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Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION (PANAMA)

PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION

35 CFR Ch. I

Unified Agenda of Federal Regulations

AGENCY: Panama Canal Commission.

ACTION: Publication of semiannual agenda of regulations.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this agenda is to report the proposed rulemaking activities of the Panama Canal Commission. This information will allow the public to participate in the rulemaking process.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For information about a particular regulatory project, contact the person listed in the subheading "Agency Contact" for that project. For general information, contact Michael Rhode, Jr., Secretary, Panama Canal Commission, 2000 L Street NW., Suite 550, Washington, DC 20036-4996, (202) 634-6441 TDD; or John L. Haines, Jr., Esquire, General Counsel, Panama Canal Commission, Unit 2300, APO AA 34011.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Executive Order 12291 "Federal Regulation" and the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, require that executive agencies publish in the Federal Register a semiannual

notice of regulations which are under development or review or for which action has been completed. The Panama Canal Commission agenda contains certain regulations which are limited in public impact, but they are included to increase public awareness of Commission activities and to allow for increased public participation in the agency's regulatory review and development process. This agenda was prepared pursuant to guidelines established by the Office of Management and Budget.

Dated: February 24, 1992.

Michael Rhode, Jr.,

Secretary, Panama Canal Commission.

PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION (PANAMA)

Prerule Stage

3634. RULES FOR MEASUREMENT OF VESSELS

Significance: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: PL 96-70, Sec 1601

CFR Citation: 35 CFR 135

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: In July 1982, 48 nations, representing more than 80 percent of world shipping, began implementing a new uniform method for tonnage determination in accordance with the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969. Final implementation is scheduled for July 1994. The present Panama Canal measurement system is based upon the old national tonnage measurement system. The Panama Canal Commission is currently studying the possibility of adapting its tonnage measurement system to one which is compatible with the 1969 Convention. This would eliminate the need for vessels to be measured twice, once under the new system and again under the old system for Panama Canal assessment purposes. While no timetable for rulemaking has

been established, tentative plans are to target any possible change to the Panama Canal measurement rules to the July 1994 final implementation of the 1969 Convention.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 3207-AA23

3635. ● TOLLS FOR USE OF THE PANAMA CANAL

Significance: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: PL 96-70, sec 1601

CFR Citation: 35 CFR 133 (Revision)

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Due to operating cost increases, including inflation, since the last toll rate increase (October 1990), the Panama Canal Commission is currently considering increasing the rates of tolls charged vessels transiting the Canal. An increase will be proposed effective in FY 1993 to achieve the Commission's regulatory requirement to recover from users all costs of operating and maintaining the waterway.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: Federal

Agency Contact: Michael Rhode, Jr., Secretary, Panama Canal Commission, 2000 L Street NW., Suite 550, Washington, DC 20036-4996, 202 634-6441

RIN: 3207-AA32

PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION (PANAMA)

Proposed Rule Stage

3636. PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION ACQUISITION REGULATION

Significance: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 40 USC 486(c)

CFR Citation: 48 CFR 35

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The proposed rule will update the Panama Canal Commission Acquisition Regulations to conform to changes in the Federal Acquisition

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Proposed Rule Stage

Regulations and to incorporate minor changes to internal operating procedures.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/00/92	
NPRM Comment Period End	06/00/92	
Interim Final Rule	07/00/92	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

Sectors Affected: None

Procurement: This is a procurement-related action for which there is no statutory requirement. There is a paperwork burden associated with this action.

Additional Information: Phone number for James N. Doyle in Panama, Republic of Panama, is (507)52-7511.

Agency Contact: James N. Doyle, Assistant Procurement Executive, Panama Canal Commission, Unit 2300, APO AA 34011, 202 634-6441

RIN: 3207-AA30

PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION (PANAMA)

Final Rule Stage

3637. DANGEROUS CARGOES RADIO COMMUNICATION

Significance: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 22 USC 3811; EO 12215

CFR Citation: 35 CFR 101, 35 CFR 103; 35 CFR 105; 35 CFR 107; 35 CFR 109; 35 CFR 111; 35 CFR 113; 35 CFR 115; 35 CFR 117; 35 CFR 119; 35 CFR 121; 35 CFR 123

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Panama Canal Commission is proposing to make minor technical changes and clarifications, including additional definitions of terms and changes of format.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: Federal

Agency Contact: Capt. George T. Hull, Marine Director, Panama Canal Commission, Marine Bureau, Unit 2300, APO AA 34011, 202 634-6441

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PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION (PANAMA)

Completed Actions

3638. CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

Significance: Agency Priority

CFR Citation: 35 CFR 60 (Revision)

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	11/26/91	56 FR 59881
Final Action Effective	11/26/91	56 FR 59881

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: Carolyn H. Twohy, 202 634-6441

RIN: 3207-AA29

3639. BOARDING OF ARRIVING VESSELS

CFR Citation: 35 CFR 101.2(b)

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	10/29/91	56 FR 55631
Final Action Effective	10/29/91	56 FR 55631

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: Capt. George T. Hull, 202 634-6441

RIN: 3207-AA31

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