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A. EPA Electronic Manifest System; Update

The Electronic Manifest (E-Manifest) Advisory Board held a public meeting on September 26-28, 2017 in Arlington, VA. The meeting was focused on how users will register, activate, and maintain accounts in the E-Manifest system.

Important Dates

December 31, 2017 EPA intends to have the E-Manifest Fee Schedule Final Rule published on or

before December 31, 2017.

Winter 2018 EPA expects to release the E-Manifest beta version this winter.

June 30, 2018 EPA intends to implement the E-Manifest System by June 30, 2018.

Link

The link below will allow you to participate in the testing of the E-Manifest System.

https://www.epa.gov/hwgenerators/how-participate-testing-e-manifest-system-e-manifest

The link below will allow you to subscribe to EPA's Monthly Updates on the E-Manifest System.

https://www.epa.gov/hwgenerators/monthly-update-hazardous-waste-electronic-manifest-system-e-manifest

B. EPA Smart Sectors Program Launch; Notice

On September 26, 2017, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published a notice (82 FR 44783) announcing the launching of the Smart Sectors program in the Office of Policy. The goal of the Smart Sectors program is to re-examine how EPA engages with industry in order to reduce unnecessary regulatory burden, create certainty and predictability, and improve EPA and industry's long-term regulatory planning while also protecting human health and the environment.

Summary

The Smart Sectors program will designate staff-level points of contact who are knowledgeable about the specific industries. These individuals will act as liaisons among industry trade associations and companies, EPA program and regional offices, state and local governments, and other stakeholder groups. The sector liaisons will focus primarily on three main areas:

- 1. Building relationships and improving customer service;
- 2. Developing additional expertise in each industry's operations and environmental performance; and
- 3. Informing EPA during the planning of future policies, regulations, and EPA processes.

Industry Sectors

The Smart Sectors program will initially be implemented in the following industry sectors:

- 1. Aerospace
- 2. Agriculture
- 3. Automotive
- 4. Cement and Concrete
- 5. Chemical Manufacturing
- 6. Construction

- 7. Electronics and Technology
- 8. Iron and Steel
- 9. Oil and Gas
- 10. Ports and Shipping
- 11. Utilities and Power Generation

Link

The link below will allow you to view/print the notice.

https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-09-26/pdf/2017-20310.pdf

C. DOT/FMCSA Fees for the Unified Carrier Registration Plan and Agreement; Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

On September 21, 2017, the Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) published a notice of proposed rulemaking (82 FR 44143-44150) that would reduce the annual registration fees collected from motor carriers, motor private carriers of property, brokers, freight forwarders, and leasing companies for the Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) Plan and Agreement for the 2018 and subsequent years.

Summary

For the 2018 registration year, the fees would be reduced below the current level by approximately 9.10% to ensure that fee revenues do not exceed the statutory maximum, and to account for the excess funds held in the depository. For the 2019 registration year, the fees would be reduced below the current level by approximately 4.55% to ensure the fee revenues in that and future years do not exceed the statutory maximum.

Comments Due

Comments on this notice of proposed rulemaking must be submitted to FMCSA by October 2, 2017.

Link

The link below will allow you to view/print this notice of proposed rulemaking.

https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-09-21/pdf/2017-20079.pdf

D. DOJ/DEA Schedules of Controlled Substances: Removal of Naldemedine from Control; Final Rule

On September 29, 2017, the Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) published a final rule (82 FR 45436-45438) removing the substance Naldemedine (4*R*, 4a*S*, 7a*R*, 12b*S*)-3-(cyclopropylmethyl)-4a,7,9-trihydroxy-*N*-(2-(3-phenyl-1,2,4-oxadiazol-5-yl)propan-2-yl)-2,3,4,4a,5,7a-hexahydro-1*H*-4,12-methanobenzofurol[3,2-e]isoquinoline-6-carboxamide and its salts from the schedules of the Controlled Substances Act.

Summary

On June 8, 2016, DEA received a petition to exclude naldemedine as a schedule II substance. Neldemedine is used in the treatment of opioid induced constipation in patients with chronic non-cancer pain. The FDA approved naldemide for marketing on March 23, 2017. On March 22, 2017, the Health and Human Services provided DEA with a scientific and medical evaluation document provided by the

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) entitled "Basis for the Recommendation to Decontrol Naldemedine and its Salts form the Controlled Substances Act." After reviewing this document and other available scientific and medical data, DEA has determined that naldemedine and its salts should be removed from the schedules of the CSA.

Effective Date

This final rule became effective on the date of publication, September 29, 2017.

Link

The link below will allow you to view/print this final rule.

https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-09-29/pdf/2017-20919.pdf