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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains notices to the public of the proposed issuance of rules and regulations. The purpose of these notices is to give interested persons an opportunity to participate in the rule making prior to the adoption of the final rules.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

7 CFR Part 331

9 CFR Part 121

[Docket No. APHIS-2009-0070]

RIN 0579-AD09

Agricultural Bioterrorism Protection Act of 2002; Biennial Review and Republication of the Select Agent and Toxin List; Amendments to the Select Agent and Toxin Regulations

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: We are reopening the comment period for our proposed rule that would amend and republish the list of select agents and toxins that have the potential to pose a severe threat to animal or plant health, or to animal or plant products, reorganize the list of select agents and toxins based on the relative potential of each select agent or toxin to be misused to adversely affect human, plant, or animal health, and amend the regulations in order to add definitions and clarify language concerning security, training, biosafety, biocontainment, and incident response. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published October 3, 2011 (76 FR 61228), is reopened. We will consider all comments that we receive on or before January 17, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=APHIS-2009-0070-0035>.
- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:*

Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2009-0070, Regulatory Analysis

and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2009-0070> or in our reading room, which is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690-2817 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Charles L. Divan, Branch Chief, APHIS Agriculture Select Agent Program, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 2, Riverdale, MD 20737-1231; (301) 734-5960.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 3, 2011, we published in the *Federal Register* (76 FR 61228-61244, Docket No. APHIS-2009-0070) a proposal to amend and republish the list of select agents and toxins that have the potential to pose a severe threat to animal or plant health, or to animal or plant products, reorganize the list of select agents and toxins based on the relative potential of each select agent or toxin to be misused to adversely affect human, plant, or animal health, and amend the regulations in order to add definitions and clarify language concerning security, training, biosafety, biocontainment, and incident response.

Comments on the proposed rule were required to be received on or before December 2, 2011. We are reopening the comment period on Docket No. APHIS-2009-0070 for an additional 30 days. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments. We will also consider all comments we receive between December 3, 2011, and the date of this document.

Done in Washington, DC, this 12th day of December 2011.

Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

10 CFR Parts 429 and 431

[Docket No. EERE-2010-BT-TP-0044]

RIN 1904-AC37

Energy Conservation Program for Certain Commercial and Industrial Equipment: Test Procedures for High-Intensity Discharge Lamps

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) proposes to establish its test procedures for high-intensity discharge (HID) lamps under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975 (EPCA), as amended. The proposed test procedures are based on industry standard procedures and practices already established by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IES), and the International Commission on Illumination (Commission Internationale de l'Eclairage (CIE)). The proposed test procedures would include measurement of parameters to enable calculation of lamp efficacy (in lumens per watt or lm/W), and would also provide for the efficiency measurement of directional lamps using center beam intensity (in candelas) and beam angle. The proposed procedures would also measure lumen maintenance (*i.e.*, the fraction or percentage of lamp light output relative to initial output, over time) at 40 percent and 70 percent of rated lamp lifetime. Correlated color temperature (CCT) and color rendering index (CRI) would also be measured as potential means to delineate equipment classes for HID lamps. This notice of proposed rulemaking (NPR) also discusses DOE's conclusion that HID lamps do not operate or use energy in standby mode or off mode. Therefore, DOE does not propose test procedures for these modes.

DATES: DOE will hold a public meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., in Washington, DC. The meeting will also be broadcast as a webinar. See section V, "Public Participation," for webinar registration information, participant instructions,