

requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

#### List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 204

Government procurement.

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Therefore, DoD proposes to amend 48 CFR Part 204 and Appendix G to Chapter 2 as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Part 204 and Appendix G to subchapter I continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.

#### PART 204—ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

2. Section 204.7000 is revised to read as follows:

##### 204.7000 Scope.

This subpart—

(a) Prescribes policies and procedures for assigning numbers to all solicitations, contracts, and related instruments; and

(b) Does not apply to communication service authorizations issued by the Defense Information Technology Contracting Organization of the Defense Information Systems Agency in accordance with 239.7407–2.

3. Section 204.7003 is amended by revising paragraph (a)(1) to read as follows:

##### 204.7003 Basic PII number.

(a) \* \* \*

(1) *Positions 1 through 6.* The first six positions identify the department/agency and office issuing the instrument. Use the DoD Activity Address Code (DoDAAC) assigned to the issuing office. DoDAACs can be found at <https://day2k1.daas.dla.mil/dodaac/dodaac.asp>.

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4. Section 204.7004 is amended in paragraph (d)(2)(i) by revising the second sentence to read as follows:

##### 204.7004 Supplementary PII numbers.

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(d) \* \* \*

(2) \* \* \*

(i) \* \* \* The first and second positions contain the call/order code assigned to the ordering office in accordance with 204.7005. \* \* \*

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5. Section 204.7005 is added to read as follows:

##### 204.7005 Assignment of order codes.

(a) The Defense Logistics Agency, Acquisition Operations Team, Fort

Belvoir, VA 22060–6221, is the executive agent for maintenance of code assignments for use in the first two positions of an order number when an activity places an order against another activity's contract or agreement (see 204.7004(d)(2)). The executive agent distributes blocks of two-character order codes to department/agency monitors for further assignment.

(b) Contracting activities submit requests for assignment of or changes in two-character order codes to their respective monitors in accordance with department/agency procedures. Order code monitors—

(1) Approve requests for additions, deletions, or changes; and

(2) Provide notification of additions, deletions, or changes to—

(i) The executive agent; and

(ii) The executive editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations System, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DAR), 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062.

(c) Order code monitors are—

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(d) Order code assignments can be found at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap>.

#### Appendix G to Chapter 2—[Removed and Reserved]

6. Appendix G to Chapter 2 is removed and reserved.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Research and Special Programs Administration

#### 49 CFR Parts 171, 172, and 173

[RSPA–03–15327 (Docket No. HM–206B)]

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### Hazardous Materials: Changes to the Hazard Communication Requirements, Including Revision of Design of Labels and Placards for Materials Poisonous by Inhalation (PIH)

**AGENCY:** Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** RSPA is proposing changes to the hazard communication requirements of the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR), including revisions of the specifications for labels and placards, based on petitions for rulemaking, requests for clarification, and our own belief that clarifications and improvements in the HMR may be appropriate. The effect of the proposed regulatory changes would be to improve safety of emergency responders and the public, and of offerors and transporters of hazardous materials.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before August 11, 2003. To the extent possible, we will accept late-filed comments as we develop a final rule.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments to the Dockets Management System, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room PL–401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590–0001. Comments should identify Docket Number RSPA–03–15327 (HM–206B) and be submitted in two copies. If you wish to receive confirmation of receipt of your written comments, include a self-addressed, stamped postcard. You may also submit comments by e-mail by accessing the Dockets Management System Web site at “<http://dms.dot.gov/>” and following the instructions for submitting a document electronically. If you prefer, you can fax comments to 202–493–2251 for filing in the docket.

The Dockets Management System is located on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building at the Department of Transportation at the above address. You can review public dockets there between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. You can also review comments on-line at the DOT Dockets Management System Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov/>.