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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### 30 CFR Part 211

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### Meeting on Proposed Rule To Establish Liability for Royalty Due on Federal and Indian Leases and To Establish Responsibility To Pay and Report Royalty and Other Payments

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Minerals Management Service (MMS) will hold a public meeting in Houston, Texas, to discuss a proposed rulemaking regarding the liability for payments due on Federal and Indian leases and the responsibility to pay and report royalty and other payments. The proposal was published in the Federal Register on June 9, 1995, (60 FR 30492). That notice proposes to establish and clarify which persons may be held liable for unpaid or underpaid royalties, compensatory royalties, or other payments on Federal and Indian mineral leases. The proposed rule also would establish who is required to report and pay royalties on production from leases not in approved Federal or Indian agreements or leases in approved Federal or Indian agreements containing 100 percent Federal or Indian tribal leases with the same lessor, the same royalty rate, and the same royalty distribution. MMS has extended the comment period for this rule to January 8, 1996 (60 FR 38533, July 27, 1995, and 60 FR 45112, August 30, 1995). The purpose of the meeting is to allow all interested parties to discuss the proposed rulemaking. Interested parties are invited to attend and participate at this meeting.

**DATES:** A public meeting will be held on Wednesday November 29, and if necessary Thursday, November 30, 1995, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in Room 104, first floor, at the Houston Compliance Division Office, Minerals Management Service, 4141 North Sam Houston Parkway East, Houston, Texas 77032.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David S. Guzy, Chief, Rules and

Procedures Staff, Minerals Management Service, Royalty Management Program, P.O. Box 25165, MS 3101, Denver, Colorado 80225-0165, telephone (303) 231-3432, fax number (303) 231-3194, e-Mail David\_Guzy@smtp.mms.gov. Contact Betty Casey at the Houston Compliance Division Office at telephone (713) 987-6802, fax (713) 987-6804. Please contact her prior to November 22 if you will be attending this meeting.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting will be open to the public without advance registration. Public attendance may be limited to the space available. Members of the public may make statements during the meeting, to the extent time permits, and are encouraged to file written statements for consideration.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 51

#### [FRL-5313-7]

### Inspection/Maintenance Ozone Transport Region Flexibility Amendments

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** This document proposes revisions to the motor vehicle Inspection/Maintenance (I/M) requirements by adding a special low enhanced performance standard for qualified areas in Ozone Transport Regions (OTR). EPA announced its intent to amend certain aspects of the I/M Program Requirements in December 1994 and held stakeholders' meetings on January 24, 1995 and January 31, 1995. A public hearing was held on May 17, 1995. Many of the comments received during that rulemaking came from OTR stakeholders who were concerned that the proposed changes did not address metropolitan areas in the OTR that were attainment, marginal, or moderate areas. Today's supplemental action proposes to create an additional performance standard which would apply to attainment, marginal and moderate areas in the OTR. The fundamental goal is to allow those OTR qualifying areas the flexibility to implement a broader range

of I/M programs than is currently permitted.

**DATES:** Written comments on this proposal must be received no later than November 22, 1995. No public hearing will be held unless a request is received in writing by October 30, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties may submit written comments (in duplicate if possible) to Public Docket No. A-95-08. It is requested that a duplicate copy be submitted to Eugene J. Tierney at the address in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below. The docket is located at the Air Docket, Room M-1500 (6102), Waterside Mall S.W., Washington, DC 20460. The docket may be inspected between 8:30 a.m. and 12 noon and between 1:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. on weekdays. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying docket material.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eugene J. Tierney, Office of Mobile Sources, National Vehicle and Fuel Emissions Laboratory, 2565 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48105. Telephone (313) 668-4456.

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#### II. Summary of Proposal

Under the Clean Air Act as amended in 1990 (the Act), 42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published in the Federal Register on November 5, 1992 (40 CFR part 51, subpart S) rules related to plans for Motor Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance (I/M) programs (hereafter referred to as the I/M rule; see 57 FR 52950). EPA is proposing today to further revise this rule to provide greater flexibility to certain Ozone Transport Region (OTR) areas.

Section 182 of the Act is prescriptive regarding the various elements that are required as part of an enhanced I/M performance standard. It also provides states with flexibility in meeting the numerical performance standards for enhanced or basic I/M programs. States in the OTR have requested additional flexibility in implementing I/M in areas