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Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) publishes its semiannual regulatory agenda to inform interested parties of progress on FEMA regulations. The agenda lists regulations that will be under development or review during the period October 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003.

ADDRESSES: For information about specific regulations, please contact the person listed as the agency contact in the agenda.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Executive Order 12866 "Regulatory Planning and Review" directs each executive agency to publish only such regulations as are required by law, are necessary to interpret the law, or are necessary by compelling public need. We and other Federal departments and agencies publish an agenda of regulations semiannually in order to give you adequate notice of agency rulemaking activities. We also publish a regulatory agenda of rules likely to be significant regulatory actions when that is appropriate.

To fulfill the requirements of Executive Order 12866, this agenda describes current and projected regulatory actions and rules that will be under review or development during the period October 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003. This agenda also contains information on regulations on which we completed action since the last FEMA semiannual agenda was published on May 13, 2002 at 67 FR 33890 to 33896.

We invite your comments on the agenda, including comments by State

and local governments. Please submit any comments to the Rules Docket Clerk, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Room 840, Washington, DC 20472, (Fax) (202) 646-4536 or e-mail: rules@fema.gov. Please refer to the title of the rule that you are inquiring about, or commenting on, and to the rule's Regulation Identifier Number (RIN) found at the end of each agenda entry.

The agenda is not limited to significant regulatory actions and it contains information about FEMA regulations to be developed, reviewed, or published in the next 12 months, except for routine flood elevation determinations, listings of eligible communities under the National Flood Insurance Program, listings of suspended communities and similar designations under the National Flood Insurance Program, and FEMA organizational and management matters.

Dated: September 10, 2002. **Mark D. Wallace,** *General Counsel.*

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3526. NONDISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, HANDICAP, AND AGE IN PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES RECEIVING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 42 USC 794; 42 USC 2000d to 2000d-7; 42 USC 6101 to

6107; EO 12250

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 7; 44 CFR 16

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule would amend FEMA's regulations implementing title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1972, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975. Together, these statutes prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, and age in programs or activities that receive Federal financial assistance. Publication of this rule would explicitly incorporate the Civil Rights Restoration Act definitions of "program or activity" and "program."

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/06/00	65 FR 76460
NPRM Comment Period End	01/05/01	
Final Action	12/00/02	
Final Action Effective	01/00/03	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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RIN: 3067-AD14

3527. HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING AND HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 42 USC 5121

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 201; 44 CFR 206

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This regulation would implement the new hazard mitigation planning requirements of section 322 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as it was amended by the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	02/26/02	67 FR 8844
Interim Final Rule Effective	02/26/02	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period	04/29/02	

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	10/01/02	67 FR 61512
Interim Final Rule Effective	10/01/02	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	12/02/02	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: State,

Local, Tribal

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RIN: 3067-AD22

3528. DISASTER ASSISTANCE; FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS AND HOUSEHOLDS

Priority: Economically Significant. Major under 5 USC 801.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 5174; 42 USC

5178; PL 106-390 sec 206 **CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 206

Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory, May

1, 2002.

Abstract: This rule would implement subsection 206(a) of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, that amends section 408 of the Robert T. Stafford

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Disaster Relief and Emergency
Assistance Act, and changes the title
of the provision from "Temporary
Housing Assistance" to "Federal
Assistance to Individuals and
Households." In addition, subsection
206(c) of the Disaster Mitigation Act of
2000 repeals section 411 of the Stafford
Act.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/23/02	67 FR 3412
NPRM Comment Period End	03/11/02	
Interim Final Rule	09/30/02	67 FR 61446
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/30/02	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/15/03	
Corrections	10/09/02	67 FR 62896
Corrections Effective	10/09/02	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: State,

Federal

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RIN: 3067-AD25

3529. ● NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM (NFIP); GROUP FLOOD INSURANCE POLICY (GFIP)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 42 USC 4001 et seq CFR Citation: 44 CFR 61

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This interim final rule amends the Group Flood Insurance Policy (GFIP), as a result of the consolidation of sections 408 and 411 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act by section 206 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	09/30/02	67 FR 61460
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/30/02	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/15/03	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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Related RIN: Related To 3067-AD25

RIN: 3067–AD31

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3530. FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 42 USC 4104c; 42

USC 4104d

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 78 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This interim final rule implements sections 553 and 554 of the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, to provide grants under the National Flood Mitigation Fund to States and communities for planning assistance and for mitigation projects that reduce the risk of flood damages to structures covered under contracts for flood insurance.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Final Action		62 FR 13346 Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: State,

Local, Tribal

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RIN: 3067–AC45

3531. CRIMINAL AND CIVIL PENALTIES UNDER THE ROBERT T. STAFFORD DISASTER RELIEF AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE ACT

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 42 USC 5157(d); PL 101-410; 28 USC 2461; PL 104-134, sec

31001(s)

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 206 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule would increase the maximum civil penalty under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act from \$5,000 to \$5,500.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/10/97	62 FR 5957

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM Comment Period End	04/11/97	
Final Action	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

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RIN: 3067–AC61

3532. DISASTER ASSISTANCE; HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5121 et seq

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 206 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule would revise the categories of projects eligible for funding under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. It emphasizes

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nonstructural flood mitigation measures to reduce the number of flood-prone structures and clarifies that major structural flood control projects will not be considered for funding under the grant program.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/01/98	63 FR 24143
NPRM Comment Period End	07/01/98	
Final Action	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

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3533. PRODUCTION OR DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: PL 104-231 CFR Citation: 44 CFR 5 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule would give the public access to Government information and records maintained in an electronic format: 1) provide for expedited processing of certain requests; 2) establish an "electronic reading room;" 3) require edited material to be estimated or indicated in an agency's delay in processing requests; and 4) require FEMA to make an agency reference guide available on the Freedom of Information Act.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/28/98	63 FR 45982
NPRM Comment Period End	10/27/98	
Final Action	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3534. TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 31 USC 7701(c)

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 6 **Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: This rule would implement the Debt Collection Improvement Act requirement that any person doing business with a Federal agency must provide the agency with the person's taxpayer identification number.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

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RIN: 3067-AC76

3535. DEBT COLLECTION

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 31 USC 3720A CFR Citation: 44 CFR 11

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Under this rule, FEMA will refer delinquent debts owed to this agency to the Department of the Treasury for collection under the Governmentwide Treasury Offset Program and for tax-refund offsets at the same time. FEMA amends its regulations to allow administrative offset against delinquent debtor States and units of general local government. FEMA also amends its regulations to change the method for calculating interest, penalty and administrative charges assessed on delinquent debts and to make States and units of general local government subject to such changes.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	01/08/98	63 FR 1063
Final Action	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: State,

Local

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RIN: 3067–AC77

3536. DEBT COLLECTION

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 31 USC 3720A

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 11 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule would implement policies used by FEMA to collect debts under the Debt Collection Act of 1982, including measures to collect and to compromise or terminate collection action.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 3067-AC84

3537. NATIONAL URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE RESPONSE SYSTEM

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5121 et seq

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 208 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule would prescribe policies and procedures pertaining to FEMA's National Urban Search and Rescue Response System.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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RIN: 3067–AC93

3538. ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS: **AUDITS OF STATES, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 31 USC 7501 CFR Citation: 44 CFR 14 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule implements the Single Audit Act of 1984, as amended, on an agencywide basis within FEMA. It requires recipients of financial assistance from FEMA to comply with OMB Circular A-133, which sets forth standards for obtaining consistency and uniformity among Federal agencies for the audit of States, local governments, and nonprofit organizations expending Federal awards.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected:

Undetermined

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RIN: 3067–AC98

3539. NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM; INSURANCE COVERAGE AND RATES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 42 USC 4001 et seg CFR Citation: 44 CFR 61

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule would apply fullrisk premium rates under the NFIP to structures that have suffered multiple flood losses and whose owners decline an offer of funding to eliminate or reduce future flood damage.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/05/99	64 FR 42632

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM Comment	09/07/99	
Period End		

To Be Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Final Action

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 3067-AD02

3540. ORGANIZATIONAL UNITS, **FUNCTIONS AND DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY**

Priority: Info./Admin./Other

Legal Authority: Reorganization Plan

No. 3 of 1978

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 2 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule revises 44 CFR part 2 to reflect changes in FEMA's organizational structure, functions of new directorates and offices, and delegations of authority.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 3067-AD03

3541. UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANTS AND AGREEMENTS WITH INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, HOSPITALS, AND OTHER NONPROFIT **ORGANIZATIONS**

Priority: Other Significant. Major under 5 USC 801.

Legal Authority: PL 105-277

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 13 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This interim final rule presents an interim final revision to the agencies' codification of OMB Circular A-110, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Non-Profit Organizations." It provides uniform administrative requirements for all grants and cooperative agreements to institutions of higher education, hospitals, and other nonprofit organizations.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

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RIN: 3067-AD07

3542. GOVERNMENTWIDE **DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION** (NONPROCUREMENT)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: PL 103-355; 31 USC 6101 note

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 17; 44 CFR 20

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This common rule would make changes to the existing Governmentwide nonprocurement common rule for debarment and suspension, and the Governmentwide rule implementing the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM NPRM Comment Period End	01/23/02 03/25/02	67 FR 3315

Next Action Undetermined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes

Small Entities Affected: Businesses **Government Levels Affected: None** Agency Contact: Charles F. McNulty, Federal Emergency Management

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RIN: 3067–AD15

3543. NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM (NFIP); INSPECTION OF INSURED STRUCTURES BY COMMUNITIES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 42 USC 4001 et seq CFR Citation: 44 CFR 59; 44 CFR 61

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule would amend FEMA regulations to clarify that areas of Monroe County, Florida that incorporate on or after January 1, 1999 and become eligible for the sale of flood insurance must participate in the inspection procedure to help the communities of Monroe County and the Village of Islamorda verify that structures comply with the community's floodplain management ordinance, and to ensure that property owners pay flood insurance premiums to the NFIP commensurate with their flood risk.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	03/08/02	67 FR 10631
Next Action Undeter	mined	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: State, Local

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RIN: 3067-AD16

3544. DISASTER ASSISTANCE; PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND COMMUNITY DISASTER LOAN PROGRAM STATUTORY CHANGES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 42 USC 5121 CFR Citation: 44 CFR 206 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule amends FEMA's regulations for the Public Assistance Program and the Community Disaster Loan Program to reflect statutory changes to these programs. Specifically the rule: 1) changes the Federal contribution for Large in Lieu Contributions also known as "alternate projects;" 2) adds irrigation districts to the list of eligible private nonprofit (PNP) facilities; 3) institutes a loan requirement for certain non-critical PNP facilities; and 4) limits Community Disaster Loans to \$5 million and requires that loan applicants not be in arrears on any previous loan.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	05/04/01	66 FR 22443
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	07/03/01	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 3067–AD20

3545. ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS (FIRE) GRANT PROGRAM

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 15 USC 2201 et seq

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 152 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This interim final rule will provide guidance on a new program to make grants directly to fire departments of a State for the purpose of enhancing their ability to protect the health and safety of the public, as well as that of the firefighting personnel facing fire

and fire-related hazards. The grants will be awarded on a competitive basis, based on demonstrated financial need for and maximum benefit to be derived from the grant funds.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	03/21/01	66 FR 15968
Second Interim Final Rule	02/27/02	67 FR 9142
Second Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/29/02	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 3067-AD21

3546. DISASTER ASSISTANCE DEFINITIONS; STATUTORY CHANGE

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5121 to

5204(c)

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 206.2 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule would amend the definitions of "State," "United States," and "Local Government," as set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations, to coincide with those definitions established by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: State,

Local

Federalism: This action may have federalism implications as defined in EO 13132.

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RIN: 3067-AD26

3547. ● COST PRINCIPLES, ADMIN. REQUIREMENTS AND AUDITS OF GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS FOR STATE, LOCAL AND INDIAN TRIBAL GOVTS., INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER ED. AND OTHER NON-PROFIT ORGS.—44 CFR PART 14

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 31 USC 503, Chief

Financial Officers Act
CFR Citation: 44 CFR 14
Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This final rule revises 44 CFR part 14 to adopt all of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) circulars that govern cost principles, administrative requirements, and audits of grants and cooperative agreements for State, local, and Indian tribal governments, institutions of higher education, hospitals, and other nonprofit organizations, including

applicable exceptions to the common rules.

Timetable:

Action Date FR Cite
Final Rule To Be Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: State,

Local, Tribal

Federalism: Undetermined

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RIN: 3067-AD28

3548. ● MANAGEMENT COSTS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 42 USC 5165 (b) CFR Citation: 44 CFR 206; 44 CFR 207

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule implements the management costs provisions of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford

Act), simplifies and clarifies the method by which FEMA contributes to costs incurred by grantees and subgrantees in implementing the Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation Grant programs, and establishes fixed management cost rates for compensating eligible grantees and subgrantees while adequately protecting Federal financial interests.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/30/02	67 FR 56130
NPRM Comment	09/30/02	
Period End		
Final Action	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: State,

Local, Tribal

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RIN: 3067–AD29

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3549. ● NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM (NFIP); ASSISTANCE TO PRIVATE SECTOR PROPERTY INSURERS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 42 USC 4001 et seq

CFR Citation: 44 CFR 62 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This final rule changes the effective date of the Financial Assistance/Subsidy Arrangement to October 1, 2002. The Arrangement defines the duties and responsibilities

of insurers that sell and service the insurance under the Write Your Own program. It also identifies the responsibilities of the Government to provide financial and technical assistance to those insurers.

Timetable:

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Final Action Effective	10/01/02	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: ${\operatorname{None}}$

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