

existing requirements previously promulgated by OSM will be implemented by the State. In making the determination as to whether this rule would have a significant economic impact, the Department relied upon the data and assumptions for the counterpart Federal regulations.

6. *Unfunded Mandates*

This rule will not impose a cost of \$100 million or more in any given year on any governmental entity or the private sector.

List of Subjects in 30 CFR Part 934

Intergovernmental relations, Surface mining, Underground mining.

Dated: April 29, 1998.

Russell F. Price,

Acting Regional Director, Western Regional Coordinating Center.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 141 and 142

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National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts; Notice of Data Availability: Notice of Re-Opening of Comment Period and Public Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

ACTION: Notice of re-opening of comment period and public meeting.

SUMMARY: This action provides notice of re-opening of the comment period for the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Notice of Data Availability published in the **Federal Register** on March 31, 1998 (63 FR 15674). USEPA solicits comment on all aspects of this Notice and the supporting record. EPA also solicits additional data and information that may be relevant to the issues discussed in the Notice. The comment period is being re-opened for an additional 30 days due to the unanticipated interest regarding the public health implications of the information presented in the Notice of Data Availability.

The Agency will hold a public meeting on May 26, 1998, to discuss the contents of the Notice. Additional details regarding the meeting are provided below.

DATES: The original comment period ended April 30, 1998. The re-opened

comment period will end on June 8, 1998. Comments should be postmarked or delivered by hand on or before June 8, 1998. Comments must be received or post-marked by midnight June 8, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to DBP NODA Docket Clerk, Water Docket (MC-4101); U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; 401 M Street, SW; Washington, DC 20460. Comments may be hand-delivered to the Water Docket, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; 401 M Street, SW; East Tower Basement, Washington, DC 20460. Comments may be submitted electronically to ow-docket@epamail.epa.gov.

As noted above, EPA is holding a public meeting on May 26, 1998, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to discuss the contents of the Notice of Data Availability. The public meeting will be held at the office of Resolve at 1255 23rd Street, NW; Suite 275; Washington DC 20037. In keeping with its open door policy for meetings with the public EPA is inviting all interested members of the public to attend this meeting, with seating on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested persons who wish to submit comments should do so in writing during the 30-day public comment period in the manner described in the previous sections of this Notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information contact the Safe Drinking Water Hotline, telephone (800) 426-4791. The Safe Drinking Water Hotline is open Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Eastern Time. For technical inquiries, contact Dr. Vicki Dellarco, Office of Science and Technology (MC 4304), or Mike Cox, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (MC 4607), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington DC 20460; telephone (202) 260-7336 (Dellarco) or (202) 260-1445 (Cox).

Dated: May 5, 1998.

Robert Perciasepe,

Assistant Administrator for Water.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 258, 260, 261, 264, 265, 266, 270, and 279

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Notice of Intent To Reform Implementation of RCRA-Related Methods and Monitoring and Notice of Availability for Draft Update IVA of SW-846

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of intent and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is providing notice of, and invites comment on, its intent to reform implementation of RCRA-related monitoring by formally adopting a performance-based measurement system (PBMS), by improving public outreach and communication, and by improving availability and distribution of the EPA-approved test methods manual "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods", EPA Publication SW-846. Implementation of PBMS will include a proposal to change certain RCRA regulations so that the exclusive use of SW-846 methods will no longer be required. EPA is also announcing the availability of, and requests comment on, "Draft Update IVA" to the Third Edition of SW-846, which contains new and revised methods. EPA also requests comment on deleting several individual methods and integrating them into two comprehensive methods, and removing Chapter Eleven from SW-846.

DATES: The Agency is opening the comment period for the limited purpose of obtaining information and views on the Agency's notice to reform implementation of RCRA-related monitoring, as described in this document, and on the methods and chapters of Draft Update IVA. Written comments must be submitted by June 22, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Commenters must send an original and two copies of their comments referencing docket number F-98-4TMA-FFFFF to: RCRA Information Center (RIC), Office of Solid Waste (5305G), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters (EPA, HQ), 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20460. Courier deliveries of comments should be submitted to the RIC at the address listed below. Comments may also be submitted electronically through the Internet to: RCRA-docket@epamail.epa.gov.