

3. *Expiration date.* This regulation expires September 30, 1981.

4. *Background.* Subpart 101-36.15 requires agencies to submit an annual ADP and telecommunications system plan. However, agencies were reporting similar information to GSA and to the Office of Telecommunications Policy (OTP) as required by OTP Circular No. 12. GSA advised agencies in 1976 to hold their planning submissions until the reporting requirements could be reviewed and consolidated. Now that OTP 12 has been canceled, this regulation needs to be further reviewed and updated.

5. *Comments and information.*

Questions or comments concerning this action should be referred to the Procurement Policy and Regulations Branch, telephone 202-566-0834; mailing address: General Services Administration (CPEP), Washington, DC 20405.

6. *Effect on other directives.* The reporting provisions of Subpart 101-36.15 are temporarily suspended. GSA will meet with the Office of Management and Budget to develop a single reporting requirement for Federal agencies.

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Administrator of General Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Materials Transportation Bureau

Research and Special Programs Administration, Transportation Department

49 CFR Part 192

[Amdt. 192-27B; Docket OPS-30]

Transportation of Natural and Other Gas by Pipeline; Repair of Transmission Lines

AGENCY: Materials Transportation Bureau, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends Material Transportation Bureau's regulation on general requirements for repair procedures of gas pipelines (49 CFR 192.711) by correcting a reference to another section which has been redesignated.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This amendment becomes effective January 17, 1980.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ralph T. Simmons, 202-426-2394.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 192.711(b) refers to § 192.717(c). This referenced section was redesignated as § 192.717(a)(3) in Amendment 192-27 (41

FR 34598), but the reference in § 192.711(b) was not changed accordingly.

Since this amendment is an editorial change and does not make a substantive change to the regulations, public participation in this rulemaking is unnecessary.

In consideration of the foregoing, § 192.711(b) is amended by deleting the reference to "§ 192.717(c)" and inserting in lieu thereof "§ 192.717(a)(3)."

(49 U.S.C. 1672; U.S.C. 1804; 49 CFR 1.53, Appendix A of Part 1 and Appendix A of Part 106.)

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Director, Materials Transportation Bureau.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

46 CFR Part 512

[General Order 11, Revised; Docket No. 78-46]

Financial Reports of Common Carriers by Water in the Domestic Offshore Trades

AGENCY: Federal Maritime Commission.

ACTION: Final Rules.

SUMMARY: The Federal Maritime Commission hereby amends Part 512 of Title 46, Code of Federal Regulations in order to (1) establish methodologies that the Federal Maritime Commission (Commission) intends to follow in evaluating rates in the domestic offshore trades filed by vessel operating common carriers (VOCCs) subject to the provisions of the Intercoastal Shipping Act, 1933, and (2) provide for the orderly acquisition of data. The methodology adopted by the Commission, as reflected in the final rules, includes: 1. "Normalized" tax treatment with no deduction of accumulated deferred taxes from rate base; 2. Rate-of-return on rate base rather than rate-of-return on equity; 3. Original value rate base; 4. Cargo cube allocations (using the outside dimensions of containers); and 5. Working Capital formula based on average voyage expense. Reporting requirements are waived for carriers with less than \$5,000,000 gross Trade revenues and less than 25 percent share of the Total trade revenues. The data required by this part shall be accompanied by certification by the corporate officer responsible for the carrier's books, accounts and financial records. Certification by a certified public accountant appearing in the proposed rule has been deleted.

EFFECTIVE DATE: These final rules will become effective upon the completion of GAO review as required under the Federal Reports Act (44 U.S.C. 3512). A notice will be published upon completion of this process.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Francis C. Hurney, Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, 1100 L Street NW., Washington, D.C. 20573 (202) 523-5725.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 15, 1978, the Federal Maritime Commission served an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking which sought written comments from governmental bodies, shippers and carriers regarding the nature, scope and feasibility of substantive guidelines for determining what constitutes a just and reasonable rate of return or profit for common carriers by water in the domestic offshore trades. In addition to this request for written comments, the Commission solicited comments at a series of informal hearings.

On May 1, 1979, the Commission published proposed rules which were intended (1) to establish methodologies that the Federal Maritime Commission (Commission) intends to follow in evaluating rates in the domestic offshore trades filed by vessel operating common carriers (VOCCs) subject to the provisions of the Intercoastal Shipping Act, 1933, and (2) to provide for the orderly acquisition of data essential to this evaluation.

The following parties submitted comments to the proposed rules:

American Institute of Certified Public Accounts (AICPA);
Foss Alaska Line, Inc. (FAL);
Government of Virgin Islands (GVI);
Military Sealift Command (MSC);
State of Hawaii (Hawaii);
Crowley Maritime Corporation (CMC);
Totem Ocean Trailer Express, Inc. (TOIE);
The Transportation Institute (TI);
Puerto Rico Maritime Shipping Authority (PRMSA);
United States Lines, Inc. (USL);
Ragan & Mason (R&M) representing CMC, Matson Navigation Company (MNC), Sealand Service, Inc. (S-L), Tropical Shipping and Construction Co., Ltd. (TS&C);
Maritime Administration (MARAD).

Our discussion of the proposed rules and the comments thereto is organized to the extent possible by the individual sections of the final rules. Following a brief summary of the present rules (General Order 11) and the proposed rules, we discuss the comments and replies. Although all comments were considered in formulating the final rules, not all the minor comments, especially those which did not deal with