analytical method for residues is not applicable. It is expected that, when used as proposed, prohydrojasmon will not result in residues that are of toxicological concern.

## List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 180

Environmental protection, Agricultural commodities, Feed additives, Food additives, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: February 2, 2012.

#### Keith Matthews,

Director, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

40 CFR Parts 280 and 281

[EPA-HQ-UST-2011-0301; FRL-9631-6] RIN 2050-AG46

Revising Underground Storage Tank Regulations—Revisions to Existing Requirements and New Requirements for Secondary Containment and Operator Training

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is extending the public comment period for the proposed changes to the 1988 underground storage tank (UST) technical, financial responsibility, and state program approval regulations published in the Federal Register on November 18, 2011 (76 FR 71708) (FRL-9485-5). These changes establish federal requirements that are similar to key portions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005; they also update certain 1988 UST regulations. Proposed changes include: Adding secondary containment requirements for new and replaced tanks and piping; adding operator training requirements; adding periodic operation and maintenance requirements for UST systems; removing certain deferrals; adding new release prevention and detection technologies; updating codes of practice; making editorial and technical corrections; and updating state program approval requirements to incorporate these new changes. These changes will likely protect human health and the environment by increasing the number of prevented UST releases and quickly detecting them, if

they occur. This document extends the comment period for 60 days, from February 16, 2012 until April 16, 2012. DATES: Comments must be received on

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 16, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-UST-2011-0301, by one of the following methods:

- www.regulations.gov: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- Email: mcdermott.elizabeth@epa. gov.
- Mail: EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OPA-2009-0880, Mail Code 2822T, 1200
  Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460. In addition, please mail a copy of your comments on the information collection provisions to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attn: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503.
- Hand Delivery: EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington DC 20460. Attention Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–UST–2011–0301. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-UST-2011-0301. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at www. regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through www.regulations.gov or email. The www.regulations.gov Web site is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to EPA without going through www.regulations.gov your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to

technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm.

Docket: All documents in the docket are listed in the www.regulations.gov index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in www.regulations. gov or in hard copy at the Docket, EPA/ DC, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC) is (202) 566-0276.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elizabeth McDermott, OSWER/OUST (5401P), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 703–603–7175; email address: mcdermott.elizabeth@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This document extends the public comment period established in the **Federal** Register on November 18, 2011. In that document EPA proposed changes that establish federal requirements that are similar to key portions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005; they also update certain 1988 UST regulations. Several potential commenters requested an extension to the comment period. EPA is hereby extending the comment period, which was set to end on February 16, 2012, to April 16, 2012. To submit comments, please follow the detailed instructions as provided under **ADDRESSES**. If you have questions, consult the individual listed under FOR **FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.** 

## List of Subjects

40 CFR Part 280

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedures, Confidential business information, Groundwater, Hazardous materials, Petroleum, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Underground storage tanks, Water pollution control, Water supply.

40 CFR Part 281

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedures, Hazardous materials, Petroleum, State program approval, Underground storage tanks.

Dated: February 8, 2012.

## Carolyn Hoskinson,

Director, Office of Underground Storage Tanks, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

## National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 300

[Docket No. 120118051-1693-01]

RIN 0648-BB64

International Fisheries; Western and Central Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; High Seas Transshipment Prohibitions

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce

**ACTION:** Advance notice of proposed rulemaking; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS is considering promulgating regulations under the authority of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Convention Implementation Act (WCPFC Implementation Act) to prohibit the transshipment of highly migratory species (HMS) on the high seas to or from certain types of U.S. vessels that operate in the area of application of the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (Convention). These regulations would implement certain decisions of the Commission for the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean (Commission or WCPFC) in order to meet the obligations of the United States under the Convention. NMFS issues this advance notice of proposed rulemaking to solicit information and comments about HMS transshipment activities by U.S. vessels, and the potential effects of a prohibition on high seas transshipments in the Convention Area.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted in writing by April 16, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR), identified by NOAA–NMFS–2012–0001, may be sent to either of the following addresses:

- Electronic submission: Submit all electronic public comments via the Federal e-Rulemaking portal http://www.regulations.gov; or
- Mail: Mail written comments to Michael D. Tosatto, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Pacific Islands Regional Office (PIRO), 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 1110, Honolulu, HI 96814– 4700.

Instructions: Comments must be submitted to one of the two addresses to ensure that the comments are received, documented, and considered by NMFS. Comments sent to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered. All comments received are part of the public record and generally will be posted for public viewing on http://www.regulations.gov without change. All personal identifying information (for example, name and address) voluntarily submitted by the commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit confidential business information or otherwise sensitive or protected information. NMFS will accept anonymous comments (enter "N/A" in the relevant required fields if you wish to remain anonymous). Attachments to electronic comments will be accepted in Microsoft Word or Excel, WordPerfect, or Adobe PDF file formats only.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rini Ghosh, NMFS PIRO, (808) 944–2273. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Electronic Access**

This advance notice of proposed rulemaking is also accessible at http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr.

# Background on the Convention and the WCPFC

The Convention Area comprises the majority of the western and central Pacific Ocean. A map showing the boundaries of the Convention Area can be found on the WCPFC Web site at: <a href="http://www.wcpfc.int/doc/convention-area-map">http://www.wcpfc.int/doc/convention-area-map</a>. The Convention focuses on the conservation and management of HMS and the management of fisheries for HMS.

As a Contracting Party to the Convention and a Member of the WCPFC, the United States is obligated to implement the decisions of the WCPFC. The WCPFC Implementation Act (16 U.S.C. 6901 et seq.) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of the Department in which the United States Coast Guard is operating (currently the Department of Homeland Security), to promulgate such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the obligations of the United States under the Convention, including the decisions of the WCPFC. The authority to promulgate regulations has been delegated to NMFS.

## WCPFC Decision Regarding the Prohibition of Transshipments on the High Seas in the Convention Area

At its Sixth Regular Annual Session, in December 2009, the WCPFC adopted Conservation and Management Measure (CMM) 2009-06, "Conservation and Management Measure on the Regulation of Transhipment." The CMM, available with other decisions of the WCPFC at http://www.wcpfc.int/conservation-andmanagement-measures, furthers the objectives of Article 29 of the Convention and includes specific obligations for WCPFC Members, Participating Territories, and Cooperating Non-Members (collectively, CCMs) to regulate transshipment activities in the Convention Area and transshipments elsewhere of HMS caught in the Convention Area. NMFS is implementing the majority of the provisions of CMM 2009-06 in a separate rulemaking proceeding (see NOAA-NMFS-2011-0281 at www.regulations.gov).

Under the Convention, CCMs are obligated with limited exceptions to prohibit transshipments at sea involving purse seine vessels in the Convention Area. NMFS has implemented this prohibition (see 50 CFR 300.216(b)). CMM 2009-06 contains a provision obligating CCMs to prohibit their vessels (other than purse seine vessels) from transshipping HMS on the high seas in the Convention Area, subject to certain considerations. The prohibition does not apply to vessels for which the flag CCM has determined that it is impracticable for them to operate without being able to transship on the high seas, and has advised the WCPFC of such. Paragraph 37 of CMM 2009-06 sets forth interim guidelines for CCMs to use in making such determinations. CMM 2009–06 calls for the WCPFC to consider adopting definitive guidelines in 2012.

Under the interim guidelines, vessels are to be excepted from the prohibition on transshipment on the high seas when the flag CCM determines that: (1) The prohibition of transshipment on the high seas would cause a significant