any party to the proceedings require or permit further filings or other action, such as an informal conference, oral argument, additional written submissions, or an evidentiary hearing. Such further action shall be allowed only when necessary for full and fair resolution of the issues arising from the application and shall take place as promptly as possible. A motion for further filings or other action shall specifically identify the information sought on the disputed issues and shall explain why the further filings or other action is necessary to resolve the issues.

(c) In the event that an evidentiary hearing is required or permitted by the adjudicative officer, such hearing and any related filings or other action required or permitted shall be conducted pursuant to the procedural rules governing the underlying adversary adjudication.

§17.26 Decision on application.

The Presiding Officer shall issue a recommended decision on the application which shall include proposed written findings and conclusions on such of the following as are relevant to the decision:

(a) The applicant's status as a prevailing party;

(b) The applicant's qualification as a "party" under 5 U.S.C. 504(b)(1)(B);

(c) Whether EPA's position as a party to the proceeding was substantially justified;

(d) Whether the special cirumstances make an award unjust;

(e) Whether the applicant during the course of the proceedings engaged in conduct that unduly and unreasonably protracted the final resolution of the matter in controversy; and

(f) The amounts, if any, awarded for fees and other expenses, explaining any difference between the amount requested and the amount awarded.

§17.27 Agency review.

The recommended decision of the Presiding Officer will be reviewed by EPA in accordance with EPA's procedures for the type of substantive proceeding involved.

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§17.28 Judicial review.

Judicial review of final EPA decisions on awards may be sought as provided in 5 U.S.C. 504(c)(2).

§17.29 Payment of award.

An applicant seeking payment of an award shall submit a copy of the final decision granting the award to the Office of Financial Management for Processing. A statement that review of the underlying decision is not being sought in the United States courts or that the process for seeking review of the award has been completed must also be included.

PART 19—ADJUSTMENT OF CIVIL MONETARY PENALTIES FOR IN-FLATION

Sec.

- 19.1 Applicability.
- 19.2 Effective Date.19.3 [Reserved].
- 19.4 Penalty Adjustment and Table.

AUTHORITY: Pub. L. 101-410, 28 U.S.C. 2461 note; Pub. L. 104-134, 31 U.S.C. 3701 note.

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§19.1 Applicability.

This part applies to each statutory provision under the laws administered by the Environmental Protection Agency concerning the maximum civil monetary penalty which may be assessed in either civil judicial or administrative proceedings.

§19.2 Effective Date.

The increased penalty amounts set forth in this part apply to all violations under the applicable statutes and regulations which occur after March 15, 2004.

§19.3 [Reserved]

§19.4 Penalty Adjustment and Table.

The adjusted statutory penalty provisions and their maximum applicable amounts are set out in Table 1. The last column in the table provides the newly effective maximum penalty amounts.

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TABLE 1 OF SECTION 19.4.-CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY INFLATION ADJUSTMENTS

U.S. code citation	Civil monetary penalty description	Penalties effective between January 30, 1997 and March 15, 2004	New maximum penalty amount
7 U.S.C. 136I.(a)(1)	FEDERAL INSECTICIDE, FUNGICIDE, & RODENTICIDE ACT CIVIL PENALTY—GENERAL—COMMERCIAL AP- PLICATORS, ETC.	\$5,500	\$6,500
7 U.S.C. 136I.(a)(2)	FEDERAL INSECTICIDE, FUNGICIDE, & RODENTICIDE ACT CIVIL PENALTY—PRIVATE APPLICATORS—FIRST AND SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES OR VIOLATIONS.	\$550/\$1000	\$650/\$1,200
15 U.S.C. 2615(a) 15 U.S.C. 2647(a)	TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT CIVIL PENALTY ASBESTOS HAZARD EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACT CIVIL PENALTY.	\$27,500 \$5,500	\$32,500 \$6,500
15 U.S.C. 2647(g)	ASBESTOS HAZARD EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACT- CONTRACTOR VIOLATIONS.	\$5000	\$5,500
31 U.S.C. 3802(a)(1)	PROGRAM FRAUD CIVIL REMEDIES ACT/VIOLATION IN- VOLVING FALSE CLAIM.	\$5,500	\$6,500
31 U.S.C. 3802(a)(2)	PROGRAM FRAUD CIVIL REMEDIES ACT/VIOLATION IN- VOLVING FALSE STATEMENT.	\$5,500	\$6,500
33 U.S.C. 1319(d) 33 U.S.C. 1319(g)(2)(A).	CLEAN WATER ACT VIOLATION/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY CLEAN WATER ACT VIOLATION/ADMINISTRATIVE PEN- ALTY PER VIOLATION AND MAXIMUM.	\$27,500 \$11,000/\$27,500	\$32,500 \$11,000/\$32,500
33 U.S.C. 1319(g)(2)(B).	CLEAN WATER ACT VIOLATION/ADMINISTRATIVE PEN- ALTY PER VIOLATION AND MAXIMUM.	\$11,000/\$137,500	\$11,000/\$157,500
33 U.S.C. 1321(b)(6)(B)(l).	CLEAN WATER ACT VIOLATION/ADMIN PENALTY OF SEC 311(b)(3)&(j) PER VIOLATION AND MAXIMUM.	\$11,000/\$27,500	\$11,000/\$32,500
33 U.S.C. 1321(b)(6)(B)(ii).	CLEAN WATER ACT VIOLATION/ADMIN PENALTY OF SEC 311(b)(3)&(j) PER VIOLATION AND MAXIMUM.	\$11,000/\$137,500	\$11,000/\$157,500
33 U.S.C. 1321(b)(7)(A).	CLEAN WATER ACT VIOLATION/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY OF SEC 311(b)(3)—PER VIOLATION PER DAY OR PER BARREL OR UNIT.	\$27,500 or \$1,100 per barrel or unit.	\$32,500 or \$1,100 per barrell or unit
33 U.S.C. 1321(b)(7)(B).	CLEAN WATER ACT VIOLATION/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY OF SEC 311(c)&(e)(1)(B).	\$27,500	\$32,500
33 U.S.C. 1321(b)(7)(C).	CLEAN WATER ACT VIOLATION/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY OF SEC 311(i).	\$27,500	\$32,500
33 U.S.C. 1321(b)(7)(D).	CLEAN WATER ACT VIOLATION/MINIMUM CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY OF SEC 311(b)(3)—PER VIOLATION OR PER BARREL/UNIT.	\$110,000 or \$3,300 per bar- rel or unit.	\$130,000 or \$4,300 per bar- rel or unit.
33 U.S.C. 1414b(d)	MARINE PROTECTION, RESEARCH & SANCTUARIES ACT VIOL SEC 104b(d).	\$660	\$760
33 U.S.C. 1415(a)	MARINE PROTECTION RESEARCH AND SANCTUARIES ACT VIOLATIONS—FIRST & SUBSEQUENT VIOLA- TIONS.	\$55,000/\$137,500	\$65,000/\$157,500
42 U.S.C. 300g-3(b)	SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY OF SEC 1414(b).	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 300g-3(c)	SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY OF SEC 1414(c).	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 300g- 3(g)(3)(A).	SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY OF SEC 1414(g)(3)(a).	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 300g- 3(g)(3)(B).	SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT/ MAXIMUM ADMINISTRA- TIVE PENALTIES PER SEC 1414(g)(3)(B).	\$5,000/\$25,000	\$6,000/\$27,500
42 U.S.C. 300g- 3(g)(3)(C).	SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT/THRESHOLD REQUIRING CIVIL JUDICIAL ACTION PER SEC 1414(g)(3)(C).	\$25,000	\$27,500
42 U.S.C. 300h- 2(b)(1).	SDWA/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY/VIOLATIONS OF REQS- UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL (UIC).	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 300h- 2(c)(1).	SDWA/CIVIL ADMIN PENALTY/VIOLATIONS OF UIC REQS—PER VIOLATION AND MAXIMUM.	\$11,000/\$137,500	\$11,000/\$157,500
42 U.S.C.300h-2(c)(2)	SDWA/CIVIL ADMIN PENALTY/VIOLATIONS OF UIC REQS—PER VIOLATION AND MAXIMUM.	\$5,500/\$137,500	\$6,500/\$157,500
42 U.S.C. 300h- 3(c)(1).	SDWA/VIOLATION/OPERATION OF NEW UNDERGROUND INJECTION WELL.	\$5,500	\$6,500
42 U.S.C. 300h- 3(c)(2).	SDWA/WILLFUL VIOLATION/OPERATION OF NEW UN- DERGROUND INJECTION WELL.	\$11,000	\$11,000
42 U.S.C. 300i(b)	SDWA/FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH IMMINENT AND SUB- STANTIAL ENDANGERMENT ORDER.	\$15,000	\$16,500
42 U.S.C. 300i-1(c)	SDWA/ATTEMPTING TO OR TAMPERING WITH PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY.	\$22,000/\$55,000	\$100,000/ \$1,000,000
42 U.S.C. 300j(e)(2)	SDWA/FAILURE TO COMPLY W/ORDER ISSUED UNDER SEC. 1441(c)(1).	\$2,750	\$2,750
42 U.S.C. 300j-4(c)	SDWA/REFUSAL TO COMPLY WITH REQS. OF SEC. 1445(a) OR (b).	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 300j–6(b)(2)	SDWAVFAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ADMIN. ORDER ISSUED TO FEDERAL FACILITY.	\$25,000	\$27,500

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U.S. code citation	Civil monetary penalty description	Penalties effective between January 30, 1997 and March 15, 2004	New maximum penalty amount
42 U.S.C. 300j–23(d)	SDWA/VIOLATIONS/SECTION 1463(b)-FIRST OFFENSE/	\$5,500/\$55,000	\$6,500/\$65,000
42 U.S.C. 4852d(b)(5)	REPEAT OFFENSE. RESIDENTIAL LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARD REDUCTION ACT OF 1992. SEC 1018—CIVIL PENALTY.	\$11,000	\$11,000
42 U.S.C. 4910(a)(2) 42 U.S.C. 6928(a)(3)	NOISE CONTROL ACT OF 1972—CIVIL PENALTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION & RECOVERY ACT/VIOLA-	\$11,000 \$27,500	\$11,000 \$32,500
42 U.S.C. 6928(c)	TION SUBTITLE C ASSESSED PER ORDER. RES. CONS. & REC. ACT/CONTINUED NONCOMPLIANCE	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 6928(g)	OF COMPLIANCE ORDER. RESOURCE CONSERVATION & RECOVERY ACT/VIOLA-	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 6928(h)(2)	TION SUBTITLE C. RES. CONS. & REC. ACT/NONCOMPLIANCE OF CORREC-	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 6934(e)	TIVE ACTION ORDER. RES. CONS. & REC. ACT/NONCOMPLIANCE WITH SEC-	\$5,500	\$6,500
42 U.S.C. 6973(b)	TION 3013 ORDER. RES. CONS. & REC. ACT/VIOLATIONS OF ADMINISTRA-	\$5,500	\$6,500
42 U.S.C. 6991e(a)(3)	TIVE ORDER. RES. CONS. & REC. ACT/NONCOMPLIANCE WITH UST	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 6991e(d)(1)	ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER. RES. CONS. & REC. ACT/FAILURE TO NOTIFY OR FOR	\$11,000	\$11,000
42 U.S.C. 6991e(d)(2)	SUBMITTING FALSE INFORMATION. RCRAVIOLATIONS OF SPECIFIED UST REGULATORY	\$11,000	\$11,000
42 U.S.C. 14304(a)(1) 42 U.S.C. 14304(g)	REQUIREMENTS. BATTERY ACT VIOLATIONS BATTERY ACT/VIOLATIONS OF CORRECTIVE ACTION	\$10,000 \$10,000	\$11,000 \$11,000
42 U.S.C. 7413(b)	ORDERS. CLEAN AIR ACT/VIOLATION/OWNERS & OPERATORS OF STATIONARY AIR POLLUTION SOURCES-JUDICIAL	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 7413 (d)(1)	PENALTIES. CLEAN AIR ACT/VIOLATION/OWNERS & OPERATORS OF STATIONARY AIR POLLUTION SOURCES-ADMINISTRA- TIVE DEDUIDING ATION & MARKAN AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND A	\$27,500/\$220,000	\$32,500/\$270,000
42 U.S.C. 7413(d)(3)	TIVE PENALTIES PER VIOLATION & MAX. CLEAN AIR ACT/MINOR VIOLATIONS/STATIONARY AIR	\$5,500	\$6,500
42 U.S.C. 7524(a)	POLLUTION SOURCES—FIELD CITATIONS. TAMPERING OR MANUFACTURE/SALE OF DEFEAT DE- VICES IN VIOLATION OF 7522(a)(3)(A) OR (a)(3)(B)—BY DEDECONS	\$2,750	\$2,750
42 U.S.C. 7524(a)	PERSONS. VIOLATION OF 7522(a)(3)(A) OR (a)(3)(B)—BY MANUFAC- TURERS OR DEALERS; ALL VIOLATIONS OF 7522(a)(1),(2), (4),&(5) BY ANYONE.	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 7524(c)	ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES AS SET IN 7524(a) & 7545(d) WITH A MAXIMUM ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY.	\$220,000	\$270,000
42 U.S.C. 7545(d) 42 U.S.C.	VIOLATIONS OF FUELS REGULATIONS SUPERFUND AMEND. & REAUTHORIZATION ACT/NON-	\$27,500 \$27,500	\$32,500 \$32,500
9604(e)(5)(B). 42 U.S.C. 9606(b)(1)	COMPLIANCE W/REQUEST FOR INFO OR ACCESS. SUPERFUND/WORK NOT PERFORMED W/IMMINENT,	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 9609(a)&(b)	SUBSTANTIAL ENDANGERMENT. SUPERFUND/ADMIN. PENALTY VIOLATIONS UNDER 42	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 9609(b)	U.S.C. SECT. 9603, 9608, OR 9622. SUPERFUND/ADMIN. PENALTY VIOLATIONS—SUBSE-	\$82,500	\$97,500
42 U.S.C. 9609(c)	QUENT. SUPERFUND/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY/VIOLATIONS OF	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 9609(c)	SECT. 9603, 9608, 9622. SUPERFUND/CIVIL JUDICIAL PENALTY/SUBSEQUENT	\$82,500	\$97,500
42 U.S.C. 11045(a)&(b)	VIOLATIONS OF SECT. 9603, 9608, 9622. EMERGENCY PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RIGHT-TO- KNOW ACT CLASS I & II ADMINISTRATIVE AND CIVIL	\$27,500	\$32,500
(1),(2)&(3). 42 U.S.C. 11045(b)	PENALTIES. EPCRA CLASS I & II ADMINISTRATIVE AND CIVIL PEN-	\$82,500	\$97,500
(2)&(3). 42 U.S.C. 11045(c)(1)	ALTIES—SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS. EPCRA CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTING PEN- ALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF SECTIONS 11022 OR	\$27,500	\$32,500
42 U.S.C. 11045(c)(2)	11023. EPCRA CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTING PEN- ALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF SECTIONS 11021 OR	\$11,000	\$11,000
42 U.S.C. 11045(d)(1)	11043(b). EPCRA—FRIVOLOUS TRADE SECRET CLAIMS—CIVIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES.	\$27,500	\$32,500