

3); paraffin waxes (lignocellulosic) hydrotreated, C5–40-branched, cyclic and linear (PMN P–11–328; CAS No. 1267611–06–2); naphtha (lignocellulosic), hydrotreated, C5–12-branched, cyclic and linear (PMN P–11–329; CAS No. 1267611–35–7); kerosene (lignocellulosic), hydrotreated, C8–16-branched, cyclic and linear (PMN P–11–330; CAS No. 1267611–14–2); distillates (lignocellulosic), hydrotreated, C8–26-branched, cyclic, and linear (PMN P–11–331; CAS No. 1267611–11–9); and residual oils (lignocellulosic), hydrotreated, C20–40-branched, cyclic, and linear (PMN P–11–332; CAS No. 1267611–71–1)).

(b) *Specific requirements.* The provisions of subpart A of this part apply to this section except as modified by this paragraph.

(1) *Recordkeeping.* Recordkeeping requirements as specified in § 721.125(a) through (h) and (k) are applicable to manufacturers, importers, and processors of this substance.

(2) *Limitations or revocation of certain notification requirements.* The provisions of § 721.185 apply to this section.

■ 7. Add § 721.10617 to subpart E to read as follows:

§ 721.10617 Residual oils (lignocellulosic), hydrotreated, C20–40-branched, cyclic, and linear.

(a) *Chemical substance and significant new uses subject to reporting.*

(1) The chemical substance identified as residual oils (lignocellulosic), hydrotreated, C20–40-branched, cyclic, and linear (PMN P–11–332; CAS No. 1267611–71–1) is subject to reporting under this section for the significant new uses described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section.

(2) The significant new uses are:

(i) *Protection in the workplace.* Requirements as specified in § 721.63(a)(1), (a)(3), (a)(4), (a)(6), (b) (concentration set at 0.1 percent), and (c). When determining which persons are reasonably likely to be exposed as required for § 721.63(a)(1) and (a)(4), engineering control measures (e.g., enclosure or confinement of the operation, general and local ventilation) or administrative control measures (e.g., workplace policies and procedures) shall be considered and implemented to prevent exposure, where feasible. The following National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)-certified respirators with an assigned protection factor (APF) of 10,000 meet the minimum requirements for § 721.63(a)(4): Any NIOSH-certified pressure-demand or other positive pressure mode (e.g., open/closed circuit)

self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) equipped with a hood or helmet or a full facepiece.

(A) As an alternative to the respiratory requirements listed in paragraph (a)(2)(i) of this section, a manufacturer, importer, or processor may choose to follow the new chemical exposure limit (NCEL) provisions listed in the TSCA section 5(e) consent order for this substance. The NCEL is 0.32 milligram/cubic meter (mg/m³) as an 8-hour time-weighted average. Persons who wish to pursue NCELs as an alternative to the § 721.63 respirator requirements may request to do so under § 721.30. Persons whose § 721.30 requests to use the NCELs approach are approved by EPA will receive NCELs provisions comparable to those contained in the corresponding section 5(e) consent order.

(B) [Reserved]

(ii) *Hazard communication program.* Requirements as specified in § 721.72(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) (concentration set at 0.1 percent), (f), and (g).

(iii) *Release to water.* Requirements as specified in § 721.90(a)(4), (b)(4), and (c)(4) (where N=5 and 5 is an aggregate of releases for the following substances: Distillates (lignocellulosic), C5–40 (PMN P–11–327; CAS No. 1267611–99–3); paraffin waxes (lignocellulosic) hydrotreated, C5–40-branched, cyclic and linear (PMN P–11–328; CAS No. 1267611–06–2); naphtha (lignocellulosic), hydrotreated, C5–12-branched, cyclic and linear (PMN P–11–329; CAS No. 1267611–35–7); kerosene (lignocellulosic), hydrotreated, C8–16-branched, cyclic and linear (PMN P–11–330; CAS No. 1267611–14–2); distillates (lignocellulosic), hydrotreated, C8–26-branched, cyclic, and linear (PMN P–11–331; CAS No. 1267611–11–9); and residual oils (lignocellulosic), hydrotreated, C20–40-branched, cyclic, and linear (PMN P–11–332; CAS No. 1267611–71–1)).

(b) *Specific requirements.* The provisions of subpart A of this part apply to this section except as modified by this paragraph.

(1) *Recordkeeping.* Recordkeeping requirements as specified in § 721.125 (a) through (h) and (k) are applicable to manufacturers, importers, and processors of this substance.

(2) *Limitations or revocation of certain notification requirements.* The provisions of § 721.185 apply to this section.

■ 8. Add § 721.10623 to subpart E to read as follows:

§ 721.10623 Vinylidene ester (generic).

(a) *Chemical substances and significant new uses subject to reporting.*

(1) The chemical substances identified generically as vinylidene ester (PMNs P–12–298 and P–12–299) are subject to reporting under this section for the significant new uses described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section.

(2) The significant new uses are:

(i) *Industrial, commercial, and consumer activities.* Requirements as specified in § 721.80(s) (20,000 kilograms of the aggregate of the two chemical substances).

(ii) [Reserved]

(b) *Specific requirements.* The provisions of subpart A of this part apply to this section except as modified by this paragraph.

(1) *Recordkeeping.* Recordkeeping requirements as specified in § 721.125 (a), (b), (c), and (i) are applicable to manufacturers, importers, and processors of this substance.

(2) *Limitations or revocation of certain notification requirements.* The provisions of § 721.185 apply to this section.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 54

[WC Docket No. 10–90; DA 13–704]

Wireline Competition Bureau Adds New Discussion Topic to Connect America Cost Model Virtual Workshop

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Wireline Competition Bureau adds a new virtual workshop discussion topic, entitled “Operating Expenses Input Values” to seek public input.

DATES: Comments are due on or before April 25, 2013.

If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by WC Docket No. 10–90, by any of the following methods:

■ *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

■ *Federal Communications Commission's Web site:* <http://>

fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- **Virtual Workshop:** In addition to the usual methods for filing electronic comments, the Commission is allowing comments, reply comments, and ex parte comments in this proceeding to be filed by posting comments at <http://www.fcc.gov/blog/wcb-cost-model-virtual-workshop-2012>.

- **People with Disabilities:** Contact the FCC to request reasonable accommodations (accessible format documents, sign language interpreters, CART, etc.) by email: FCC504@fcc.gov or phone: (202) 418-0530 or TTY: (202) 418-0432.

For detailed instructions for submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katie King, Wireline Competition Bureau at (202) 418-7491 or TTY (202) 418-0484.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Wireline Competition Bureau's Public Notice in WC Docket No. 10-90; DA 13-704, released April 11, 2013, as well as information posted online in the Wireline Competition Bureau's Virtual Workshop. The complete text of the Public Notice is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street SW., Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554. These documents may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc. (BCPI), 445 12th Street SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone (800) 378-3160 or (202) 863-2893, facsimile (202) 863-2898, or via the Internet at <http://www.bcpiweb.com>. In addition, the Virtual Workshop may be accessed via the Internet at <http://www.fcc.gov/blog/wcb-cost-model-virtual-workshop-2012>.

1. On Tuesday, October 9, 2012, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) announced the commencement of a virtual workshop to solicit input and facilitate discussion on topics related to the development and adoption of the forward-looking cost model for Connect America Phase II. To date, the Bureau has sought comment on 22 different topics in the virtual workshop.

2. Today, the Bureau adds a new virtual workshop discussion topic, entitled "Operating Expenses Input Values." Responses should be submitted in the virtual workshop no later than April 25, 2013. Parties can participate in the virtual workshop by visiting the

Connect America Fund Web page, <http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/connecting-america>, and following the link to the virtual workshop.

3. Comments from the virtual workshop will be included in the official public record of this proceeding. The Bureau will not rely on anonymous comments posted during the workshop in reaching decisions regarding the model. Participants should be aware that identifying information from parties that post material in the virtual workshop will be publicly available for inspection upon request, even though such information may not be posted in the workshop forums.

I. Procedural Matters

A. Initial Regulatory Flexibility Act Analysis

4. As required by the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980, as amended (RFA), the Bureau prepared an Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis (IRFA), included as part of the *Model Design PN*, 77 FR 38804, June 29, 2012, of the possible significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities by the policies and rules proposed in these Public Notices and the information posted online in the Virtual Workshops. We have reviewed the IRFA and have determined that it does not need to be supplemented.

B. Paperwork Reduction Act

5. This document does not contain proposed information collection(s) subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104-13. In addition, therefore, it does not contain any new or modified information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees, pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, Public Law 107-198, see 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(4).

C. Filing Requirements

6. **Comments and Replies.** Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.419, interested parties may file comments and reply comments on or before the dates indicated on the first page of this document. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121, May 1, 1998.

- **Electronic Filers:** Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/>.

- **Paper Filers:** Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and

one copy of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, filers must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

- All hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary must be delivered to FCC Headquarters at 445 12th Street SW., Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. The filing hours are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes and boxes must be disposed of *before* entering the building.
- Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.
- U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail must be addressed to 445 12th Street SW., Washington DC 20554.

7. **Virtual Workshop.** In addition to the usual methods for filing electronic comments, the Commission is allowing comments in this proceeding to be filed by posting comments at <http://www.fcc.gov/blog/wcb-cost-model-virtual-workshop-2012>. Persons wishing to examine the record in this proceeding are encouraged to examine the record on ECFS and the Virtual Workshop.

Although Virtual Workshop commenters may choose to provide identifying information or may comment anonymously, anonymous comments will not be part of the record in this proceeding and accordingly will not be relied on by the Commission in reaching its conclusions in this rulemaking. The Commission will not rely on anonymous postings in reaching conclusions in this matter because of the difficulty in verifying the accuracy of information in anonymous postings. Should posters provide identifying information, they should be aware that although such information will not be posted on the blog, it will be publicly available for inspection upon request.

8. **People with Disabilities.** To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an email to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs

Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

9. Availability of Documents.

Comments, reply comments, and *ex parte* submissions will be publicly available online via ECFS. These documents will also be available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center, which is located in Room CY-A257 at FCC Headquarters, 445 12th Street SW., Washington, DC 20554. The Reference Information Center is open to the public Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Federal Communications Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

48 CFR Parts 4, 12, 22, and 52

[FAR Case 2012-024; Docket 2012-0024; Sequence 1]

RIN 9000-AM49

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Commercial and Government Entity Code

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: DoD, GSA, and NASA are proposing to amend the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to require the use of Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) codes, including North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) CAGE (NCAGE) codes for foreign entities, for awards valued at greater than the micro-purchase threshold. The CAGE code is a five-character identification number used extensively within the Federal Government. The proposed rule will also require offerors, if owned or controlled by another business entity, to identify that entity during System for Award Management (SAM) registration.

DATES: Interested parties should submit written comments to the Regulatory

Secretariat at one of the addressees shown below on or before June 17, 2013 to be considered in the formation of the final rule.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in response to FAR Case 2012-024 by any of the following methods:

- *Regulations.gov:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching for "FAR Case 2012-024". Select the link "Submit a Comment" that corresponds with FAR Case 2012-024. Follow the instructions provided at the "Submit a Comment" screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "FAR Case 2012-024" on your attached document.

- *Fax:* 202-501-4067.

- *Mail:* General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), ATTN: Hada Flowers, 1275 First Street NE., 7th Floor, Washington, DC 20417.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite FAR Case 2012-024, in all correspondence related to this case. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Edward Loeb, Procurement Analyst, at 202-501-0650 for clarification of content. For information pertaining to status or publication schedules, contact the Regulatory Secretariat at 202-501-4755. Please cite FAR Case 2012-024.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

DoD, GSA, and NASA are proposing to revise the FAR with a new provision to require that offerors provide their CAGE codes to contracting officers and that, if owned or controlled by another entity, offerors will provide, in a new provision with their representations and certifications, the CAGE code and name of such entity or entities. For those offerors located in the United States or its outlying areas that register in SAM, a CAGE code is assigned as part of the registration process. Note: The text of this proposed rule uses the new FAR reference, SAM for CCR and ORCA, as there is a pending FAR rule (FAR Case 2012-033, System for Award Management Name Change, Phase 1 Implementation) which will make a global update to all of the existing references to CCR and ORCA throughout the FAR to the SAM designation.

If registration is not required, a CAGE code will be requested and obtained from the Defense Logistics Agency, Logistics Information Service. A CAGE

code is not required when a condition described at FAR 4.605(c)(2) applies and the acquisition is funded by an agency other than DoD or NASA. Offerors located outside the United States will obtain an NCAGE from their NATO Codification Bureau or, if not a NATO member or sponsored nation, from the NATO Maintenance and Supply Agency (NAMSA).

The Federal procurement community continues to strive toward greater measures of transparency and reliability of data, which facilitates achievement of rigorous accountability of procurement dollars and processes and compliance with regulatory and statutory acquisition requirements, *e.g.*, the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 109-282, 31 U.S.C. 6101 note). Increased transparency and accuracy of procurement data work to broaden the Government's ability to implement fraud detection technologies restricting opportunities for and mitigating occurrences of fraud, waste, and abuse of taxpayer dollars.

To further the desired increases in traceability and transparency, this rule proposes use of the unique identification that a CAGE code provides coupled with vendor representation of ownership and owner CAGE code. The CAGE code is a five-character identification number used extensively within the Federal Government and will provide for standardization across the Federal Government. This proposed rule will—

- Support successful implementation of business tools that seek insight into Federal spending patterns across corporations;
- Facilitate legal traceability in the tracking of performance issues across corporations;
- Provide insight on contractor personnel outside the United States; and
- Support supply chain traceability and integrity efforts.

II. Discussion and Analysis

A. Proposed Changes to FAR Part 4

At FAR 4.1202 a new provision for ownership or control of offeror is added to the list of representations and certifications under FAR 52.204-8, Annual Representations and Certifications.

B. Proposed Addition of FAR Subpart 4.17—Commercial and Government Entity Code

A new subpart is proposed to include scope, policy, and definitions for the subpart. Offerors are required to provide