck.

**DATES:** This deviation is effective from 7 a.m. on January 22, 2001, until 5 p.m. on March 22, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ann B. Deaton, Bridge Administrator, Fifth Coast Guard District, at (757) 398–6222.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast** Guard received a letter by fax from the contractor on December 1, 2000, requesting a temporary deviation from the current operating schedule of the Route 9/Beesleys Point Bridge. The draw currently is required to open on signal at all times. This requirement is included in the general operating regulations at 33 CFR 117.5. The contractor intends to install a new deck on the bascule span of the bridge. To facilitate the installation, the bascule span will be bolted down in the closed position so that the old deck can be removed and a new deck installed. This work requires completely immobilizing the operation of the bascule span. In the event of an emergency, openings of the span will be provided as quickly as possible, but may take up to 48 hours to accomplish. Requests for emergency openings can be made by calling the bridge manager at (609) 390-3190 or (609) 624-0949.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35, the District Commander approved the contractor's request for a temporary deviation from the governing regulations in a letter dated December 12, 2000.

The Coast Guard has informed the known commercial users of the waterway of the bridge closure so that these vessels can arrange their transits to minimize any impact caused by the temporary deviation.

The temporary deviation allows the Route 9/Beesleys Point Bridge across Great Egg Harbor, mile 3.5, between Somers Point and Beesleys Point, New Jersey to remain closed from 7 a.m. on January 22, 2001, until 5 p.m. on March 22, 2001.

Dated: December 21, 2000.

### John E. Skhor,

U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District.

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# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 136, 141, and 143

[FRL-6918-2]

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Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants Under the Clean Water Act; National Primary Drinking Water Regulations; and National Secondary Drinking Water Regulations; Methods Update

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Direct Final Rule.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is approving the use of updated versions of test procedures (i.e., analytical methods) for the determination of chemical, radiological, and microbiological pollutants and contaminants in wastewater and drinking water. These updated versions of analytical methods have been published by one or more of the following organizations: American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM), United States Geological Survey (USGS), United States Department of Energy (DOE), American Public Health Association (APHA), American Water Works Association (AWWA), and Water Environment Federation (WEF). Previously approved versions of the methods remain approved. Today's action will give the analytical community a larger selection of analytical methods. Today's action also corrects typographical errors and updates references where appropriate.

DATES: This final rule is effective on May 16, 2001 without further notice, unless EPA receives adverse comment by March 19, 2001. If EPA receives such comment, EPA will publish a timely withdrawal in the Federal Register informing the public that this rule (or distinct amendments, paragraphs, or sections of this rule) will not take effect.

The incorporation by reference of the publications listed in today's rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of May 16, 2001.

For judicial review purposes, this final rule is promulgated as of 1:00 p.m. (Eastern time) on January 30, 2001 as provided in 40 CFR 23.2 and 23.7.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments either by mail or electronically. Send comments to the Methods Update Comment Clerk (W–99–21), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Water Docket, MC–4101, Ariel Rios Bldg., 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. Submit electronic comments to *OW-Docket @epa.gov*. Please submit copies of any references cited in your comments. EPA would appreciate an original and 3 copies of your comments and enclosures (including references).

This **Federal Register** document is also available on the Internet at: http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr. The record for this rulemaking has been established under docket number W-99-21. Supporting documents (including references and methods cited in this notice) are available for review at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Water Docket, East Tower Basement, Room EB57, 401 M Street, SW., Washington, DC 20460. For access to the docket materials, call 202/260-3027 on Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Standard Time for an appointment.

Copies of final methods published by ASTM are available for a nominal cost through American Society for Testing and Materials, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959. Copies of final methods published by USGS are available for a nominal cost through the United States Geological Survey, U.S. Geological Survey Information Services, Box 25286, Federal Center, Denver, CO 80225–0425. Copies of final methods published by DOE are available for a nominal cost through the Environmental Measurements Laboratory, U.S. Department of Energy, 376 Hudson Street, New York, NY 10014-3621. Copies of Standard Methods are available for a nominal cost from the American Public Health Association,