

2.2 Optional Higher Package Minimums

A mailer may choose to prepare carrier route packages at a higher level of route saturation (for example, only if there are at least 15 pieces per route). Under this option, smaller groups of six or more pieces per carrier route not prepared in carrier route packages for carrier route rates must be prepared for and paid at another applicable rate.

2.3 Walk-Sequence Identification

In addition to the package label showing carrier route type and number under 2.4, each package of Periodicals walk-sequence mail must show that the mail is walk sequenced and the level of sequencing. A facing slip with the phrase "HIGH DENSITY WALK-SEQUENCED CARRIER ROUTE MAIL" or "SATURATION WALK-SEQUENCED CARRIER ROUTE MAIL" (as applicable) may be placed on the top of each package of walk-sequence mail. It may be an address label with the required information placed on a sample mailpiece that is the top piece in the package, or a slip of paper affixed to the top of the package. If packages are prepared without facing slips, an optional endorsement line or carrier route information line must be placed on each piece in the package to provide the equivalent information.

2.4 Package Preparation

Package size, preparation sequence, and labeling:

- a. Firm: optional (two-piece minimum); blue Label F or optional endorsement line (OEL).
- b. Carrier route: optional but required for rate eligibility (six-piece minimum, fewer not permitted except under 1.5); labeling required except for packages placed in a direct carrier route tray or sack (facing slip, OEL, or CR information line).

3.0 TRAY PREPARATION (LETTER-SIZE PIECES)

Tray size, preparation sequence, and Line 1 and 2 labeling:

- a. Carrier route: required for rate eligibility at 24 pieces, optional with one six-piece package minimum.

(1) Line 1: use 5-digit ZIP Code destination of packages, preceded for military mail by the prefixes under M031.

(2) Line 2: "PER" or "NEWS," as applicable, followed by "LTRS," followed by "WSS" for saturation rate mail, or "WSH" for high density rate mail, or "CR" for basic rate mail, and followed by the route type and number.

b. 5-digit carrier routes: required for rate eligibility if full tray, optional with minimum one six-piece package.

(1) Line 1: use 5-digit ZIP Code destination of packages, preceded for military mail by the prefixes under M031.

(2) Line 2: "PER" or "NEWS," as applicable, followed by "LTRS CR-RTS."

c. 3-digit carrier routes: optional with minimum one six-piece package for each of two or more 5-digit areas.

(1) Line 1: use the city/state/ZIP shown in L002, Column A that corresponds to the 3-digit ZIP Code prefix of packages.

(2) Line 2: "PER" or "NEWS," as applicable, followed by "LTRS 3D CR-RTS."

4.0 SACK PREPARATION (FLAT-SIZE PIECES AND IRREGULAR PARCELS)

Sack size, preparation sequence, and Line 1 and 2 labeling:

- a. Carrier route: required for rate eligibility at 24 pieces, fewer pieces not permitted.

(1) Line 1: use 5-digit ZIP Code destination of packages, preceded for military mail by the prefixes under M031.

(2) Line 2: "PER" or "NEWS" as applicable, followed by "FLTS" or "IRREG" as applicable, followed by "WSS" for saturation rate mail, or "WSH" for high density rate mail, or "CR" for basic rate mail, and followed by the route type and number.

b. 5-digit scheme carrier routes: required for rate eligibility (no minimum).

(1) Line 1: use L001, Column B.

(2) Line 2: "PER" or "NEWS" as applicable, followed by "FLTS" or "IRREG" as applicable, followed by "CR-RTS SCH."

c. 5-digit carrier routes: required for rate eligibility (no minimum).

(1) Line 1: use 5-digit ZIP Code destination of packages, preceded for military mail by the prefixes under M031.

(2) Line 2: "PER" or "NEWS" as applicable, followed by "FLTS" or "IRREG" as applicable, followed by "CR-RTS."

[Copy current M200.5.0 and add as M220.5.0.]

[Copy current M200.6.0 and add as M220.6.0.]

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M800 All Automation Mail

M820 Flat-Size Mail

1.0 Basic Standards

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1.8 Exception—Periodicals Preparation

[Amend 1.8 by replacing the last sentence with the following:]

These low-volume packages may be placed on 5-digit scheme carrier routes, 5-digit scheme, 5-digit carrier routes, 5-digit, 3-digit, and SCF pallets under M041 and M045, or on merged 5-digit scheme, 5-digit scheme carrier routes, 5-digit scheme, merged 5-digit, 5-digit carrier routes, 5-digit, 3-digit, and SCF pallets under M041 and either M920, M930, or M940.

1.9 Co-Traying, Co-Sacking, or Copalletizing with Presorted Rate Mail

Packages of First-Class and Standard Mail (A) prepared under 1.0 and either 2.1 or 4.1, as applicable, may be co-trayed or co-sacked with Presorted rate mail that is part of the same mailing job and mail class at all levels of tray or sack under the provisions of M910. For sacked mailings of Periodicals nonletters, packages of Periodicals automation flats mail prepared under 1.0 and 3.1 that are part of the same mailing job as a Presorted rate mailing of nonletters must be co-sacked under M910, unless the mailing job also contains a carrier route mailing and is eligible for and prepared under M920. See M210.

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3.0 Periodicals

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3.2 Sack Preparation

[Revise the first sentence of 3.2 to read as follows:]

For mailing jobs that also contain a Presorted rate mailing see 1.9 and M910. For other mailing jobs, the following are the sack size, preparation sequence and line 1 labeling: * * *

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An appropriate amendment to 39 CFR to reflect these changes will be published if the proposal is adopted.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 51 and 85

[FRL-6892-1]

RIN 2060-AJ03

Amendments to Vehicle Inspection Maintenance Program Requirements Incorporating the Onboard Diagnostic Check; Reopening of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: This document reopens the public comment period for above-named notice of proposed rulemaking, published Wednesday, September 20, 2000, at 65 FR 56844–56856. The deadline for public comments is being reopened from the original deadline for public comments of October 20, 2000, to November 13, 2000. This reopening is in response to a request received prior to the close of the original comment period.

DATES: Written comments must be received no later than November 13, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties may submit written comments (in duplicate if possible) to Public Docket No. A–2000–16. It is requested that a duplicate copy be submitted to David Sosnowski at the address in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below. The docket is located at the Air Docket, Room M–1500 (6102), Waterside Mall S.W., Washington, DC 20460. The docket may be inspected between 8:30 a.m. and 12 noon and between 1:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. on weekdays. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying docket material.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Sosnowski, Office of Mobile Sources, Regional and State Programs Division, 2000 Traverwood, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48105. Telephone (734) 214–4823.

List of Subjects*40 CFR Part 51*

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Air pollution control, Carbon monoxide, Intergovernmental relations, Lead, Nitrogen dioxide, Ozone, Particulate matter, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Sulfur oxides, Volatile organic compounds.

40 CFR Part 85

Environmental protection, Confidential business information, Imports, Labeling, Motor vehicle pollution, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Research, Warranties.

Dated: October 19, 2000.

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Acting Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service****50 CFR Part 17**

RIN 1018–AG09

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reopening of Comment Period on the Proposed Endangered Status for Three Plants From the Mariana Islands and Guam

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period and notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) gives notice of a public hearing on the proposed endangered status for three plants, *Nesogenes rotensis*, *Osmoxylon marianense*, and *Tabernaemontana rotensis* from the Mariana Islands and Guam. In addition, the comment period which originally closed on July 17, 2000, will be reopened. The new comment period and hearing will allow all interested parties to submit oral or written comments on the proposal. We are seeking comments or suggestions from the public, other concerned governmental agencies, the scientific community, industry, or any other interested parties concerning the proposed rule. Comments already submitted on the proposed rule need not be resubmitted as they will be fully considered in the final determination.

DATES: The comment period for this proposal now closes on November 29, 2000. Any comments received by the closing date will be considered in the final decision on this proposal. The public hearing will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, November 16, 2000, on the island of Rota (Luta), Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Prior to the public hearing, the Service will be available from 5 to 6 p.m. to provide information and to answer questions.

ADDRESSES: The public hearing will be held at the Rota Resort and Country Club, Rota, CNMI. Comments and materials concerning this proposal should be sent to the Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Islands Ecoregion Office, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, room 3–122, P.O. Box 50088, Honolulu, Hawaii 96850. Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Henson, at the above address, phone 808–541–3441, facsimile 808–541–3470.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

On June 1, 2000, the Service published a proposed rule to list three plants from the Mariana Islands and Guam as endangered species, pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act) in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 35025). The original comment period closed on July 17, 2000. The comment period now closes on November 29, 2000. Written comments should be submitted to the Service (see **ADDRESSES** section).

Nesogenes rotensis and *Osmoxylon marianense* are found only on the island of Rota, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI).

Tabernaemontana rotensis occurs on both Rota and the United States Territory of Guam. The three plant species and their habitats have been affected or are now threatened by fire, development/road work, typhoons/storms, nonnative plants, and collecting/trampling by humans. This proposal, if made final, would implement the Federal protection and recovery provisions of the Act.

Section 4(b)(5)(E) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), requires that a public hearing be held if it is requested within 45 days of the publication of a proposed rule. In response to a request from a government agency of the CNMI, the Service will hold a public hearing on the date and at the address described in the **DATES** and **ADDRESSES** sections above.

Anyone wishing to make an oral statement for the record is encouraged to provide a written copy of their statement and present it to the Service at the hearing. In the event there is a large attendance, the time allotted for oral statements may be limited. Oral and written statements receive equal consideration. There are no limits to the length of written comments presented at the hearing or mailed to the Service. Legal notices announcing the date, time, and location of the hearing will be published in newspapers concurrently with the **Federal Register** notice.

Comments from the public regarding the accuracy of this proposed rule are sought, especially regarding:

(1) Biological, commercial trade, or other relevant data concerning any threat (or lack thereof) to these species;

(2) The location of any additional populations of these species and reasons why any habitat should or should not be designated as critical habitat;

(3) Additional information on the range, distribution, and population size of these species; and