

(NCP). The EPA and the State of Utah, through the Utah Department of Environmental Quality (UDEQ), have determined that all appropriate response actions under CERCLA have been completed at the Site. However, this deletion does not preclude future actions under Superfund if determined necessary by EPA.

In the "Rules and Regulations" section of today's **Federal Register**, EPA is publishing a Direct Final Notice of Deletion of the Petrochem Recycling Corp./Ekotek, Inc., Superfund Site without prior notice of intent to delete because EPA views this as a non-controversial action. EPA has explained its reasons for this deletion in the preamble to the Direct Final Notice of Deletion. If EPA receives no significant adverse comment(s) on the Direct Final Notice of Deletion, EPA will not take further action on this Notice of Intent to Delete and deletion of the Site will proceed. If EPA receives significant adverse comment(s), EPA will withdraw the Direct Final Notice of Deletion and it will not take effect. EPA will, as appropriate, address all public comments in a subsequent final deletion notice based on this Notice of Intent to Delete. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this Notice of Intent to Delete. Any parties interested in commenting must do so within the time frame noted below. For additional information, see the Direct Final Notice of Deletion, located in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register**.

DATES: Comments concerning this Site must be received by June 23, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to: Armando Saenz, Remedial Project Manager (RPM), Mail Code: 8EPR-SR, U.S. EPA Region 8, 999 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado, 80202-2466.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Armando Saenz, 303-312-6559, Remedial Project Manager (RPM), Mail Code: 8EPR-SR, U.S. EPA Region 8, 999 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, Colorado, 80202-2466.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information, see the Direct Final Notice of Deletion published in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register**.

Information Repository

A repository at the following address has been established to provide detailed information concerning this decision and all documents forming the basis for the response actions taken at this Site as well as documentation of the completion of those actions: U.S. EPA

Region 8 Superfund Records Center, 999 18th Street, Fifth Floor, Denver, Colorado 80202-2466, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 300

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Chemicals, Hazardous waste, Hazardous substances, Intergovernmental relations, Penalties, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Superfund, Water pollution, Water supply.

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.

Dated: May 2, 2003.

Robert E. Roberts,

Regional Administrator, Region 8.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

43 CFR Part 4

RIN 1090-AA84

General Rules Relating to Procedures and Practice; Special Rules Applicable to Public Land Hearings and Appeals

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA) is proposing to revise its existing regulations governing petitions for stays and requests to put bureau decisions into immediate effect. The revisions would specifically authorize OHA administrative law judges to decide such petitions and requests, which arise most frequently in the context of appeals from grazing decisions that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) issues. This change would expedite the administrative review process by eliminating an inefficient division of authority. The revisions would also improve the format and clarity of the regulations.

DATES: You should submit your comments by July 21, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of the Interior, 801 N. Quincy Street, Suite 300, Arlington, VA 22203.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Will A. Irwin, Administrative Judge, Interior Board of Land Appeals, U. S. Department of the Interior, 801 N. Quincy Street, Suite 300, Arlington, VA 22203, Phone: 703-235-3750. Persons

who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at (800) 877-8339, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. *Public Comment Procedures*

II. *Background*

III. *Review Under Procedural Statutes and Executive Orders*

I. Public Comment Procedures

A. How Do I Comment on the Proposed Rule?

You may submit your comments by mailing or delivering them to Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of the Interior, 801 N. Quincy Street, Suite 300, Arlington, VA 22203, Attn: RIN 1090-AA84.

Please make your comments on the proposed rule as specific as possible, confine them to issues pertinent to the proposed rule, and explain the reason for any changes you recommend. Where possible, your comments should refer to the specific section or paragraph of the proposal that you are addressing.

The Department of the Interior will not necessarily consider or include in the Administrative Record for the final rule comments that we receive after the close of the comment period (*see DATES*) or comments delivered to an address other than that listed above (*see ADDRESSES*).

B. How Do I Review Comments Submitted by Others?

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address listed under **ADDRESSES** during regular business hours (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Individual respondents may request confidentiality, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. If you wish to withhold your name or address, except for the city or town, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

II. Background

The existing regulations governing hearings and appeals of BLM grazing decisions allocate responsibility for deciding petitions for a stay of such decisions to the Interior Board of Land Appeals (IBLA) and the Director, OHA. Responsibility for conducting the hearing, ruling on other motions, and