

“Not for use in veal calves, calves under 1 month of age, or calves being fed an all milk diet. Use may cause violative tissue residues to remain beyond the withdrawal time.” and adding in its place “A withdrawal period has not been established in preruminating calves. Do not use in calves to be processed for veal.”

Dated: May 4, 1998.

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Acting Director, Office of New Animal Drug Evaluation, Center for Veterinary Medicine.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

29 CFR Part 4044

Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing Benefits

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation’s regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans prescribes interest assumptions for valuing benefits under terminating single-employer plans. This final rule amends the regulation to adopt interest assumptions for plans with valuation dates in June 1998.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 1, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harold J. Ashner, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC

20005, 202-326-4024. (For TTY/TDD users, call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4024.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PBGC’s regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans (29 CFR part 4044) prescribes actuarial assumptions for valuing plan benefits of terminating single-employer plans covered by title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

Among the actuarial assumptions prescribed in part 4044 are interest assumptions. These interest assumptions are intended to reflect current conditions in the financial and annuity markets.

Two sets of interest assumptions are prescribed, one set for the valuation of benefits to be paid as annuities and one set for the valuation of benefits to be paid as lump sums. This amendment adds to appendix B to part 4044 the annuity and lump sum interest assumptions for valuing benefits in plans with valuation dates during June 1998.

For annuity benefits, the interest assumptions will be 5.60 percent for the first 25 years following the valuation date and 5.25 percent thereafter. For benefits to be paid as lump sums, the interest assumptions to be used by the PBGC will be 4.25 percent for the period during which a benefit is in pay status and 4.00 percent during any years preceding the benefit’s placement in pay status. These annuity and lump sum interest assumptions are unchanged from those in effect for May 1998.

The PBGC has determined that notice and public comment on this amendment are impracticable and contrary to the public interest. This finding is based on the need to determine and issue new

interest assumptions promptly so that the assumptions can reflect, as accurately as possible, current market conditions.

Because of the need to provide immediate guidance for the valuation of benefits in plans with valuation dates during June 1998, the PBGC finds that good cause exists for making the assumptions set forth in this amendment effective less than 30 days after publication.

The PBGC has determined that this action is not a “significant regulatory action” under the criteria set forth in Executive Order 12866.

Because no general notice of proposed rulemaking is required for this amendment, the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 does not apply. See 5 U.S.C. 601(2).

List of Subjects in 29 CFR Part 4044

Pension insurance, Pensions.

In consideration of the foregoing, 29 CFR part 4044 is amended as follows:

PART 4044—ALLOCATION OF ASSETS IN SINGLE-EMPLOYER PLANS

1. The authority citation for part 4044 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 29 U.S.C. 1301(a), 1302(b)(3), 1341, 1344, 1362.

2. In appendix B, a new entry is added to Table I, and Rate Set 56 is added to Table II, as set forth below. The introductory text of each table is republished for the convenience of the reader and remains unchanged.

Appendix B to Part 4044—Interest Rates Used to Value Annuities and Lump Sums

TABLE I.—ANNUITY VALUATIONS

[This table sets forth, for each indicated calendar month, the interest rates (denoted by i_1, i_2, \dots , and referred to generally as i_t) assumed to be in effect between specified anniversaries of a valuation date that occurs within that calendar month; those anniversaries are specified in the columns adjacent to the rates. The last listed rate is assumed to be in effect after the last listed anniversary date.]

For valuation dates occurring in the month—	The values of i_t are:					
	i_t	for t =	i_t	for t =	i_t	for t =
* * *						
June 19980560	1-25	.0525	>25	N/A	N/A

TABLE II.—LUMP SUM VALUATIONS

[In using this table: (1) For benefits for which the participant or beneficiary is entitled to be in pay status on the valuation date, the immediate annuity rate shall apply; (2) For benefits for which the deferral period is y years (where y is an integer and $0 < y \leq n_1$), interest rate i_1 shall apply from the valuation date for a period of y years, and thereafter the immediate annuity rate shall apply; (3) For benefits for which the deferral period is y years (where y is an integer and $n_1 < y \leq n_1 + n_2$), interest rate i_2 shall apply from the valuation date for a period of $y - n_1$ years, interest rate i_1 shall apply for the following n_1 years, and thereafter the immediate annuity rate shall apply; (4) For benefits for which the deferral period is y years (where y is an integer and $y > n_1 + n_2$), interest rate i_3 shall apply from the valuation date for a period of $y - n_1 - n_2$ years, interest rate i_2 shall apply for the following n_2 years, interest rate i_1 shall apply for the following n_1 years, and thereafter the immediate annuity rate shall apply.]

Rate set	For plans with a valuation date		Immediate annuity rate (percent)	Deferred annuities (percent)				
	On or after	Before		i_1	i_2	i_3	n_1	n_2
*	*		*	*	*	*	*	*
56	06-1-98	07-1-98	4.25	4.00	4.00	4.00	7	8

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David M. Strauss,

Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD05-98-032]

Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Pocomoke River

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the regulations governing the operation of the Route 675 (U.S. 13 Business Route) drawbridge across the Pocomoke River, mile 15.6, in Pocomoke City, Maryland. Beginning May 17, 1998, through June 16, 1998, this deviation requires three-hours advance notice for drawbridge openings from 9 a.m. through 3 p.m. on weekdays, and from 7 p.m. on Fridays through 6 a.m. on Mondays. This deviation is necessary to allow the contractor to paint the bridge.

DATES: This deviation is effective from May 17, 1998 through June 16, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Ann B. Deaton, Bridge Administrator, Fifth Coast Guard District, at (757) 398-6222.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Textar Painting Corporation, a contractor for the Maryland Department of Transportation, requested the Coast Guard to approve a temporary deviation from the normal operation of the bridge in order to accommodate painting the

structure. To paint the bridge, a barge will be used. Three-hours advance notice will be required to open the bridge during the requested time periods.

This deviation will not significantly disrupt vessel traffic, since little exists at this location, and mariners may still transit the bridge provided the three-hours advance notice is given. The regulations at 33 CFR 117.569(b) require the draw to open on signal, except between November 1 and March 31 the draw must open only if at least five hours advance notice is given.

From May 17, 1998, through June 16, 1998, this deviation requires three-hours advance notice for openings of the Route 675 Pocomoke River Drawbridge (U.S. 13 Business route) from 9 a.m. through 3 p.m. on weekdays and from 7 p.m. on Fridays through 6 a.m. on Mondays.

Dated: April 30, 1998.

Roger T. Rufe, Jr.,

Vice Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 82

[FRL-6013-9]

Protection of Stratospheric Ozone; Methyl Bromide

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of clarification.

SUMMARY: This document clarifies a previous statement by EPA about the applicability of a Clean Air Act labeling rule to methyl bromide as a "class I ozone-depleting substance." The labeling rule requires products

"containing" or "manufactured with" a class I ozone-depleting substance to be labeled as such. This document makes clear that any product, including any agricultural product, that "contains" or is "manufactured with" methyl bromide is subject to the labeling rule's requirements. At the same time, EPA is not aware of any agricultural product that "contains" or is "manufactured with" methyl bromide, as those terms are defined by the labeling rule. In particular, raw food commodities grown for the fresh food market and produced with the use of methyl bromide do not meet the definitions of products "containing" or "manufactured with" methyl bromide and are thus not subject to the labeling rule's requirements.

DATES: The effective date of this Notice of Clarification is May 15, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments and data relating to the methyl bromide rule are contained in Air Docket A-92-13, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OAR Docket and Information Center, Room M-1500, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460. Comments and data relating to the labeling rule are contained in Air Docket A-91-60, at the same location. Each of the dockets may be inspected between 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. on weekdays. The telephone number for the dockets is (202) 260-7548; the fax number is (202) 260-4400. As provided in 40 CFR, Part 2, a reasonable fee may be charged for photocopying.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carol Weisner at (202) 564-9193 or fax (202) 565-2096, Stratospheric Protection Division, USEPA, Mail Code 6205J, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20460. Overnight mail (Fed-Ex, Express Mail, etc.) should be sent to our 501 3rd Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001 street address.