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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

15 CFR Part 922

Initiation of Review of Management Plan for the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary; Notice of Scoping Meetings

AGENCY: Marine Sanctuaries Division (MSD), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Initiation of review of management plan; Notice of scoping meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 304(e) of the National Marine Sanctuaries Act, as amended, (NMSA) (16 U.S.C. 1431 et seq.), the Marine Sanctuaries Division of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is initiating a review of the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary (FKNMS or Sanctuary) Management Plan, to evaluate substantive progress toward implementing the goals for the Sanctuary, and to make revisions to the plan and regulations as necessary to fulfill the purposes and policies of the NMSA.

NOAA will conduct public scoping meetings to gather information and comments from individuals, organizations, and government agencies on the scope, types and significance of issues related to the Sanctuary's management plan and regulations.

DATES: Written comments should be received by July 20, 2001.

The scoping meeting dates are:

1. Thursday, June 21, 2001, 7:00 p.m. in Marathon.
2. Friday, June 22, 2001, 7:00 p.m. in Key Largo.
3. Tuesday, June 26, 2001, 7:00 p.m. in Key West.

ADDRESSES: Mail written comments to the Florida Keys National Marine

Sanctuary (Management Plan Review), Post Office Box 500368, Marathon, FL 33050. Comments will be available for public review at the same address.

The scoping meeting locations are:

1. Marathon—Marathon Garden Club, 5270 Overseas Highway, Marathon, FL.
2. Key Largo—Key Largo Library, Tradewinds Shopping Center, 101485 Overseas Highway, Key Largo, FL.
3. Key West—Holiday Inn Beachside, 3841 N. Roosevelt Blvd., Key West, FL.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Billy D. Causey, Sanctuary Superintendent, (305) 743-2437x26.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary was designated by the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary and Protection Act (FKNMSPA) P.L. 101-605. The Sanctuary includes 2900 square nautical miles of coastal and ocean waters, and the submerged lands thereunder, surrounding the Florida Keys. The 2.5 million-acre Sanctuary contains one of North America's most diverse assemblages of terrestrial, estuarine, and marine fauna and flora, including, in addition to the Florida reef tract, thousands of patch reefs, one of the largest sea grass communities covering 1.4 million acres, mangrove fringed shorelines, mangrove islands, and various hardbottom habitats. These diverse habitats provide shelter and food for thousands of species of marine plants and animals, including more than 50 species of animals identified under federal or state law, as endangered or threatened. The present Management Plan for the Sanctuary was completed in 1996.

The proposed revised Management Plan will likely involve changes to existing management policies of the Sanctuary, to address current issues and challenges, and to better protect and manage the Sanctuary's resources and qualities. NOAA anticipates completion of the revised Management Plan by June 30, 2002, and concomitant documents, including any revised regulations, will require approximately six to twelve additional months.

This timeline will allow NOAA to prepare a revised plan to be submitted to the Governor of the State of Florida for review and approval in July 2002. The State of Florida is a co-trustee in the management of the Sanctuary and NOAA has determined that at the conclusion of the five-year review of the

Sanctuary, it will re-propose the management plan and regulations for the Governor's review, similar to the forty-five day review period required under section 304(b) of the National Marine Sanctuary Act at the time a national marine sanctuary is being designated (16 U.S.C. 1434(b)).

Authority: 16 U.S.C. section 1431 et seq.

(Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number 11.429 Marine Sanctuary Program)
Dated: June 4, 2001.

Ted I. Lillestolen,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

37 CFR Parts 1 and 2

[Docket No. 991105297-1125-03]

RIN 0651-AB01

Revision of Patent and Trademark Fees for Fiscal Year 2002; Correction

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking; correction.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office published a proposed rule in the **Federal Register** of May 9, 2001, revising certain patent fee amounts and a trademark fee amount for fiscal year 2002, changing the maintenance fee correspondence address, and amending a fee to reflect current business practice. This document corrects one error in that proposed rule.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Matthew Lee by e-mail at matthew.lee@uspto.gov, by telephone at (703) 305-8051, or by fax at (703) 305-8007.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States Patent and Trademark Office published a proposed rule entitled "Revision of Patent and Trademark Fees for Fiscal Year 2002" in the **Federal Register** of May 9, 2001 (66 FR 23642). The proposed rule contains an error in the Other Considerations section. The paragraph that references

an appendix comparing existing and proposed fee amounts should have been omitted. The appendix was referenced for informational purposes only. This document corrects the error in the Other Considerations section.

In rule FR Doc. 01-11591, published on May 9, 2001 (66 FR 23642), make the following correction. On page 23643, in the third column, remove the third paragraph from the Other Considerations section.

Dated: May 31, 2001.

Nicholas P. Godici,

Acting Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Acting Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[RI-022a; A-1-FRL-6990-7]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Rhode Island; Post-1996 Rate-of-Progress Emission Reduction Plans

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA is proposing to approve a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of Rhode Island. This revision establishes a post-1996 rate-of-progress (ROP) plan for the Providence serious ozone nonattainment area. In the Final Rules section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is approving the State's SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal 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. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those provisions

of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before July 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to David Conroy, Unit Manager, Air Quality Planning, Office of Ecosystem Protection (mail code CAQ), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA—New England, One Congress Street, Suite 1100, Boston, MA 02114-2023. Copies of the State submittal and EPA's technical support document are available for public inspection during normal business hours, by appointment at the Office of Ecosystem Protection, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, EPA—New England, One Congress Street, 11th floor, Boston, MA and at the Office of Air Resources, Department of Environmental Management, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI 02908-5767.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert McConnell, (617) 918-1046.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information, see the direct final rule which is located in the Rules Section of this **Federal Register**.

Dated: May 21, 2001.

Ira W. Leighton,

Acting Regional Administrator, EPA—New England.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[CA 095-0237b; FRL-6987-4]

Revisions to the Arizona and California State Implementation Plans, Maricopa County Environmental Services Department, Placer County Air Pollution Control District and South Coast Air Quality Management District

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to approve revisions to the Maricopa County Environmental Services Department (MCESD) portion of the Arizona State Implementation Plan (SIP), and the Placer County Air Pollution Control District (PCAPCD) and South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) portions of the California SIP. These revisions concern volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from Pharmaceutical, Cosmetic and Vitamin Manufacturing Operations, Fiberboard Manufacturing, and

Hydrogen Plant Process Vents. We are proposing to approve local rules to regulate these emission sources under the Clean Air Act as amended in 1990 (CAA or the Act).

DATE: Any comments on this proposal must arrive by July 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments to Andy Steckel, Rulemaking Office Chief (AIR-4), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901.

You can inspect copies of the submitted SIP revisions and EPA's technical support documents (TSDs) at our Region IX office during normal business hours. You may also see copies of the submitted SIP revisions at the following locations:

California Air Resources Board, Stationary Source Division, Rule Evaluation Section, 1001 "I" Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Maricopa County Environmental Services Department, 1001 N. Central Avenue, Suite 201, Phoenix, Arizona, 85004-1942

Placer County APCD, DeWitt Center, 11464 "B" Ave., Auburn, CA 95603-2603

South Coast AQMD, 21865 E. Copley Dr., Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4182

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ed Addison, Rulemaking Office (Air-4), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, (415) 744-1160.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This proposal addresses the following local rules: MCESD 349—Pharmaceutical, Cosmetic and Vitamin Manufacturing Operations, PCAPCD 229—Fiberboard Manufacturing, and SCAQMD 1189—Hydrogen Plant Process Vents. In the Rules and Regulations section of this **Federal Register**, we are approving these local rules in a direct final action without prior proposal because we believe these SIP revisions are not controversial. If we receive adverse comments, however, we will publish a timely withdrawal of the direct final rule and address the comments in subsequent action based on this proposed rule. We do not plan to open a second comment period, so anyone interested in commenting should do so at this time. If we do not receive adverse comments, no further activity is planned. For further information, please see the direct final action.

Dated: April 27, 2001.

Mike Schulz,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region IX.

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