

**§ 712.2 [Amended]**

■ 11. Section 712.2(b) is amended by removing the parenthetical phrase “(15 CFR parts 730 through 799)” from the first sentence of Note 2 to § 712.2(b) and adding, in its place, the parenthetical phrase “(15 CFR parts 730 through 774)”.

■ 12. Section 712.6 is amended by revising paragraph (a)(2) to read as follows:

**§ 712.6 Advance notification and annual report of all exports and imports of Schedule 1 chemicals to, or from, other States Parties.**

(a) \* \* \*

(2) Send the advance notification either by fax to (202) 482–1731 or by mail or courier delivery to the following address: Treaty Compliance Division, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4515, 14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230, and mark it “Attn: Advance Notification of Schedule 1 Chemical [Export] [Import].”

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**PART 716—[AMENDED]**

■ 13. The authority citation for 15 CFR Part 716 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 22 U.S.C. 6701 *et seq.*; E.O. 13128, 64 FR 36703, 3 CFR 1999 Comp., p. 199.

**§ 716.6 [Amended]**

■ 14. Section 716.6 is amended by removing the phrase “1555 Wilson Blvd., Suite 700, Arlington, VA 22209, Telephone: (703) 605–4400” from paragraph (d) and adding, in its place, the phrase “Room 4515, 14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230, Telephone: (202) 482–1001”.

**PART 718—[AMENDED]**

■ 15. The authority citation for 15 CFR Part 718 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 22 U.S.C. 6701 *et seq.*; E.O. 13128, 64 FR 36703, 3 CFR 1999 Comp., p. 199.

**§ 718.3 [Amended]**

■ 16. Section 718.3 is amended by removing the parenthetical phrase “(15 CFR parts 730 through 799)” from paragraphs (a) and (b)(1) and adding, in its place, the parenthetical phrase “(15 CFR parts 730 through 774)”.

**PART 719—[AMENDED]**

■ 17. The authority citation for 15 CFR Part 719 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 22 U.S.C. 6701 *et seq.*; 50 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*; 50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*; E.O.

12938, 59 FR 59099, 3 CFR 1994, Comp., p. 950; E.O. 13128, 64 FR 36703, 3 CFR 1999 Comp., p. 199.

**§ 719.1 [Amended]**

■ 18. Section 719.1(a) is amended by removing the parenthetical phrase “(15 CFR parts 730 through 799)” from the Note to § 719.1(a) and adding, in its place, the parenthetical phrase “(15 CFR parts 730 through 774)”.

**PART 720—[AMENDED]**

■ 19. The authority citation for 15 CFR Part 720 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 22 U.S.C. 6701 *et seq.*; E.O. 13128, 64 FR 36703, 3 CFR 1999 Comp., p. 199.

**§§ 720.2, 720.3, and 720.4 [Amended]**

■ 20. Part 720 is amended by removing the parenthetical phrase “(15 CFR parts 730 through 799)” and adding, in its place, the parenthetical phrase “(15 CFR parts 730 through 774)” in the following places:

- a. Section 720.2(a), second sentence;
- b. Section 720.3(b), fourth sentence;
- and
- c. Section 720.4, first sentence.

Dated: December 16, 2008.

**Christopher R. Wall,**

*Assistant Secretary for Export Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****18 CFR Part 358**

**[Docket No. RM07–1–000]**

**Standards of Conduct for Transmission Providers**

December 15, 2008.

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

**ACTION:** Order granting an extension of time and providing notice of change in personnel.

**SUMMARY:** On October 16, 2008, the Commission issued Order No. 717, which revised the Standards of Conduct for natural gas and electric transmission providers.<sup>1</sup> Order No. 717 became effective on November 26, 2008, 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. According to Order No. 717,

<sup>1</sup> *Standards of Conduct for Transmission Providers*, Order No. 717, 73 FR 63796 (Oct. 27, 2008), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,280 (2008) (Order No. 717).

transmission providers must be in full compliance with the Standards by that date, with the exception of the posting and training requirements, with which transmission providers must be in full compliance no later than 60 days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**, or December 26, 2008. On November 17, 2008, the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) and the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America (INGAA) jointly filed a motion for extension of certain compliance deadlines under Order No. 717. This order grants EEI's and INGAA's request to extend the time for compliance with 18 CFR 358.8(c)(1), 358.7(d), 358.7(h), and 358.8(b)(2) to January 30, 2009; and for a grace period until February 27, 2009 for training of new employees hired before January 30, 2009. In addition, this order provides notice of a change in personnel.

**DATES: Compliance Date:** The time for compliance with 18 CFR 358.8(c)(1), 358.7(d), 358.7(h), and 358.8(b)(2) is extended to January 30, 2009 and new employees hired before January 30, 2009 shall be trained by February 27, 2009.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mason Emmett (Legal Information), Office of the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–6540.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** 1. On October 16, 2008, the Commission issued Order No. 717, which revised the Standards of Conduct for natural gas and electric transmission providers.<sup>2</sup> The Commission stated that Order No. 717 would become effective 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**, that is, November 26, 2008.<sup>3</sup> According to the Order, transmission providers must be in full compliance with the Standards by that date, with the exception of the posting and training requirements, with which transmission providers must be in full compliance no later than 60 days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**, or December 26, 2008.<sup>4</sup>

2. On November 17, 2008, the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) and the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America (INGAA) jointly filed a motion for extension of certain compliance deadlines under Order No. 717 to January 30, 2009. Specifically, EEI and INGAA request an extension of (1) the deadline to complete revisions to compliance procedures and training

<sup>2</sup> *Standards of Conduct for Transmission Providers*, Order No. 717, 73 Fed. Reg. 63796 (Oct. 27, 2008), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,280 (2008) (Order No. 717).

<sup>3</sup> *Id.* P. 330.

<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

materials; (2) the compliance deadline for transmission providers to post the written procedures implementing the Standards on their Internet Web sites under section 358.7(d); (3) the compliance deadline for distribution of procedures to the employees listed in section 358.8(b)(2); and, (4) the compliance deadline for recordation of information exchanges under section 358.7(h). EEI and INGAA further request an initial grace period until February 27, 2009 for the training of new employees that are hired before the transmission provider develops the new training materials and procedures. Thus, the deadline for training employees hired before January 30, 2009 would be extended to February 27, 2009, but all new hires on or after January 30, 2009 would receive training within 30 days of their employment date.

3. EEI and INGAA state that a significant commitment of time and resources is necessary to analyze the changes made under Order No. 717, to revise procedures and training materials, to implement the changes in the compliance programs, and to train new employees. And, because the current deadlines fall during the end-of-year holiday season, many employees that are needed to complete these tasks and meet these compliance deadlines have already committed to take annual leave over the holidays.

4. The Commission recognizes that due to the publication date of Order No. 717 in the **Federal Register**, the current compliance deadlines do fall during the end-of-year holiday season, making it difficult for companies to have the staff and resources available to meet the compliance requirements of the Order. Accordingly, upon consideration of the concerns raised by EEI and INGAA, the Commission will grant EEI's and INGAA's requests (1) to extend the time for compliance with 18 CFR 358.8(c)(1), 358.7(d), 358.7(h), and 358.8(b)(2) to January 30, 2009; and (2) for a grace period until February 27, 2009 for training of new employees hired before January 30, 2009.

5. As a separate matter, this order is intended to serve as a notice to participants in this proceeding that they should contact for now Mason Emmett in the Office of General Counsel (OGC) at 202-502-6540 for all future requests for further information on Order No. 717, and should also watch for future notices of other OGC contacts. Likewise, any inquiries regarding the interpretation of the Standards should be directed to the Commission's Help

Desk<sup>5</sup> and should not be directed to the Commission's Enforcement Hotline, unless the caller wishes to report a violation of the Standards.

#### The Commission Orders

The Commission hereby grants the requested extensions of certain compliance deadlines in Order No. 717, as discussed in the body of the order.

By the Commission.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG-2008-0203]

RIN 1625-AA87

#### Security Zone; Escorted Vessels in Captain of the Port Zone Jacksonville, FL

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is making permanent an interim rule establishing a security zone around any vessel being escorted by one or more Coast Guard assets, or other Federal, State, or local law enforcement assets within the Captain of the Port Zone Jacksonville, FL. This action is necessary to ensure the safe transit of escorted vessels as well as the safety and security of personnel and port facilities. No vessel or person is allowed inside the security zone unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Jacksonville, FL or a designated representative.

**DATES:** This rule is effective January 21, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, are part of docket USCG-2008-0203 and are available online by going to <http://www.regulations.gov>, selecting the Advanced Docket Search option on the right side of the screen, inserting USCG-2008-0203 in the Docket ID box, pressing Enter, and then clicking on the item in the Docket ID column. This material is also available for inspection or copying at two locations: The Docket

Management Facility (M-30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays and the Coast Guard Sector Jacksonville Prevention Department, 4200 Ocean Street, Atlantic Beach, Florida, 32233, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this rule, call Lieutenant Commander Mark Gibbs at Coast Guard Sector Jacksonville Prevention Department, Florida. Contact telephone is 904-564-7563. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202-366-9826.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Regulatory Information

On May 19, 2008, we published an Interim Rule with request for comments (IR) entitled Security Zone; Escorted Vessels in Captain of the Port Zone Jacksonville, Florida in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 28707). We received one letter commenting on the rule. No public meeting was requested, and none was held.

##### Background and Purpose

The terrorist attacks of September 2001 heightened the need for development of various security measures throughout the seaports of the United States, particularly around vessels and facilities whose presence or movement creates a heightened vulnerability to terrorist acts; or those for which the consequences of terrorist acts represent a threat to national security. The President of the United States has found that the security of the United States is and continues to be endangered following the attacks of September 11 (E.O. 13,273, 67 FR 56215, Sept. 3, 2002 and 73 FR 54489, Sept. 22, 2008). Additionally, national security and intelligence officials continue to warn that future terrorist attacks are likely.

King's Bay, GA, and the Ports of Jacksonville, FL, and Canaveral, FL frequently receive vessels that require additional security, including, but not limited to, vessels that carry sensitive Department of Defense cargoes, vessels that carry dangerous cargoes, and foreign naval vessels. The Captain of the Port (COTP) Jacksonville has determined that these vessels have a significant vulnerability to subversive activity by vessels or persons or, in

<sup>5</sup> Questions can be submitted to the Help Desk via an online form available at <http://www.ferc.gov/contact-us/compliance-help-desk.asp>.