

on the economy of \$100 million or more; a major increase in costs or prices; or significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or the ability of United States-based enterprises to compete with foreign-based enterprises in domestic and export markets.

This action pertains to agency management, personnel, and organization and does not substantially affect the rights or obligations of non-agency parties. Accordingly, it is not a "rule" for purposes of the reporting requirement of 5 U.S.C. 801.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Attorney General, in accordance with the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 605(b)), has reviewed this regulation and by approving it certifies that this regulation will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities because it pertains to personnel and administrative matters affecting the Department. Further, a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis was not required to be prepared for this final rule since the Department was not required to publish a general notice of proposed rulemaking for this matter.

List of Subjects in 28 CFR Part 0

Authority delegations (government agencies), Government employees, Organization and functions (government agencies), Whistleblowing.

■ Accordingly, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Attorney General, including 5 U.S.C. 301, 28 U.S.C. 509 and 510, Chapter I of Title 28 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 0—ORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

■ 1. The authority citation for part 0 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301; 28 U.S.C. 509, 510, 515–519.

§ 0.1 [Amended]

■ 2. Revise § 0.1 by adding at the end of the list under "Offices" the title "Office on Violence Against Women."

■ 3. Add Subpart U–2 to Part 0, to read as follows:

Subpart U–2—Office on Violence Against Women

Sec.
0.122 Office on Violence Against Women.

§ 0.122 Office on Violence Against Women.

(a) The Director, Office on Violence Against Women, under the general authority of the Attorney General, shall:

(1) Exercise the powers and perform the duties and functions described in section 402(3) of title IV of the 21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act (Pub. L. 107–273); and

(2) Perform such other duties and functions relating to such duties as may be authorized by law or assigned or delegated by the Attorney General, consistent with constitutional limits on the Federal Government's authority to act in this area.

(b) Departmental regulations set forth in 28 CFR part 61, Appendix D, applicable to the Office of Justice Programs, shall apply with equal force and effect to the Office on Violence Against Women, with references to the Office of Justice Assistance, Research and Statistics, and its components, in such regulations deemed to refer to the Office on Violence Against Women, as appropriate.

Dated: April 12, 2006.

Alberto R. Gonzales,
Attorney General.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

32 CFR Part 64

[DoD–2006–OS–0022]

[RIN 0790–AH92]

Management and Mobilization of Regular and Reserve Retired Military Members

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Interim final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule prescribes uniform policy and guidance governing the peacetime management of retired military personnel, both Regular and Reserve, in preparation for their use during a mobilization. It impacts non-DoD organizations that have DoD-related missions, such as the Department of Homeland Security and the Selective Service System, and non-DoD organizations that have North Atlantic Treaty Organization-related missions, under agreements with those non-DoD organizations and advises all federal agency managers of the possible use of military retirees who may be in their employment as civilians.

DATES: This rule is effective April 18, 2006. Comments must be received by June 19, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and/or RIN number and title, by any of the following methods:

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

• *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–1160.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number or Regulatory Information Number (RIN) for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Executive Order 12866, "Regulatory Planning and Review"

It has been determined that 32 CFR part 64 is not a significant regulatory action. The rule does not:

(1) Have an annual effect to the economy of \$100 million or more or adversely affect in a material way the economy; a section of the economy; productivity; competition; jobs; the environment; public health or safety; or State, local, or tribal governments or communities;

(2) Create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action taken or planned by another Agency;

(3) Materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees, or loan programs, or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof;

or

(4) Raise novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President's priorities, or the principles set forth in this Executive Order.

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (Sec. 202, Pub. L. 104–4)

It has been certified that this rule does not contain a Federal mandate that may result in the expenditure by State, local and tribal governments, in aggregate, or by the private sector, of \$100 million or more in any one year.

Public Law 96-354, "Regulatory Flexibility Act" (5 U.S.C. 601)

It has been certified that this rule is not subject to the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601) because it would not, if promulgated, have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The impact of this DoD policy is to offer federal agencies the opportunity to identify civilian positions that could be filled by military retirees during times of war or national emergency, and to coordinate those possible requirements with the DoD. This policy does not impact small entities.

Public Law 96-511, "Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35)"

It has been certified that this rule does not impose reporting or recordkeeping requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

Executive Order 13132, "Federalism"

It has been certified that this rule does not have federalism implications, as set forth in Executive Order 13132. This rule does not have substantial direct effects on:

- (1) The States;
- (2) The relationship between the National Government and the States; or
- (3) The distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 64

Military personnel.

■ For the reasons set forth in the preamble, 32 CFR part 64 is revised to read as follows:

PART 64—MANAGEMENT AND MOBILIZATION OF REGULAR AND RESERVE RETIRED MILITARY MEMBERS

Sec.

- 64.1 Purpose.
- 64.2 Applicability and scope.
- 64.3 Definitions.
- 64.4 Policy.
- 64.5 Responsibilities.

Authority: 10 U.S.C. 688, 973, and 12301(a).

§ 64.1 Purpose.

This part implements 10 U.S.C. 688, 973, 12301(a), and 12307 by prescribing uniform policy and guidance governing the peacetime management of retired Regular and Reserve military personnel preparing for their use during a mobilization.

§ 64.2 Applicability and scope.

This part:

- (a) Applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military

Departments (including the Coast Guard when it is not operating as part of the Navy by agreement with the Department of Homeland Security), the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Combatant Commands, the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Agencies, the DoD Field Activities, and all other organizational entities in the Department of Defense (hereafter referred to as the "DoD Components"). The term "Military Services," as used herein, refers to the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, the Marine Corps, and the Coast Guard. The term "Secretary concerned," refers to the respective Secretaries of the Military Departments and the Secretary of Homeland Security for the Coast Guard when it is not operating as part of the Navy. (b) This part also applies to non-DoD organizations that have DoD-related missions, such as the Department of Homeland Security and the Selective Service System, and non-DoD organizations that have North Atlantic Treaty Organization-related missions, under agreements with those non-DoD organizations.

§ 64.3 Definitions.

(a) *Key employee.* Any Reservist or any military retiree (Regular or Reserve) identified by his or her employer, private or public, as filling a key position.

(b) *Key position.* A civilian position, public or private (designated by an employer and approved by the Secretary concerned), that cannot be vacated during war, a national emergency, or mobilization without seriously impairing the capability of the parent agency or office to function effectively, while meeting the criteria for designating key positions as outlined in Department of Defense Directive 1200.7.¹

(c) *Military retiree categories.* (1) *Category I.* Non-disability military retirees under age 60 who have been retired fewer than 5 years.

(2) *Category II.* Non-disability military retirees under age 60 who have been retired 5 years or more.

(3) *Category III.* Military retirees, including those retired for disability, other than categories I or II retirees (includes warrant officers and healthcare professionals who retire from active duty after age 60).

(d) *Military retirees or retired military members.* (1) Regular and Reserve officers and enlisted members who retire from the Military Services under 10 U.S.C. Chapters 61, 63, 65, 1223, 367,

571, or 573, and 14 U.S.C. Chapters 11 and 21.

(2) Reserve officers and enlisted members eligible for retirement under one of the provisions of law in § 64.3(d) who have not reached age 60 and who have not elected discharge or are not members of the Ready Reserve or Standby Reserve (including members of the Inactive Standby Reserve).

(3) Members of the Fleet Reserve and Fleet Marine Corps Reserve under 10 U.S.C. 6330.

§ 64.4 Policy.

(a) It is DoD policy that military retirees be ordered to active duty as needed to perform such duties as the Secretary concerned considers necessary in the interests of national defense as described in 10 U.S.C. 12301 and 688.

(b) The DoD Components and the Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard shall plan to use as many retirees as necessary to meet national security needs.

(c) The military retirees ordered to active duty may be used according to guidance prescribed by the Secretary concerned as follows:

(1) To fill shortages or to augment deployed or deploying units and activities or units in the Continental United States, Alaska, and Hawaii supporting deployed units.

(2) To release other military members for deployment overseas.

(3) Subject to the limitations of 10 U.S.C. 973, Federal civilian workforce shortages in the Department of Defense, the U.S. Coast Guard, or other Government entities.

(4) To meet national security needs in organizations outside the Department of Defense with Defense-related missions, if the detail outside the Department of Defense is approved according to DoD Directive 1000.17.²

(5) To perform other duties that the Secretary concerned considers necessary in the interests of national defense.

(d) Military retirees shall be ordered to active duty with full pay and allowances. They may not be used to fill mobilization billets in a non-pay status.

(e) Military retirees serving on active duty may be reassigned to meet the needs of the Military Service.

§ 64.5 Responsibilities.

(a) The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs and the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Military Personnel Policy) (DUSD(MPP)), under the Under Secretary of Defense for

¹ Copies may be obtained from <http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives>.

² See § 64.3(b).

Personnel and Readiness, shall provide policy guidance for the management and mobilization of DoD military retirees.

(b) The Secretaries of the Military Departments and the Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard shall ensure plans for the management and mobilization of military retirees are consistent with this rule.

(c) The Directors of the Defense Agencies, the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Director of the Selective Service System, and Heads of Federal Agencies, shall, by agreement, assist in identifying military and Federal civilian wartime positions that are suitable to be filled by military retirees. They shall also process those requirements according to Departmental policy, including any appropriate coordination under Department of Defense Directive 1000.17,³ before the positions are filled by the Military Services. The Secretary of the Military Department shall retain the right to disapprove the request if no military retiree is available.

(d) The Secretaries of the Military Departments, or designees, shall:

(1) Prepare plans and establish procedures for mobilization of military retirees according to this rule.

(2) Determine the extent of military retiree mobilization requirements based on existing inventories and inventory projections for mobilization of qualified Reservists in an active status in the Ready Reserve, including Individual Ready Reserve and the Inactive National Guard (when placed in an active status), or the Standby Reserve.

(3) Develop procedures for identifying retiree Categories I and II and conduct screening of retirees according to Department of Defense Directive 1200.7.⁴

(4) Maintain necessary records on military retirees and their military qualifications. Maintain records for military retiree Categories I and II, including retirees who are key employees, and their availability for mobilization, civilian employment, and physical condition. Data shall be

(5) Advise military retirees of their duty to provide the Military Services with accurate mailing addresses and any changes in civilian employment, military qualifications, availability for service, and physical condition.

(6) Pre-assign retired members, when determined appropriate and as necessary.

(7) Determine refresher training requirements.

Dated: April 11, 2006.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

48 CFR Part 950

Extraordinary Contractual Actions

CFR Correction

In Title 48 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Chapters 7 to 14, revised as of Oct. 1, 2005, on page 368, part 950 is corrected by removing sections 950.7000 and 951.7001, and reinstating sections 950.7000 and 950.7001 in their place to read as follows:

§ 950.7000 Scope of subpart.

This subpart describes the established policies concerning indemnification of DOE contractors against public liability for a nuclear incident arising out of or in connection with the contract activity.

[49 FR 12039, Mar. 28, 1984, as amended at 56 FR 57827, Nov. 14, 1991]

§ 950.7001 Applicability

The policies and procedures of this subpart shall govern DOE's entering into agreements of indemnification with recipients of a contract whose work under the contract involves the risk of public liability for a nuclear incident or precautionary evacuation.

[49 FR 12039, Mar. 28, 1984, as amended at 56 FR 57827, Nov. 14, 1991]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 060216045-6045-01; I.D. 041206A]

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, and "Other Flatfish" by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area

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

ACTION: Temporary rule; closure.

SUMMARY: NMFS is closing directed fishing for rock sole, flathead sole, and

"other flatfish" by vessels using trawl gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands management area (BSAI). This action is necessary to prevent exceeding the second seasonal allowance of the 2006 halibut bycatch allowance specified for the trawl rock sole, flathead sole, and "other flatfish" fishery category in the BSAI.

DATES: Effective 1200 hrs, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), April 13, 2006, through 1200 hrs, A.l.t., July 1, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Josh Keaton, 907-586-7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS manages the groundfish fishery in the BSAI according to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area (FMP) prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Regulations governing fishing by U.S. vessels in accordance with the FMP appear at subpart H of 50 CFR part 600 and 50 CFR part 679.

The second seasonal allowance of the 2006 halibut bycatch allowance specified for the trawl rock sole, flathead sole, and "other flatfish" fishery category in the BSAI is 164 metric tons as established by the 2006 and 2007 final harvest specifications for groundfish in the BSAI (71 FR 10894, March 3, 2006).

In accordance with § 679.21(e)(7)(v), the Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS, has determined that the second seasonal allowance of the 2006 halibut bycatch allowance specified for the trawl rock sole, flathead sole, and "other flatfish" fishery category in the BSAI has been caught. Consequently, NMFS is closing directed fishing for rock sole, flathead sole, and "other flatfish" by vessels using trawl gear in the BSAI.

"Other flatfish" includes Alaska plaice, as well as all other flatfish species except for Pacific halibut (a prohibited species), Greenland turbot, rock sole, yellowfin sole, flathead sole, and arrowtooth flounder.

After the effective date of this closure the maximum retainable amounts at § 679.20(e) and (f) apply at any time during a trip.

Classification

This action responds to the best available information recently obtained from the fishery. The Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA (AA), finds good cause to waive the requirement to provide prior notice and opportunity for public comment pursuant to the authority set forth at 5

³ See § 64.3(b).

⁴ See § 64.3(b).