

would be adequate to cover all budgeted expenditures for the 2019–2020 fiscal period and allow it to make a small contribution to its financial reserve. Reserve funds would be kept within the amount authorized in the Order.

A review of historical information and preliminary information pertaining to the upcoming fiscal period indicates that the average grower price for the 2019–2020 season should be approximately \$800–\$1,600 per ton of Washington apricots. Therefore, the estimated assessment revenue for the 2019–2020 marketing year as a percentage of total grower revenue would be between 0.18 and 0.36 percent.

This proposed action would increase the assessment obligation imposed on handlers. While assessments impose some additional costs on handlers, the costs are minimal and uniform on all handlers. Some of the additional costs may be passed on to growers. However, these costs would be offset by the benefits derived by the operation of the Order.

The Committee's meetings are widely publicized throughout the Washington apricot industry. All interested persons were invited to attend the meeting and participate in Committee deliberations on all issues. Like all Committee meetings, the May 8, 2019, meeting was a public meeting and all entities, both large and small, were able to express views on this issue. In addition, interested persons are invited to submit comments on this proposed rule, including the regulatory and information collection impacts of this action on small businesses.

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Order's information collection requirements have been previously approved by the OMB and assigned OMB No. 0581–0178, Specialty Crops. No changes in those requirements would be necessary because of this action. Should any changes become necessary, they would be submitted to OMB for approval.

This proposed rule would not impose any additional reporting or recordkeeping requirements on either small or large Washington apricot handlers. As with all Federal marketing order programs, reports and forms are periodically reviewed to reduce information requirements and duplication by industry and public sector agencies.

AMS is committed to complying with the E-Government Act, to promote the use of the internet and other information technologies to provide increased opportunities for citizen

access to Government information and services, and for other purposes.

USDA has not identified any relevant Federal rules that duplicate, overlap, or conflict with this proposed rule.

A small business guide on complying with fruit, vegetable, and specialty crop marketing agreements and orders may be viewed at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/rules-regulations/moa/small-businesses>. Any questions about the compliance guide should be sent to Richard Lower at the previously mentioned address in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

#### List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 922

Apricots, Marketing agreements, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, 7 CFR part 922 is proposed to be amended as follows:

#### **PART 922—MARKETING ORDER REGULATING THE HANDLING OF APRICOTS GROWN IN DESIGNATED COUNTIES IN WASHINGTON**

■ 1. The authority citation for part 922 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 601–674.

■ 2. Section 922.235 is revised to read as follows:

##### **§ 922.235 Assessment rate.**

On and after April 1, 2019, an assessment rate of \$2.86 per ton is established for Washington apricots handled in the production area.

Dated: September 23, 2019.

**Bruce Summers,**

*Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### **10 CFR Part 431**

**[EERE–2018–BT–STD–0003]**

#### **Appliance Standards and Rulemaking Federal Advisory Committee: Notice of Open Teleconference/Webinar for the Variable Refrigerant Flow Multi-Split Air Conditioners and Heat Pumps Working Group To Negotiate a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for Test Procedures and Energy Conservation Standards**

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; open teleconference/webinar.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE or the Department) announces a webinar for the variable refrigerant flow multi-split air conditioners and heat pumps (VRF multi-split systems) working group. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) requires that agencies publish notice of an advisory committee meeting in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Tuesday, October 1, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (EDT).

**ADDRESSES:** Webinar only. Please see the Public Participation section of this notice for additional information on webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. John Cymbalsky, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Building Technologies (EE–5B), 950 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20024. Telephone: (202) 287–1692. Email: [ASRAC@ee.doe.gov](mailto:ASRAC@ee.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On January 10, 2018, the Appliance Standards and Rulemaking Federal Advisory Committee (ASRAC) met and passed the recommendation to form a VRF multi-split systems working group to meet and discuss and, if possible, reach a consensus on proposed Federal test procedures and energy conservation standards for VRF multi-split systems. On April 11, 2018, DOE published a notice of intent to establish a working group for VRF multi-split systems to negotiate a notice of proposed rulemaking for test procedures and energy conservation standards. The notice also solicited nominations for membership to the working group. 83 FR 15514.

On August 22, 2019, DOE published a notice announcing public meetings for the VRF working group. 84 FR 43731. This notice adds an October 1, 2019 webinar to the list of public meetings for the VRF working group.

DOE will host a webinar on October 1, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (EDT).

The purpose of this meeting will be to negotiate in an attempt to reach consensus on proposed Federal test procedures and energy conservation standards for VRF multi-split systems.

#### **Public Participation**

##### *Attendance at Webinar*

The time and date of the webinar is listed in the **DATES** section of this document. If you plan to attend the public meeting, please notify the ASRAC staff at [asrac@ee.doe.gov](mailto:asrac@ee.doe.gov).

Please note that foreign nationals participating in the webinar are subject to advance security screening procedures which require advance notice prior to attendance at the public meeting. If a foreign national wishes to participate in the webinar, please inform DOE as soon as possible by contacting Ms. Regina Washington at (202) 586-1214 or by email: [Regina.Washington@ee.doe.gov](mailto:Regina.Washington@ee.doe.gov) so that the necessary procedures can be completed.

Webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants will be published on DOE's website: <https://energy.gov/eere/buildings/appliance-standards-and-rulemaking-federal-advisory-committee>. Participants are responsible for ensuring their systems are compatible with the webinar software.

#### *Procedure for Submitting Prepared General Statements for Distribution*

Any person who has plans to present a prepared general statement may request that copies of his or her statement be made available at the public meeting. Such persons may submit requests, along with an advance electronic copy of their statement in PDF (preferred), Microsoft Word or Excel, WordPerfect, or text (ASCII) file format, to the appropriate address shown in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice. The request and advance copy of statements must be received at least one week before the public meeting and may be emailed, hand-delivered, or sent by postal mail. DOE prefers to receive requests and advance copies via email. Please include a telephone number to enable DOE staff to make a follow-up contact, if needed.

#### *Conduct of the Public Meetings*

ASRAC's Designated Federal Officer will preside at the public meetings and may also use a professional facilitator to aid discussion. The meetings will not be judicial or evidentiary-type public hearings, but DOE will conduct them in accordance with section 336 of EPCA (42 U.S.C. 6306). A court reporter will be present to record the proceedings and prepare a transcript. A transcript of each public meeting will be included on DOE's website: <https://energy.gov/eere/buildings/appliance-standards-and-rulemaking-federal-advisory-committee>. In addition, any person may buy a copy of each transcript from the transcribing reporter. Public comment and statements will be allowed prior to the close of each meeting.

#### *Docket*

The docket is available for review at: <https://www.regulations.gov/docket?D=EERE-2018-BT-STD-0003>, including **Federal Register** notices, public meeting attendee lists and transcripts, comments, and other supporting documents/materials. All documents in the docket are listed in the <http://www.regulations.gov> index. However, not all documents listed in the index may be publically available, such as information that is exempt from public disclosure.

Signed in Washington, DC, on September 25, 2019.

**Alexander N. Fitzsimmons,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy Efficiency, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.*

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## **FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION**

### **12 CFR Part 390**

**RIN 3064-AF13**

#### **Removal of Transferred OTS Regulations Regarding Regulatory Reporting Requirements, Regulatory Reports and Audits of State Savings Associations**

**AGENCY:** Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice of proposed rulemaking (proposal or proposed rule), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) proposes to rescind and remove from the Code of Federal Regulations 12 CFR part 390, subpart R, entitled *Regulatory Reporting Standards* (part 390, subpart R).

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before November 1, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- **FDIC website:** <https://www.fdic.gov/regulations/laws/federal/>. Follow instructions for submitting comments on the agency website.

- **Email:** [Comments@fdic.gov](mailto:Comments@fdic.gov). Include RIN 3064-AF13 on the subject line of the message.

- **Mail:** Robert E. Feldman, Executive Secretary, Attention: Comments, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20429.

- **Hand Delivery to FDIC:** Comments may be hand-delivered to the guard station at the rear of the 550 17th Street building (located on F Street) on business days between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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

Please include your name, affiliation, address, email address, and telephone number(s) in your comment. All statements received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and are subject to public disclosure. You should submit only information that you wish to make publicly available.

*Please note:* All comments received will be posted generally without change to <https://www.fdic.gov/regulations/laws/federal/>, including any personal information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christine M. Bouvier, Assistant Chief Accountant, (202) 898-7289, [CBouvier@FDIC.gov](mailto:CBouvier@FDIC.gov), Division of Risk Management Supervision; Karen J. Currie, Senior Examination Specialist, (202) 898-3981, Division of Risk Management Supervision; David M. Miles, Counsel, Legal Division, (202) 898-3651.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. Policy Objectives**

The policy objectives of the proposed rule are twofold. The first is to simplify the FDIC's regulations by removing unnecessary ones and thereby improving ease of reference and public understanding. The second is to promote parity between State savings associations and State nonmember banks by having the regulatory reporting requirements, regulatory reports and audits of both classes of institutions addressed in the same FDIC rules.

##### **II. Background**

###### *A. The Dodd-Frank Act*

The Dodd-Frank Act, signed into law on July 21, 2010, provided for a substantial reorganization of the regulation of State and Federal savings associations and their holding companies.<sup>1</sup> Beginning July 21, 2011, the transfer date established by section 311 of the Dodd-Frank Act,<sup>2</sup> the powers, duties, and functions formerly performed by the OTS were divided among the FDIC, as to State savings associations, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), as to Federal savings associations, and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRB), as to savings and loan holding companies. Section 316(b) of the Dodd-Frank Act<sup>3</sup> provides the manner of treatment for all orders,

<sup>1</sup> Pub. L. 111-203, 124 Stat. 1376 (2010).

<sup>2</sup> Codified at 12 U.S.C. 5411.

<sup>3</sup> Codified at 12 U.S.C. 5414(b).