

Authority: Secs. 702(a)(5), 1147, 1601, 1602, 1611(c) and (e), and 1631(a)–(d) and (g) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 902(a)(5), 1320b–17, 1381, 1381a, 1382(c) and (e), and 1383(a)–(d) and (g)); 31 U.S.C. 3720A.

2. Section 416.570 is amended by revising the third sentence to read:

§ 416.570 Adjustment-general rule.

* * * Absent a specific request from the person from whom recovery is sought, no overpayment made under title II, title VIII or title XVIII of the Act will be recovered by adjusting SSI benefits.

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3. Section 416.572 is amended by revising the heading and paragraphs (a), (b), (c)(2), and (e) to read as follows:

§ 416.572 Are title II benefits and title VIII benefits subject to adjustment to recover title XVI overpayments?

(a) *Definitions*—(1) *Cross-program recovery.* Cross-program recovery is the process that we will use to collect title XVI overpayments from benefits payable to you in a month under title II and title VIII of the Act.

(2) *Benefits payable in a month.* For purposes of this section, benefits payable in a month means the amount of title II or title VIII benefits that you would actually receive in that month. For title II benefits, it includes your monthly benefit and any past due benefits after any reductions or deductions listed in § 404.401(a) and (b) of this chapter. For title VIII benefits, it includes your monthly benefit and any past due benefits after any reduction by the amount of income for the month required by section 805 of the Act.

Title II Example: A person is entitled to monthly title II benefits of \$1000. The first benefit payment the person would receive includes past-due benefits of \$1000. The amount of benefits payable in that month for purposes of cross-program recovery is \$2000. So, if we were recovering 10 percent of that month's benefit, we would be recovering \$200. The monthly benefit payable for subsequent months is \$1000. So, if we were recovering 10 percent of that amount, we would be recovering \$100. If \$200 would be deducted from the person's title II benefits in a later month because of excess earnings as described in §§ 404.415 and 404.416 of this chapter, the benefit payable in that month for purposes of cross-program recovery would be \$800. So, if we were recovering 10 percent of that month's benefit, we would be recovering \$80.

Title VIII Example: A person qualifies for monthly title VIII benefits of \$384. The person is receiving a monthly pension payment of \$150 from his employer. The title VIII benefit payable in a particular month would be reduced by \$150 under section 805 of the Act (42 U.S.C. 1005). The title VIII benefit payable and subject to withholding in

that month for purposes of cross-program recovery would be \$234. So, if we were recovering 10 percent of that month's benefit, we would be recovering \$23.40.

(3) *Not currently eligible for SSI cash benefits.* This means that a person is not receiving any cash payment, including State supplementary payments, under any provision of title XVI of the Act or under section 212(b) of Pub. L. 93–66.

(b) *When we may collect title XVI overpayments using cross-program recovery.* (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (b)(2) through (4) of this section, we may use cross-program recovery to collect a title XVI overpayment you owe if:

(i) You are not currently eligible for SSI cash benefits, and

(ii) You are receiving title II or title VIII benefits.

(2) We will not start cross-program recovery against your title II or title VIII benefits if you are refunding your title XVI overpayment by regular monthly installments.

(3) We will not start cross-program recovery against your title II benefits if we are adjusting your title II benefits to recover a title II overpayment under § 404.502 of this chapter or a title VIII overpayment under section 808(a)(1) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 1008(a)(1)).

(4) We will not start cross-program recovery against your title VIII benefits if we are adjusting your title VIII benefits to recover a title VIII overpayment under section 808(a)(1) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 1008(a)(1)).

(c) * * *

(2) We will withhold a specific amount from the title II benefits and/or title VIII benefits payable to you in a month (see paragraph (e) of this section);

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(e) *Rate of withholding.* (1) We will collect the overpayment at the rate of 10 percent of the title II benefits and title VIII benefits payable to you in any month, unless:

(i) You request and we approve a different rate of withholding, or

(ii) You or your spouse willfully misrepresented or concealed material information in connection with the overpayment.

(2) In determining whether to grant your request that we withhold at a lower rate than 10 percent of the title II benefits payable in a month, we will use the criteria applied under § 416.571 to similar requests about withholding from title XVI benefits.

(3) If you or your spouse willfully misrepresented or concealed material information in connection with the overpayment, we will collect the

overpayment at the rate of 100 percent of the title II benefits and title VIII benefits payable in any month. We will not collect at a lesser rate. (See § 416.571 for what we mean by concealment of material information.)

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

24 CFR Part 1000

[Docket No. FR–4676–C–02]

Indian Housing Block Grant Allocation Formula; Notice of Intent To Establish a Negotiated Rulemaking Committee and Request for Nominations; Correction

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: On July 16, 2001, HUD published a notice announcing its intent to establish a negotiated rulemaking committee for the purpose of negotiating a proposed rule that would revise the allocation formula used under the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Program. The establishment of the committee will offer Indian tribal governments the opportunity to have input into any changes determined to be necessary to improve the distribution of funds under the IHBG Program. The July 16, 2001 notice contained a typographical error regarding the tentative date and locale of the first negotiated rulemaking committee meeting. The purpose of this document is to make the necessary correction and to advise the public that, at this time, HUD has not yet determined the date or location of the first committee meeting.

DATES: *Comment Due Date:* The comment due date announced in the July 16, 2001 notice remains unchanged. Comments on the July 16, 2001 notice are due on or before August 15, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding the Committee and its proposed members to the Office of the Rules Docket Clerk, Office of General Counsel, Room 10276, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410–0500. Communications should refer to the above docket number and title. Facsimile (FAX) comments are *not* acceptable. A copy of each communication submitted will be available for public inspection and

copying between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. weekdays at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ted Key, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Native American Programs, Office Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 4126, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410-0500; telephone (202) 401-7914 (this number is not toll-free). Hearing or speech-impaired individuals may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On July 16, 2001 (66 FR 37098), HUD published a notice announcing its intent to establish a negotiated rulemaking committee for the purpose of negotiating a proposed rule that would revise the allocation formula used under the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Program. The establishment of the committee will offer Indian tribal governments the opportunity to have input into any changes determined to be necessary to improve the distribution of funds under the IHBG Program. Section IV. of the July 16, 2001 notice (entitled "Tentative Schedule") contained a typographical error regarding the tentative date and locale of the first negotiated rulemaking committee meeting. Specifically, the notice contained a notation to insert the approximate date and location of the meeting, but did not provide the necessary information. The purpose of this document is to make the necessary correction.

At this time, HUD has not yet determined the date or location of the first committee meeting. Once determined, HUD will provide advance notice of the meeting through **Federal Register** notice. All meetings of the negotiated rulemaking committee will be open to the public without advance registration. Public attendance may be limited to the space available. Members of the public will be provided the opportunity to make statements during the meeting, to the extent time permits, and file written statements with the committee for its consideration. In the event that the date and time of these meetings are changed, HUD will advise the public through **Federal Register** notice.

Dated: July 20, 2001.

Paula O. Blunt,

Acting General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 70

[FRL-7012-8]

Clean Air Act Full Approval of Operating Permits Program in Alaska

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to fully approve the operating permits program submitted by the State of Alaska. Alaska's operating permits program was submitted in response to the directive in the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments that permitting authorities develop, and submit to EPA, programs for issuing operating permits to all major stationary sources and to certain other sources within the permitting authority's jurisdiction. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the Alaska operating permits program as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial action and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Written comments must be received in writing by August 27, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to Denise Baker, Environmental Protection Specialist (OAQ-107), Office of Air Quality, at the EPA Regional Office listed below. Copies of Alaska's submittal, and other supporting information used in developing this action, are available for inspection during normal business hours at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington, 98101. Interested persons wanting to examine these documents should make an appointment with the appropriate office at least 24 hours before the visiting day.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denise Baker, Office of Air Quality (OAQ-107), EPA, 1200 6th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101, (206) 553-8087.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information, see the Direct Final rule which is located in the Rules section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: July 3, 2001.

Charles Findley,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 10.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 81

[Docket OR-01-005b; FRL-7018-7]

Finding of Attainment for PM-10; Oakridge, Oregon, PM-10 Nonattainment Area

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to determine that the Oakridge nonattainment area in Oregon has attained the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of less than, or equal to a nominal ten micrometers (PM-10) as of December 31, 1999.

In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, the EPA is publishing its determination as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial determination and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated.

If the EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. The EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before August 27, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to, Steven K. Body, (OAQ-107), Office of Air Quality, at the EPA Regional Office listed below.

Copies of air quality data and other relevant information supporting this action are available for inspection during normal business hours at the following location: EPA, Office of Air Quality (OAQ-107), 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98101.