

constructed from layers of fabric material with a flat plastic string inserted between the layers, with a skin adhesive applied to adhere to the skin of the nose. The external dilator acts with a pulling action to open the nares. The internal nasal dilator is constructed from metal or plastic and is placed inside the nostrils. It acts by pushing the nostrils open or by gently pressing on the columella.

(b) *Classification.* Class I (general controls). This device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter.

3. Section 874.4780 is added to subpart E to read as follows:

§ 874.4780 Intranasal splint.

(a) *Identification.* An intranasal splint is a device intended to minimize bleeding and edema to prevent adhesions between the septum and the nasal cavity. The intranasal splint is constructed between the septum and the nasal cavity. The intranasal splint is constructed from plastic, silicone, or absorbent material and is placed in the nasal cavity after surgery or trauma.

(b) *Classification.* Class I (general controls). The device is exempted from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter.

4. Section 874.4800 is added to subpart E to read as follows:

§ 874.4800 Bone particle collector.

(a) *Identification.* A bone particle collector is a filtering device intended to be inserted into the suction tube during the early stages of otologic surgery to collect bone particles for future use.

(b) *Classification.* Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter.

Dated: May 1, 1998.

D.B. Burlington,

Director, Center for Devices and Radiological Health.

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ACTION: Postponement of hearing and requests to videoconference hearing.

SUMMARY: This document postpones the public hearing on proposed regulations relating to the optional adjustments to the basis of partnership property following certain transfers of partnership interests under section 743, the calculation of gain or loss under section 751(a) following the sale or exchange of a partnership interest, the allocation of basis adjustments among partnership assets under section 755, the allocation of a partner's basis in its partnership interest to properties distributed to the partner by the partnership under section 732(c), and the computation of a partner's proportionate share of the adjusted basis of depreciable property (or depreciable real property) under section 1017. In addition, this document announces that persons outside the Washington, DC area who wish to testify at the public hearing on the proposed regulations may request that the Service videoconference the public hearing to their sites.

DATES: Requests to videoconference the hearing to other sites must be received by Friday, May 29, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Requests must be sent to: CC:DOM:CORP:R (REG-209682-94), room 5226, Internal Revenue Service, POB 7604, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044. Requests may also be hand delivered between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to: CC:DOM:CORP:R (REG-209682-94), Courier's Desk, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. Alternatively, taxpayers may submit requests electronically via the internet by selecting the "Tax Regs" option on the IRS Home Page, or by submitting requests directly to the IRS internet site at http://www.irs.ustreas.gov/prod/tax_regs/comments.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LaNita VanDyke of the Regulations Unit, Assistant Chief Counsel (Corporate), (202) 622-7180 (not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing appearing in the **Federal Register** on Thursday, January 29, 1998 (63 FR 4408), announced that a public hearing with respect to proposed regulations relating to adjustments to a partner's basis in its partnership interest and a partnership's basis in its assets would be held on Wednesday, July 8, 1998, beginning at 10 a.m. in the IRS Auditorium, Internal Revenue Building, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington DC, and that requests to

speak and outlines of oral comments should be received by Wednesday, June 24, 1998.

Subsequent to this announcement, the Service received a request that the hearing be videoconferenced. The Service recognizes that other persons outside the Washington, DC area may also wish to testify through videoconferencing. Those persons should now request to do so.

Requests to include other videoconferencing sites must be received by Friday, May 29, 1998. If the Service receives sufficient indications of interest to warrant videoconferencing to a particular city and if the Service has videoconferencing facilities in that city, the Service will accommodate the requests.

Accordingly, the public hearing originally scheduled for July 8, 1998, is postponed. The Service will issue a document in the **Federal Register** announcing the new date, time, and any videoconference sites of the public hearing.

Cynthia Grigsby,

Chief, Regulations Unit, Assistant Chief Counsel (Corporate).

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[LA-46-1-7384b; FRL-6008-9]

Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; Louisiana: Site-Specific Revision for the Exxon Company Baton Rouge Refinery

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: In this action, the EPA proposes to approve a site-specific revision to the Louisiana 15% Rate-of-Progress State Implementation plan. The revision extends the date of compliance for the installation of particular Volatile Organic Liquid storage tank controls for storage tanks located at the Baton Rouge Refinery of Exxon Company, U.S.A. Specifically, the revision extends the compliance date of the requirement for the installation of guide pole sliding cover gaskets on 33 storage tanks until the earlier of the next scheduled downtime of the subject tanks or December 2005.

In the Rules and Regulations Section of this **Federal Register**, the EPA is approving the State's SIP revision as a direct final rule without prior proposal

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

26 CFR Part 1

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Adjustments Following Sales of Partnership Interests

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial revision and anticipates no adverse comments. The rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no relevant adverse comments are received in response to this proposed rule, no further activity is contemplated in relation to this proposed rule. If the EPA receives relevant adverse comments, the EPA will publish a timely withdrawal in the **Federal Register**. All relevant public comments received during the 30-day comment period set forth below will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Comments on this proposed rule must be received in writing by June 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on this action should be addressed to Thomas H. Diggs, Chief, Air Planning Section, at the EPA Region 6 Office listed below. Copies of the documents relevant to this proposed rule are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following locations. Anyone wanting to examine these documents should make an appointment with the appropriate office at least two working days in advance.

Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, Air Planning Section (6PD-L), Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division, 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 700, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733.

Air Quality Division, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, 7290 Bluebonnet Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Eaton R. Weiler, of the EPA Region 6 Air Planning Section at the above address, telephone (214) 665-2174.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: See the information provided in the direct final rule which is published in the Rules and Regulations section of this **Federal Register**.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Hydrocarbons, Incorporation by reference, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Volatile organic compounds.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.

Dated: April 23, 1998.

Lynda F. Carroll,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region 6.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 261

[SW-FRL-6012-3]

Hazardous Waste Management System; Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste; Proposed Exclusion

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The EPA is proposing to grant a petition submitted by Occidental Chemical Corporation (Occidental Chemical), to exclude (or delist) certain solid wastes generated at its Ingleside, Texas, facility from the lists of hazardous wastes contained in 40 CFR 261.24, 261.31, and 261.32, (hereinafter all sectional references are to 40 CFR unless otherwise indicated). This petition was submitted under § 260.20, which allows any person to petition the Administrator to modify or revoke any provision of parts 260 through 266, 268 and 273, and under § 260.22, which specifically provides generators the opportunity to petition the Administrator to exclude a waste on a "generator specific" basis from the hazardous waste lists. This proposed decision is based on an evaluation of waste-specific information provided by the petitioner. If this proposed decision is finalized, the petitioned waste will be excluded from the requirements of hazardous waste regulations under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The EPA is also proposing the use of a fate and transport model to evaluate the potential impact of the petitioned waste on human health and the environment, based on the waste-specific information provided by the petitioner. This model has been used in evaluating the petition to predict the concentration of hazardous constituents that may be released from the petitioned waste, once it is disposed. The EPA is requesting public comments on this proposed decision and on the applicability of the fate and transport model used to evaluate the petition.

DATES: Comments will be accepted until June 25, 1998. Comments postmarked after the close of the comment period will be stamped "late."

Any person may request a hearing on this proposed decision by filing a request with Acting Director, Robert E. Hanneschlager, Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division, whose address appears below, by May 26, 1998. The request must contain the information prescribed in § 260.20(d).

ADDRESSES: Send three copies of your comments. Two copies should be sent to the William Gallagher, Delisting Section, Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division (6PD-O), Environmental Protection Agency EPA, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202. A third copy should be sent to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753. Identify your comments at the top with this regulatory docket number: "F-97-TXDEL-OCCIDENTAL."

Requests for a hearing should be addressed to the Acting Director, Robert E. Hanneschlager, Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division (6PD), Environmental Protection Agency, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202.

The RCRA regulatory docket for this proposed rule is located at the Environmental Protection Agency Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202 and is available for viewing in the EPA Library on the 12th Floor from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays. Call (214) 665-6444 for appointments. The public may copy material from any regulatory docket at no cost for the first 100 pages, and at fifteen cents per page for additional copies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical information concerning this notice, contact Jon Rinehart, Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, TX 75202, (214) 665-6789.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

A. Authority

On January 16, 1981, as part of its final and interim final regulations implementing section 3001 of RCRA, EPA published an amended list of hazardous wastes from non-specific and specific sources. This list has been amended several times, and is published in 261.31 and 261.32. These wastes are listed as hazardous because they typically and frequently exhibit one or more of the characteristics of hazardous wastes identified in subpart C of part 261 (i.e., ignitability, corrosivity, reactivity, and toxicity) or meet the criteria for listing contained in § 261.11(a)(2) or (a)(3).

Individual waste streams may vary however, depending on raw materials, industrial processes, and other factors. Thus, while a waste that is described in these regulations generally is hazardous, a specific waste from an individual facility meeting the listing description