[FRL-5406-7]

40 CFR Part 300

National Oil and Hazardous Substances Contingency Plan: National Priorities List Update

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Deletion of the Ossineke Groundwater Contamination Superfund Site from the National Priorities List (NPL).

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announces the deletion of the Ossineke Groundwater Contamination site in Michigan from the National Priorities List (NPL). The NPL is Appendix B of 40 CFR part 300 which is the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Contingency Plan (NCP), which EPA promulgated pursuant to Section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), as amended. EPA and the State of Michigan have determined that all appropriate Fundfinanced responses under CERCLA have been implemented and that no further response by responsible parties under CERCLA is appropriate. The site is being addressed under the Subtitle I provisions of RCRA.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 31, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rita Garner-Davis at (312) 886-2440, Associate Remedial Project Manager, Office of Superfund, U.S. EPA—Region V, 77 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60604. Information on the site is available at: EPA Region V docket room at the above address and at the Alpenda Bank; 11686 U.S. Highway 23 south; Ossineke, MI 49766.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The site to be deleted from the NPL is the Ossineke

Groundwater Contamination Site in Ossineke, Michigan. A Notice of Intent to Delete was published August 11, 1995 (60 FR 41051) for this site. The closing date for comments on the Notice of Intent to Delete was September 11, 1995. EPA received no comments.

The EPA identifies sites which appear to present a significant risk to public health, welfare, or the environment and it maintains the NPL as the list of those sites. Sites on the NPL may be the subject of Hazardous Substance Response Trust Fund (Fund-) financed remedial actions. Any site deleted from the NPL remains eligible for Fundfinanced remedial actions in the unlikely event that conditions at the site warrant such action. Section 300.425(e)(3) of the NCP states that Fund-financed actions may be taken at sites deleted from the NPL in the unlikely event that conditions at the site warrant such action. Deletion of a site from the NPL does not affect responsible party liability or impede Agency efforts to recover costs associated with response efforts.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 300

Environmental protection, Hazardous Waste, Chemicals, Hazardous substances, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Superfund, Water pollution control, Water supply.

PART 300—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 300 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1321(c)(2); 42 U.S.C. 9601–9657; E.O. 12777, 56 FR 54757, 3 CFR, 1991 Comp., p. 351; E.O. 12580, 52 FR 2923, 3 CFR, 1987 Comp., p. 193.

Appendix B—[Amended]

2. Table 1 of appendix B to part 300 is amended by removing the Ossineke

Ground Water Contamination, Ossineke, Michigan.

Dated: December 19, 1995.

David Ullrich,

Acting Regional Administrator U.S. EPA,

Region V.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

49 CFR Part 1

[OST Docket No. 1; Amdt. 1-276]

Organization and Delegation of Powers and Duties Delegation to the **Commandant, United States Coast** Guard

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Transportation is delegating to the Commandant, United States Coast Guard, the authority contained in 46 U.S.C. Chapter 47, abandonment of barges, and § 12301(b), numbering of undocumented barges. In order that the Code of Federal Regulations reflect these delegations, a change is necessary.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 31, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LT Chris Hayes, Office of Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection (G-MRO-3), (202) 267-2614, U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593; or Steven B. Farbman, Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Regulation and Enforcement, C-50, (202) 366-9307, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public Law 102–587 is The Oceans Act of 1992. Subtitle C of Title V of The Oceans Act of 1992, titled the Abandoned Barge Act of 1992, (hereinafter referred to as the Act), amended 46, U.S. Code, to prohibit abandonment of barges, to provide a civil penalty for abandonment, to authorize removal, and to require the numbering of barges. The Secretary of Transportation is delegating his authority under the Act to the Commandant of the Coast Guard.

The Act prohibits an owner or operator of a barge over 100 gross tons from abandoning it on the navigable waters of the United States. The Act authorizes the Secretary to assess a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per day of abandonment. If the barge owner or operator cannot be identified or refuses to remove the barge, the Secretary may contract for removal of the barge at the expense of the owner or operator. To help identify barge owners, the Secretary is required to ensure the numbering of all undocumented barges over 100 gross tons.

This rule adds a specific delegation of authority to 49 CFR § 1.46, thus amending the codification to reflect the Secretarial delegation of authority to the Commandant of the Coast Guard.

Since this amendment relates to departmental management, organization, procedure, and practice, notice and comment on it are unnecessary and it may be made effective in fewer than 30 days after publication in the Federal Register. Therefore, this final rule is effective upon publication in the Federal Register.

List of Subjects in 49 CFR Part 1

Authority delegations (Government agencies), Organization and functions (Government agencies).

In consideration of the foregoing, Part 1 of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, is amended as follows:

PART 1—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 1 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 322; Pub. L. 101–552, 28 U.S.C. 2672, 31 U.S.C. 3711(a)(2).

2. Section 1.46 is amended by adding a new paragraph (zz) to read as follows:

§ 1.46 Delegations to Commandant of the Coast Guard.

(zz) Carry out the functions and exercise the authority vested in the Secretary by 46 U.S. Code Chapter 47 (abandonment of barges) and § 12301(b)

(numbering of undocumented barges), as enacted by the Oceans Act of 1992, Title V, section 5301 *et seq.*, Pub. L. No. 102–587, 106 Stat. 5081. This authority may be redelegated.

Issued at Washington, DC this 23rd day of January, 1996.

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Secretary of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 672

[Docket No. 951120272-5272-01; I.D. 012696A]

Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 61

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

ACTION: Closure.

SUMMARY: NMFS is prohibiting directed fishing for pollock in Statistical Area 61 in the Gulf of Alaska (GOA). This action is necessary to prevent exceeding the interim specification for pollock in this area.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 12 noon, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), January 28, 1996, until superseded by the final 1996 specifications.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mary Furuness, 907-586-7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The groundfish fishery in the GOA exclusive economic zone is managed by NMFS according to the Fishery Management