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any form of encryption.

2. By Mail. Written comments should be addressed to the EPA Regional Office listed in the ADDRESSES section of this document. For public commenters, it is important to note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing at the EPA Regional Office, as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, confidential business information (CBI), or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in the official public rulemaking file. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available at the Regional Office for public inspection.

Submittal of CBI Comments

Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI electronically to EPA. You may claim information that you submit to EPA as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI (if you submit CBI on disk or CD ROM, mark the outside of the disk or CD ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD ROM the specific information that is CBI). Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

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Considerations When Preparing Comments to EPA

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

- 1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
- 2. Describe any assumptions that you used.

- 3. Provide any technical information and/or data you used that support your
- 4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at your estimate.
- 5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
 - 6. Offer alternatives.
- 7. Make sure to submit your comments by the comment period deadline identified.
- 8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, identify the appropriate regional file/ rulemaking identification number in the subject line on the first page of your response. It would also be helpful if you provided the name, date, and **Federal** Register citation related to your comments. Please note that if EPA receives adverse comment on an amendment, paragraph, or section of this rule and if that provision may be severed from the remainder of the rule, EPA may adopt as final those provisions of the rule that are not the subject of an adverse comment.

Dated: August 18, 2003.

Donald S. Welsh,

Regional Administrator, Region III. [FR Doc. 03-21911 Filed 8-26-03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560-50-P

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 272

[FRL-7479-4]

New Mexico: Incorporation by Reference of State Hazardous Waste Management Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA proposes to codify in the regulations entitled "Approved State Hazardous Waste Management Programs", New Mexico's authorized hazardous waste program. EPA will incorporate by reference into the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) those provisions of the State regulations that are authorized and that EPA will enforce under the Solid Waste Disposal Act, commonly referred to as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). In the "Rules and Regulations" section of this Federal Register, the EPA is codifying and incorporating by reference the State's hazardous waste program as an immediate final rule. EPA did not make a proposal prior to the immediate final rule because we believe these actions

are not controversial and do not expect comments that oppose them. We have explained the reasons for this codification and incorporation by reference in the preamble to the immediate final rule. Unless we get written comments which oppose this incorporation by reference during the comment period, the immediate final rule will become effective on the date it establishes, and we will not take further action on this proposal. If we get comments that oppose these actions, we will withdraw the immediate final rule and it will not take effect. We will then respond to public comments in a later final rule based on this proposal. You may not have another opportunity for comment. If you want to comment on this action, you must do so at this time. **DATES:** Send written comments by

September 26, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Alima Patterson, Region 6 Authorization Coordinator, Grants and Authorization Section (6PD-G), Multimedia Planning and Permitting Division, EPA Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202-2733, Phone number: (214) 665-8533.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alima Patterson at (214) 665-8533 at the

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For additional information, please see the immediate final rule published in the "Rules and Regulations" section of this Federal Register.

Dated: March 27, 2003. Lawrence E. Starfield,

Acting Regional Administrator, EPA Region

address listed in ADDRESSES.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 272

[FRL-7479-2]

Oklahoma: Incorporation by Reference of State Hazardous Waste Management **Program**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The EPA proposes to codify in the regulations entitled "Approved State Hazardous Waste Management Programs", Oklahoma's authorized hazardous waste program. EPA will incorporate by reference into the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) those provisions of the State regulations that are authorized and that EPA will