

§ 4.7a Inward manifest; information required; alternative forms.

- (c) *Cargo Declaration* . . .
- (2) . . .

(iii) All bills of lading, whether issued by a carrier, freight forwarder, or other issuer, shall contain a unique identifier consisting of up to 16 characters in length. The unique bill of lading number will be comprised of two elements. The first element will be the first four characters consisting of the carrier or issuer's four digit Standard Carrier Alpha Code (SCAC) assigned to that carrier in the National Motor Freight Traffic Association, Inc., Directory of Standard Multi-Modal Carrier and Tariff Agent Codes, applicable supplements thereto and reissues thereof. The second element may be up to 12 characters in length and may be either alpha and/or numeric.

When alpha and numeric characters are used, the alpha characters must be grouped in the first or last positions of the identifier and not commingled with numeric characters. The unique identifier shall not be used by the carrier, freight forwarder or issuer for another bill of lading for a period of 3 years after issuance.

PART 178—APPROVAL OF INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS

1. The authority citation for Part 178 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301; 19 U.S.C. 66, 1624; 46 U.S.C. 3, 91, 2103.

2. Section 178.2 is amended by inserting, in numerical order, the following entry:

§ 178.2 Listing of OMB control numbers.

19 CFR section	Description	OMB control No.
4.7a.....	Unique bill of lading identifier for inward manifests.	1515-0142

Michael H. Lane,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.

Approved: October 19, 1988.

Salvatore R. Martoche,

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Minerals Management Service**

30 CFR Part 218

Payments by Electronic Funds Transfer

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Minerals Management Service (MMS) is amending its regulations at 30 CFR Part 218 to reflect a change in references to the electronic communications system used by the United States Department of the Treasury (Treasury) to process electronic funds transfers. The "Treasury Financial Communication System" (TFCS) was replaced by the Treasury with the "Financial Management Service Fedwire Deposit System (FDS). This final rule amendment replaces the references to the TFCS with references to the new FDS.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 26, 1988.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dennis C. Whitcomb, Chief, Rules and Procedures Branch, Minerals Management Service, P.O. Box 25165, MS-662, Building 85, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225, telephone: (303) 231-3432, FTS 326-3432.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Discussion of Amendments

Part 218 of 30 CFR contains MMS regulations governing the collection of royalties, rentals, bonuses, and other monies due the Federal Government. The regulations require that royalty payments in excess of \$10,000 and deferred bonus payments from successful bidders in competitive Outer Continental Shelf lease sales be made by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) using the Federal Reserve Communication link to the TFCS. The EFT requirement accelerates the collection and deposit processing of payments received by MMS and allows the Government to have immediate use of the funds.

Paragraphs 218.51(a)(1) and 218.155(c) of the regulations include a reference to the Treasury's TFCS. Because the Treasury has replaced the TFCS with a new electronic communications system, the FDS, MMS is amending its regulations to reference the name of the new system.

II. Procedural Matters

Administrative Procedure Act

The changes included in this rulemaking are technical corrections only and not substantive changes. Accordingly, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b), it has been determined that it is unnecessary to issue proposed regulations before the issuance of this final regulation. For the same reason, it has been determined that in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(d), there is good cause to make this regulation effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Executive Order 12291

The Department of the Interior (Department) has hereby determined that this document is not a major rule and does not require a regulatory analysis under Executive Order 12291. This final rulemaking is to reflect a change in references as the result of the implementation of a new electronic communications system by the Treasury.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Because this rulemaking is for technical correction of existing regulations, there are no significant additional requirements or burdens placed upon small business entities as a result of implementation of this rule. Therefore, the Department has determined that this rulemaking will not have a significant economic effect on a substantial number of small entities and does not require a regulatory flexibility analysis under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.).

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980

This rule does not contain information collection requirements which require approval by the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.

National Environmental Policy Act of 1969

It is hereby determined that this rulemaking does not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and a detailed statement pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 [42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(c)] is not required.

List of Subjects in 30 CFR Part 218

Coal, Continental shelf, Geothermal energy, Government contracts, Indian lands, Mineral royalties, Natural gas, Petroleum, Public lands-mineral

resources, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Date: October 14, 1988.
 Thomas M. Gerbofer,
 Acting Director, Minerals Management Service.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, 30 CFR Part 218 is amended as follows:

TITLE 30—MINERAL RESOURCES

PART 218—COLLECTION OF ROYALTIES, RENTALS, BONUSES AND OTHER MONIES DUE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

1. The authority citation for Part 218 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 25 U.S.C. 396 et seq.; 25 U.S.C. 396a et seq.; 25 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.; 30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.; 30 U.S.C. 351 et seq.; 30 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.; 30 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 43 U.S.C. 1301 et seq.; 43 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.; and 43 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

2. Paragraph (a)(1) of § 218.51 under Subpart B is amended by changing the words "Treasury Financial Communications System (TFCS)" in the first sentence to "Financial Management Service Fedwire Deposit System (FDS)." The revised first sentence reads as follows:

§ 218.51 Method of payment.

(a) *Payment of royalties.* (1) All payors whose aggregate royalty payment obligation to MMS on the payment due date totals \$10,000 or more must make royalty payment by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) using the Federal Reserve Communications System (FRCS) link to the Financial Management Service Fedwire Deposit System (FDS), unless otherwise directed by MMS. * * *

3. Paragraph (c) of § 218.155 under Subpart D is amended by changing the acronym "TFCS" in the sixth sentence to "FDS." The revised sentence reads as follows:

§ 218.155 Method of payment.

(c) * * * Payors will not be held responsible for late payment due to actions beyond their control, such as mechanical or systems failure of FRCS or FDS. * * *

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

32 CFR Parts 351b and 351c

(DoD Directives 5129.3 and 5129.4)

Disestablishment of Positions; Assistant Secretary of Defense; Research and Technology; Development and Support

AGENCY: Department of Defense.
ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The positions of Assistant Secretary of Defense (Research and Technology) and Assistant Secretary of Defense (Development and Support) have been disestablished therefore, 32 CFR Parts 351b and 351c are no longer necessary.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 1988.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Linda M. Bynum, Correspondence and Directives Directorate, Washington Headquarters Services, Washington, DC 20301, telephone (202) 697-4111.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

List of Subjects.

32 CFR Part 351b

Organization and functions (Government agencies), Research and technology.

32 CFR Part 351c

Organization and functions (Government agencies), Development and support.

PARTS 351b AND 351c—(REMOVED)

Accordingly, Title 32, Chapter I is amended by removing Parts 351b and 351c.

October 21, 1988.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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POSTAL SERVICE

39 CFR Part 111

Supplements and Enclosures in Second-Class Publications

AGENCY: Postal Service.
ACTION: Final rule; delay of effective date.

SUMMARY: At the request of publishers, the Postal Service has decided to delay the effective date of the final rule on

supplements and enclosures in second-class mail.

DATES: This document is effective October 26, 1988. The effective date of the September 15, 1988 (53 FR 35813) is delayed to March 19, 1989.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kenneth H. Young, (202) 268-5321.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 15, 1988, the Postal Service published a final rule entitled "Supplements and Enclosures in Second-Class Publications" (53 FR 35813-20) with an effective date of December 18, 1988. Since publication of the final rule, the Postal Service has received a number of requests from publisher and publishers' associations to delay the rule's effective date. The requesters expressed concern regarding their ability to comply with the new regulations for a variety of reasons, including the upcoming Christmas mailing season, substantial commitments for supplement material that many publishers believed they could enclose with a second-class publication until after the end of 1988, and the fact that supplemental material has been ordered, purchased, and in a number of cases, already delivered for mailings in early 1989. Without a delay of the effective date, the requesters stated that they would experience severe and unrecoverable financial losses.

Based upon these requests, the Postal Service has decided to delay the effective date of the final rule until March 19, 1989. Although the requests for a delay of the effective date centered around two new requirements for mailing loose supplements with bound publications, namely the requirement to endorse them "Supplement to" followed by the name of the publications or the name of the publisher, and the requirement that the supplement contain at least 25% nonadvertising matter, the Postal Service has decided to delay the effective date of the entire final rule. The implementation of all parts of the final rule, with its interrelated changes, on the effective date of the next quarterly issuance of the Domestic Mail Manual will simplify implementation of the final rule and avoid the confusion for Postal Service employees and customers which, experience has shown, would otherwise surely result.

A transmittal letter making these changes in the pages of the Domestic Mail Manual will be published and transmitted to subscribers automatically. Notice of issuance of the transmittal letter will be published in