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Office of Children and Family Services

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Requires Training on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), Focused on Understanding Trauma and on Nurturing Resiliency

I.D. No. CFS-36-20-00003-A
Filing No. 924
Filing Date: 2020-12-22
Effective Date: 2021-01-06

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following action:

Action taken: Amendments of sections 414.14(d), 416.14(f), 417.14(f), 418-1.14(d), 418-2.14(d) of Title 18 NYCRR.

Statutory authority: Social Services Law, sections 20(3)(d), 34(3)(f), 390(2)(d), (2-a), 390-a(3)(b)(x)

Subject: Requires training on adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), focused on understanding trauma and on nurturing resiliency.

Purpose: Requires training on adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), focused on understanding trauma and on nurturing resiliency.

Text or summary was published in the September 9, 2020 issue of the Register, I.D. No. CFS-36-20-00003-P.

Initial review of rule as compared with last published rule: No changes.

Text of rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained from: Frank J. Nuara, Associate Attorney, New York State Office of Children and Family Services, 52 Washington Street, Rensselaer, New York 12144, (518) 474-9778, email: regcomments@ocfs.ny.gov

Assessment of Public Comment

The agency received no public comment.

Initial Review of Rule

As a rule that requires a RFA, RAFA or JIS, this rule will be initially reviewed in the calendar year 2023, which is no later than the 3rd year after the year in which this rule is being adopted.

Assessment of Public Comment

The agency received no public comment.

Department of Economic Development

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Excelsior Linked Deposit Program

I.D. No. EDV-41-20-00014-A
Filing No. 918
Filing Date: 2020-12-21
Effective Date: 2021-01-06

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following action:

Action taken: Amendment of sections 160.1-160.3; addition of section 160.8 to Title 5 NYCRR.

Statutory authority: State Finance Law, art. 15; L. 2011, ch. 60; L. 2012, ch. 58; L. 2013, ch. 59

Subject: Excelsior Linked Deposit Program.

Purpose: Administration of the Excelsior Linked Deposit Program.

Text or summary was published in the October 14, 2020 issue of the Register, I.D. No. EDV-41-20-00014-P.

Initial Review of Rule

As a rule that does not require a RFA, RAFA or JIS, this rule will be initially reviewed in the calendar year 2025, which is no later than the 5th year after the year in which this rule is being adopted.

Assessment of Public Comment

The agency received no public comment.
EMERGENCY/PROPOSED RULE MAKING
NO HEARING(S) SCHEDULED

Addressing the COVID-19 Crisis and Planning for the Reopening of Schools

I.D. No. EDU-01-21-00002-EP
Filing No. 915
Filing Date: 2020-12-17
Effective Date: 2020-12-17

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following action:

Proposed Action: Amendment of sections 30-3.2, 52.21, 125.1, 135.4 of Title 8 NYCRR.

Statutory authority: Education Law, sections 101, 207, 210, 215, 305, 803, 911, 3001, 3004, 3009 and 3012-d

Finding of necessity for emergency rule: Preservation of public health and general welfare.

Specific reasons underlying the finding of necessity: On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, an International Emergency of International Concern. On March 7, 2020, the Governor of New York State declared a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York pursuant to Executive Order 202. Subsequently, the Governor issued additional Executive Orders in response to the COVID-19 crisis, including orders directing the closure of schools for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year and 2020 summer school except for extended school year (EYS) services. In response, the Department adopted emergency regulations at the April, May, June, July, and September 2020 Board of Regents meetings to address numerous issues resulting from the interruptions caused by the COVID-19 crisis. The Governor of New York announced that schools across the State are permitted to open in the fall and required all school districts to submit reopening plans to the Department and the Department of Health. Therefore, to address additional issues resulting from the interruptions caused by the COVID-19 crisis and to prepare for the reopening of schools, it is necessary for the Department to adopt further regulatory amendments. The proposed amendments provide flexibility related to the following:

- Registration of voluntarily registered nursery schools and kindergartens;
- School Building Leader (SBL) programs;
- Annual professional performance reviews (APPR); and
- Coaching evaluations.

Because the Board of Regents meets at scheduled intervals, the earliest the proposed amendment could be presented for regular (nonemergency) adoption, after publication in the State Register and expiration of the 60-day public comment period required in the State Administrative Procedure Act (SAPA) sections 2011(1) and (5), is the April 2021 Regents meeting. However, because the COVID-19 crisis is presently affecting the State of New York, emergency action is necessary for the preservation of public health and the general welfare in order to immediately provide flexibility for certain regulatory requirements in response to the COVID-19 crisis and to prepare for the reopening of schools.

It is anticipated that the proposed rule will be presented for adoption as a permanent rule at the April 2021 Regents meeting, which is the first scheduled meeting after the 60-day public comment period prescribed in SAPA for State agency rule makings. However, since the emergency regulation will expire before the April meeting, it is anticipated that an additional emergency action will be presented for adoption at the March 2021 Regents meeting.

Subject: Addressing the COVID-19 crisis and planning for the reopening of schools.

Purpose: To provide regulatory flexibility due to the COVID-19 crisis and to plan for the reopening of schools.

Text of emergency/proposed rule: 1. Section 125.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended by adding a new subdivision (e) to read as follows:

(e) Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of this section, any voluntarily registered school whose registration expires in the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 school year, and does not receive a required on-site visit from Department staff due to the COVID-19 crisis pursuant to subdivision (d) of this section, shall have such registration extended, subject to revocation for cause, and such registration shall be up for renewal in the 2021-2022 school year.

2. Item (ii) of subclause (c) of subparagraph (i) of paragraph (7) of subdivision (c) of section 135.4 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended to read as follows:

(ii) a professional coaching certificate shall be valid for a three year period, provided that such certificate may be renewed for additional three year periods upon the submission of a fee of $50 together with a renewal application for each successive renewal period, in a form described by the commissioner, which satisfactorily establishes that:

(A) …

(B) the candidate has received a satisfactory evaluation by the principal or athletic director for each of the preceding three years that the candidate coached in the specific sport for which a professional coaching certificate is sought, provided, however, that a candidate who held a temporary coaching certificate for the winter 2019-2020 and/or spring 2020, fall 2020, winter 2020-2021, and/or spring 2021 sports seasons shall not be required to have received an evaluation by the principal or athletic director for the winter 2019-2020 and/or spring 2020 during the applicable sport year.

3. Clauses (a) and (b) of subparagraph (vi) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) of section 52.21 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended to read as follows:

(a) Prior to [December] September 1, 2020, 2022, programs shall require candidates to complete studies sufficient to demonstrate, upon program completion, the knowledge and skills necessary to perform the following:

(b) On or after [December] September 1, 2020, 2022, programs shall require candidates to complete studies sufficient to demonstrate, upon program completion, the knowledge and skills necessary to:

1. The opening paragraphs of paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (a) of section 30-3.2 of the Rules of the Board of Regents is amended to read as follows:

(1) for annual professional performance reviews conducted prior to the [2022-23] 2024-2025 school year, the Educational Leadership Policy Standards: ESLCC 2010 as adopted by the National Policy Board for Educational Administration (Council of Chief State School Officers, Washington DC, One Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20001-1431; available at the Office of Counsel, State Education Department, State Education Building, Room 148, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234), the Leadership Standards provide that an educator leader promotes the success of every student by:

(2) for annual professional performance reviews conducted commencing in the [2022-23] 2024-2025 school year, the Professional Standards for Educational Leaders: PSEL 2015 as adopted by the National Policy Board for Educational Administration (1904 Association Drive, Reston, VA 20191 -- available at the Office of Counsel, State Education Department, State Education Building, Room 148, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234), as modified by the Board of Regents. The New York State Leadership Standards provide that an education leader shall:

This notice is intended: to serve as both a notice of emergency adoption and a notice of proposed rule making. The emergency rule will expire March 16, 2021.

Text of rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained from: Kirti Goswami, NYS Education Department, Office of Counsel, 89 Washington Avenue, Room 148EB, Albany, NY 12234, (518) 474-6400, email: legal@nysed.gov

Data, views or arguments may be submitted to: Julia Patane, NYS Education Department, Office of Counsel, 89 Washington Avenue, Room 148EB, Albany, NY 12234, (518) 474-6400, email: REGCOMMENTS@nysed.gov

Public comment will be received until: 60 days after publication of this notice.

This rule was not under consideration at the time this agency submitted its Regulatory Agenda for publication in the Register.

Regulatory Impact Statement

1. STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Education Law § 101 continues existence of Education Department, with Board of Regents as its head, and authorizes Regents to appoint Commissioner of Education as Department’s Chief Administrative Officer, which charged with general management and supervision of all public schools and educational work of State.

Education Law § 207 empowers Regents and Commissioner to adopt
rules and regulations to carry out State education laws and functions and duties conferred on the Department.

Education Law § 210 conferred by the Regents to students who satisfactorily pass such examinations.

Education Law § 215 empowers the Regents and the Commissioner to visit, examine into and inspect, any institution in the University and any school or institution under the educational supervision of the State and may require reports therefrom giving information as the Regents or the Commissioner prescribe.

Education Law § 300 establishes the general powers and duties of the Commissioner of Education.

Education Law § 803 requires instruction in physical education in all elementary and secondary schools for all pupils above the age of eight.

Education Law § 911 requires the Commissioner to enforce the provisions of law relating to medical and health services to be provided by schools.

Education Law § 3001 prescribes the qualifications of teachers.

Education Law § 3004 directs the Commissioner of Education to prescribe regulations governing the examination and certification of teachers employed in all public schools of the State.

Education Law § 3009 provides that unqualified teachers shall not be paid from school moneys.

Education Law § 3012-d provides for the development and implementation of annual professional performance reviews of teachers and principals.

2. LEGISLATIVE OBJECTIVES:

The proposed amendments are consistent with the above statutory authority and are necessary to address numerous issues resulting from the interruptions caused by the COVID-19 crisis and to prepare for the reopening of schools. The purpose of the proposed amendment is to provide flexibility for particular regulatory requirements in response to the COVID-19 crisis and to prepare for the reopening of schools.

3. NEEDS AND BENEFITS:

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern. On March 7, 2020, the Governor of New York State declared a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York pursuant to Executive Order 202. Subsequently, the Governor issued additional Executive Orders in response to the COVID-19 crisis, including orders directing the closing of schools for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year and 2020 summer school except for extended school year (ESY) services. In response, the Department adopted emergency regulations at the April, May, June, July, and September 2020 Board of Regents meetings to address numerous issues resulting from the interruptions caused by the COVID-19 crisis and to plan for the reopening of schools.

The Department is now proposing to expand the time period during which such candidates are not required to receive an evaluation for professional coaching certification to also include the fall 2020, winter 2020-2021, and/or spring 2021 sports seasons.

o School Building Leader Programs and Annual Professional Performance Reviews (APPR)

At its December 2017 meeting, the Board of Regents approved requiring school building leader (SBL) programs, that are registered or seek registration on or after December 1, 2020, to be aligned with the Professional Standards for Educational Leaders (PSELs), with some modifications. Programs have been aligned with the Interstate School Leaders Licensure Conference (ISLLC) Standards. The Department is proposing to amend section 52.21(c) of the Commissioner’s regulations to extend the date by which SBL programs must be aligned with the new PSELs until September 1, 2022 to provide SBL programs additional time to conform with the new standards due to the COVID-19 crisis.

Additionally, the Department is proposing to make a corresponding amendment to section 30-3.2(1) of the Commissioner’s regulations to provide that the definition of “Leadership standards” for purposes of APPR reviews shall mean the new PSELs for reviews conducted on and after the 2024-2025 school year. This amendment aligns the date by which SBL programs must adopt such standards with the date such standards will be used in conducting APPR reviews.

4. COSTS:

a. Costs to State government: The amendments do not impose any costs on State government.

b. Costs to local government: The amendments do not impose any costs on local government.

c. Costs to private regulated parties: The amendments do not impose any costs on private regulated parties.

d. Cost to the regulatory agency: There are no additional costs to the State Education Department.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATES:

The proposed amendment does not impose any additional program, service, duty or responsibility upon any local government.

6. PAPERWORK:

The proposed amendment does not impose any additional paperwork requirements.

7. DUPLICATION:

The proposed amendment does not duplicate existing State or Federal requirements.

8. ALTERNATIVES:

The proposed amendments are necessary to provide flexibility for certain regulatory requirements in response to the COVID-19 crisis and to plan for the reopening of schools. There are no significant alternatives to the proposed amendments and none were considered.

9. FEDERAL STANDARDS:

There are no applicable Federal standards.

10. COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE:

It is anticipated that regulated parties will be able to comply with the proposed amendment by the effective date.

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

(a) Small businesses:

The proposed rule relates to providing flexibility for certain regulatory requirements in response to the COVID-19 crisis. The proposed amendments do not impose any adverse economic impact, reporting, recordkeeping or any other compliance requirements on small businesses. Because it is evident from the nature of the proposed amendments that they do not affect small businesses, no further measures were needed to ascertain that fact, and none were taken. Accordingly, a regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses is not required and one has not been prepared.

(b) Local governments:

1. EFFECT OF RULE:

The purpose of the proposed amendments is to provide flexibility for certain regulatory requirements in response to the COVID-19 crisis. The proposed amendments apply to each of the 695 public school districts in the State.

2. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS:

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern. On March 7, 2020, the Governor of New York State declared a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York pursuant to Executive Order 202. Subsequently, the Governor issued additional Executive Orders in response to the COVID-19 crisis, including orders directing the closure of schools for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year and 2020 summer school except for extended school year (ESY) services. In response, the Department adopted emergency regulations at the April, May, June, July, and September 2020 Board of Regents meetings to address numerous issues resulting from the interruptions caused by the COVID-19 crisis. The Department is now proposing to expand the time period during which such candidates are not required to receive an evaluation for professional coaching certification to also include the fall 2020, winter 2020-2021, and/or spring 2021 sports seasons.


• Coaching evaluations.

3. PROFESSOREAL SERVICES:
The proposed amendment does not impose any additional professional services requirements on local governments.

4. COMPLIANCE COSTS:
The proposed amendment would not impose any additional program, service, duty, responsibility or costs beyond those imposed by statute.

5. ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL FEASIBILITY:
The proposed rule does not impose any additional costs or technological requirements on local governments.

6. MINIMIZING AVERSE IMPACT:
The proposed amendments are necessary to provide flexibility for certain regulatory requirements in response to the COVID-19 crisis. Accordingly, no alternatives were considered.

7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION:
Comments on the proposed rule were solicited from school districts through the offices of the district superintendents of each supervisory district in the State and from the chief school officers of the five big city school districts.

Rural Area Flexibility Analysis

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, a pandemic as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern. On March 7, 2020, the Governor of New York State declared a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York pursuant to Executive Order 202. Subsequently, the Governor issued additional Executive Orders in response to the COVID-19 crisis, including orders directing the closure of schools for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year and 2020 summer school except for extended school year (ESY) services. In response, the Department adopted emergency regulations at the April, May, June, July, and September 2020 Board of Regents meetings to address numerous issues resulting from the interruptions caused by the COVID-19 crisis. The Governor of New York announced that schools across the State are permitted to open in the fall and required all school districts to submit reopening plans to the Department and the Department of Health. To address additional issues resulting from the interruptions caused by the COVID-19 crisis, the Department is proposing further emergency regulatory amendments providing flexibility related to the following:

• Registration of voluntarily registered nursery schools and kindergartens;

• School Building Leader (SBL) programs;

• Annual professional performance reviews (APPR); and

• Coaching evaluations.

The proposed amendment provides flexibility for certain regulatory requirements during the COVID-19 crisis and plans for the reopening of schools. Thus, the proposed amendment does not adversely impact entities in rural areas of New York State. Accordingly, no further steps were needed to ascertain the impact of the proposed amendment on entities in rural areas and none were taken. Thus, a rural flexibility analysis is not required and one has not been prepared.

Job Impact Statement

The purpose of the proposed amendments is to provide flexibility for certain regulatory requirements in response to the COVID-19 crisis and to plan for the reopening of schools. The proposed amendment provides flexibility related to the following:

• Registration of voluntarily registered nursery schools and kindergartens;

• School Building Leader (SBL) programs;

• Annual professional performance reviews (APPR); and

• Coaching evaluations.

Because it is evident from the nature of the proposed amendment that it will have no impact on the number of jobs or employment opportunities in New York State, no further steps were needed to ascertain that fact and none were taken.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Creating a Transitional J Certificate for Military Spouses
L.D. No. EDU-30-20-00002-A
Filing No. 914
Filing Date: 2020-12-17
Effective Date: 2021-01-06

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following action:

Action taken: Addition of section 80-5.28 to Title 8 NYCRR.
Statutory authority: Education Law, sections 207, 305, 3001, 3003, 3004 and 3009

Subject: Creating a Transitional J Certificate for Military Spouses.
Purpose: To create a Transitional J certificate for spouses of individuals on full-time active duty with the Armed Forces.

Text or summary was published in the July 29, 2020 issue of the Register, I.D. No. EDU-30-20-00002-P.

Final rule as compared with last published rule: No changes.

Text of rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained from:
Kirti Goswami, NYS Education Department, Office of Counsel, 89 Washington Avenue, Room 112EB, Albany, NY 12234, (518) 474-6400, email: legal@nysed.gov

Initial Review of Rule

As a rule that requires a RFA, RAFA or JIS, this rule will be initially reviewed in the calendar year 2023, which is no later than the 3rd year after the year in which this rule is being adopted.

Assessment of Public Comment
The agency received no public comment.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Creating Safety Nets for the Arts Content Specialty Tests (CSTs)
L.D. No. EDU-30-20-00003-A
Filing No. 913
Filing Date: 2020-12-17
Effective Date: 2021-01-06

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following action:

Action taken: Amendment of section 80-1.5(c) of Title 8 NYCRR.
Statutory authority: Education Law, sections 207, 305, 3001, 3003, 3004 and 3009

Subject: Creating Safety Nets for the Arts Content Specialty Tests (CSTs).
Purpose: To create a safety net for the Arts Content Specialty Tests (CSTs).

Text or summary was published in the July 29, 2020 issue of the Register, I.D. No. EDU-30-20-00003-P.

Final rule as compared with last published rule: No changes.

Text of rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained from:
Kirti Goswami, NYS Education Department, Office of Counsel, 89 Washington Avenue, Room 112EB, Albany, NY 12234, (518) 474-6400, email: legal@nysed.gov

Initial Review of Rule

As a rule that requires a RFA, RAFA or JIS, this rule will be initially reviewed in the calendar year 2023, which is no later than the 3rd year after the year in which this rule is being adopted.

Assessment of Public Comment
The agency received no public comment.

REVISED RULE MAKING

NO HEARING(S) SCHEDULED

Special Education Impartial Hearing Officers and the Special Education Due Process System Procedures
L.D. No. EDU-11-20-00013-RP

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following revised rule:

Proposed Action: Amendment of sections 200.1, 200.5 of Title 8 NYCRR.
Statutory authority: Education Law, sections 101, 207, 305, 3214, 4403, 4404 and 4410

Subject: Special Education Impartial Hearing Officers and the Special Education Due Process System Procedures.
Purpose: To address volume of special education due process complaints in the New York City due process system.

Text of revised rule: 1. Paragraph (1) of subdivision (x) of section 200.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended to read as follows:

(1) be an individual admitted to the practice of law [in the State of New York] who is currently in good standing and who has a minimum of [two years] one year of practice and/or experience in the areas of education, special education, disability rights [or], civil rights or administrative law; or be an individual certified by the State of New York as an impartial hearing officer on September 1, 2001;
2. Paragraph (2) of subdivision (j) of section 200.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended to read as follows:

(2) Each public school, public agency [and], approved private school, and impartial hearing officer subject to the provisions of this Part shall preserve the confidentiality of personally identifiable data, information or records pertaining to students with disabilities. Such confidentiality must be preserved in a manner consistent with the procedures adopted pursuant to section 200.2(b)(6) of this Part and/or in accordance with 20 USC § 1223(g) and the provisions of part 99 of title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations or its successor and sections 300.610 through 300.625. (United States Code, 2006 edition, volume 12, 2008; Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Stop SSOP, Washington, DC 20402-9328; 2004; Code of Federal Regulations, 2009 edition, title 34, part 2, Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Stop SSOP, Washington, DC 20402-0001; Code of Federal Regulations, 2009 edition, title 34, sections 300.610-300.625. Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402-0001). The Department revised the proposed amendment to section 200.5(j)(3) of the Regulations of the Commissioner to reflect that, in accordance with 34 CFR § 300.515(d) and section 200.5(j)(x) of the Regulations of the Commissioner, only the parent need consent to hold a hearing by video or teleconference. Further, such amendment was revised to clarify that such consent may be obtained at a pre-hearing conference, rather than the pre-hearing conference, as pre-hearing conferences are not required.

5. The opening paragraph of paragraph (5) of subdivision (j) of section 200.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended to read as follows:

(5) To render a decision. Except as provided in section 200.16(h)(9) of this Part and section 201.11 of this Title, if a school district files the due process complaint, the impartial hearing officer shall render a decision and mail a copy of the written or, at the option of the parties, electronic findings of fact and decision to the parties and to the board of education not later than 45 days from the day after the public agency’s due process complaint is received by the other party and the State Education Department. Except as provided in section 200.16(h)(9) of this Part and section 201.11 of this Title, if the parent files the due process complaint notice, the decision is due not later than 45 days from the day after one of the following events, whichever shall occur first:

(1) both parties agree in writing to waive the resolution meeting; (b) after either the mediation or resolution meeting starts but before the end of the 30-day period, the parties agree in writing that no agreement is possible; (c) if both parties agree in writing to continue the mediation at the end of the 30-day resolution period, but later, the parent or public agency withdraws from the mediation process; or (d) the expiration of the 30-day resolution period.

In cases where extensions of time have been granted beyond the applicable required timelines, the decision must be rendered and mailed no later than 14 days from the date the impartial hearing officer closes the record. The date the record is closed shall be indicated in the decision. Whether the parent or school district filed the due process complaint, the impartial hearing officer shall render a decision in a format consistent with State Education Department guidelines wherein all personally identifiable data, information or records pertaining to students with disabilities shall be subject to the requirements of section 200.5(e)(2) of this Part. After a final decision has been rendered, the impartial hearing officer shall promptly transmit the record to the school district together with a certification of the materials included in the record. The record of the hearing and the findings of fact and the decision shall be provided at no cost to the parties, the impartial hearing officer shall submit the decision to the Office of Special Education of the State Education Department. All personally identifiable information, in accordance with the guidelines provided by the commissioner, shall be deleted from the copy forwarded to the Office of Special Education.

Revised rule making(s) were previously published in the State Register on July 29, 2020.

Revised rule compared with proposed rule: Substantial revisions were made in sections 200.1 and 200.5(j)(3).
NYSED is proposing certain regulatory changes to expand the pool of IHO applicants in New York City and to clarify certain IHO duties and responsibilities. Many of these additional changes were listed in the January 2020 Regents item as possible amendments to address deficiencies in the hearing process that might help alleviate some of the pressure on the New York City Department of Education’s special education due process system.

Expanding the Pool of Potential IHO Applicants in New York City

In accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), all IHOs must be held to a standard of appropriate legal practice when presiding over and rendering decisions in special education due process hearings. However, as discussed at the January 2020 Board of Regents meeting, New York State’s current requirements for IHOs far exceed those required by IDEA to address the unprecedented number of open special education due process complaints in New York City.

1) Widening the Pool of Attorney IHO Candidates to Become IHOs:

NYSED proposes to amend section 200.1(x) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education to remove the restriction that all IHO attorney candidates be licensed in New York State, thereby providing for the certification of qualified candidates from neighboring states. These candidates must be in good standing in their licensed state. The amendment would further expand the areas of relevant law practice and experience for attorney candidates to better align with the requirements of IDEA by eliminating reference to civil rights law and more appropriately including references to include experience in administrative law. The proposed amendment would also reduce the number of years of experience and/or practice for attorney candidates from two years to one year. While these proposed changes may widen the pool of applicant IHOs, it is important to note that when seeking a new cohort of IHOs for certification, NYSED seeks resumes, an extensive application, a writing sample, and three references, as well as conducting interviews of candidates, before inviting the applicant to attend a rigorous five-day training program. In other words, IHO candidates are rigorously vetted.

Privacy:

1) IHOs must maintain student confidentiality:

NYSED proposes to amend section 200.5(e) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education to add IHOs to this section listing out who is required to maintain confidentiality of students’ personally identifiable information.

2) IHOs must render decisions in a consistent format:

Additionally, and in accordance with section 200.5(e), NYSED proposes to amend section 200.5(j) requiring IHOs to render decisions in a format consistent with NYSED guidelines that comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). This requirement will eliminate the need for local educational agencies or NYSED to have to redact decisions so that they comply with FERPA before making the decisions publicly available as required by IDEA.

Use of Video Conference:

1) IHOs may receive testimony by video conference:

The regulations currently allow IHOs to receive testimony by telephone. NYSED proposes amending section 200.5(j)(3)(xii)(c) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education to allow IHOs to receive testimony via videoconference to better accommodate needed witnesses, provided that such testimony shall be made under oath and shall be subject to cross-examination.

2) IHOs may conduct hearings by teleconference or video conference:

To address concerns of the more than 10,000 due process cases in New York City, NYSED proposes to add clause (h) to section 200.5(j)(3)(xii) to allow an IHO to conduct hearings by teleconference or video conference with the consent of parties so long as all personally identifiable data, information, or records pertaining to students with disabilities during such hearing is subject to section 200.5(e), pertaining to privacy, described above.

4. COSTS:

(a) Costs to State government: There are no additional costs to State government beyond those inherent in statute.

(b) Costs to local government: There are no additional costs to local government beyond those inherent in statute.

(c) Cost to private regulated parties: There are no additional costs to private regulated parties.

(d) Cost to the regulatory agency: There are no additional costs to the State Education Department.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATES:

The proposed amendment expands the pool of IHO applicants in New York City and clarifies certain IHO duties and responsibilities and does not impose any program, service, duty or responsibility upon any county, city, town, village, school district, fire district or other special district.

6. PAPERWORK:

The proposed amendment does not impose any reporting or other paperwork requirements.

7. DUPLICATION:

The proposed amendment does not duplicate any other existing State or federal requirements.

8. ALTERNATIVES:

The proposed amendment is necessary to address the deficiencies in the impartial hearing process and clarifying certain IHO duties and responsibilities. There were no significant alternatives and none were considered.

9. FEDERAL STANDARDS:

There are no applicable Federal standards.

10. COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE:

It is anticipated that the revised proposed amendment will be presented for permanent adoption at the March 2021 Regents meeting, after publication of the revised proposed amendment in the State Register and expiration of the 45-day public comment period required under the State Administrative Procedure Act for revised rulemaking. If adopted at the March 2021 meeting, the revised proposed rule will become effective on March 31, 2021.

Revised Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Since publication of Notice of Revised Rule Making was published in the State Register on July 29, 2020, substantial revisions were made to the proposed rule. The Department revised the proposed amendment to section 200.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner to remove the provision allowing for the certification of non-attorney IHOs in New York City. Additionally, the Department revised the proposed amendment to section 200.5(j)(3)(xii) of the Regulations of the Commissioner to reflect that, in accordance with the Federal Rulemaking Act, NYSED’s proposed amendment to the Regulations of the Commissioner, only the parent need consent to hold a hearing by video or teleconference. Further, such amendment was revised to clarify that such consent may be held at a pre-hearing conference, rather than the pre-hearing conference, as pre-hearing conferences are not required.

These substantial revisions do not require any changes to the previously published Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government.

Revised Rural Area Flexibility Analysis

Since publication of a Notice of Revised Rule Making in the State Register on July 29, 2020, substantial revisions were made to the proposed rule. The department revised the proposed amendment to section 200.1 of the Regulations of the Commissioner to remove the provision allowing for the certification of non-attorney IHOs in New York City. Additionally, the Department revised the proposed amendment to section 200.5(j)(3)(xii) of the Regulations of the Commissioner to reflect that, in accordance with 34 CFR § 300.515(d) and section 200.5(j)(x) of the Regulations of the Commissioner, only the parent need consent to hold a hearing by video or teleconference. Further, such amendment was revised to clarify that such consent may be held at a pre-hearing conference, rather than the pre-hearing conference, as pre-hearing conferences are not required.

1. TYPES AND ESTIMATED NUMBER OF RURAL AREAS:

The proposed amendments apply to certification of impartial hearing officers (IHOs) who conduct special education impartial hearings where the district or a parent initiates a due process complaint at any public school located in New York State, including those located in the 44 rural counties with less than 200,000 inhabitants and the 71 towns in urban counties with a population density of 150 per square mile or less.

2. REPORTING, RECORDKEEPING AND OTHER COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS; AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

The proposed amendment does not impose any additional compliance requirements or professional services requirements on entities in rural areas.

The proposed amendments would: (1) expand the pool of potential impartial hearing officer (IHO) applicants in New York City by removing the restriction that all IHO attorney candidates be licensed in New York; (2) ensure that IHOs maintain student confidentiality of students’ personally identifiable information and render decisions in a format consistent with NYSED guidelines that comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; and (3) permit IHOs to receive testimony by video conference and to conduct hearings by video conference or teleconference.

3. COMPLIANCE COSTS:

The proposed amendment does not impose any additional costs on entities in rural areas.

4. MINIMIZING ADVERSE IMPACT:

The proposed amendment is necessary to address the unprecedented volume of special education due process complaints in the New York City due process system by expanding the pool of IHO applicants in New York City. The proposed amendment is also necessary to clarify certain IHO duties and responsibilities. Therefore, no alternatives were considered for those located in rural areas.

5. RURAL AREA PARTICIPATION:

Three public hearings were conducted to obtain comment on the
proposed amendments. In addition, the proposed amendment was submitted for indication to school districts through the offices of the district superintendents of each supervisory district in the State including those in rural areas.

**Revised Job Impact Statement**

The proposed rule expands the pool of impartial hearing officer (IHO) applicants to hear special education due process complaints filed in New York City and clarifies certain IHO duties and responsibilities. The proposed amendment will not have a substantial impact on jobs and employment opportunities. Because it is evident from the nature of the proposed amendment that it will have no impact on jobs or employment opportunities attributable to its adoption or only a positive impact, no affirmative steps were needed to ascertain these facts and none were taken. Accordingly, a job impact statement is not required and one has not been prepared.

**Assessment of Public Comment**

Since publication of a Notice of Revised Rule Making in the State Register on July 29, 2020, the State Education Department (SED) or the Department) received the following comments:

- Allowing for Certification of Non-Attorney Impartial Hearing Officers (IHO) in New York City (NYC)

  **1. COMMENT:**

  Numerous commenters opposed certification and use of non-attorney IHOs indicating that:
  - Non-attorneys do not have training or expertise required to conduct research and effectively understand, interpret, and apply federal and State law to cases, run a hearing in accordance with standard legal practice and tackle complex legal issues, will not be able to interpret the legislative intent of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and analyze complex body of law; do not have requisite knowledge and skills to adjudicate special education claim;
  - Necessary skills cannot be learned in a brief "turn-key" training;
  - Difficult to ascertain how a typical layperson who has not completed law school would be able to fulfill the mandates of 20 U.S.C. § 1415(f)(3)(A)(i)-(iv) which requires knowledge and ability to understand federal and State regulation, legal interpretations and court decisions regarding IDEA, conduct hearings and possess knowledge and render and write decisions in accordance with appropriate, standard legal practice;
  - IDEA also requires an understanding of federal and State law, rules of evidence and how to apply applicable case law; non-lawyers cannot meet these requirements;
  - IDEA uses the term "standard legal practice" requirement; non-lawyers cannot meet IDEA requirements;
  - Due to legal complexity, attorneys are required to adjudicate special education due process hearings to ensure that legal procedures are properly followed, and the law is correctly applied;
  - Someone with experience interpreting law must be the person who is ruling at hearings;
  - Decision will result in IHOs who do not have the requisite knowledge and skills to adjudicate special education claims;
  - Background in psychology, special education, or education administration may be qualification for service as a school psychologist, special education teacher or administrative staff; however, psychology and education experience are not per se qualifications for service as an administrative law judge;
  - No one would presume that a lawyer could step into the role of a clinician or educator, why is the reverse acceptable;
  - Cases heard by non-attorney IHOs could contribute to increased appeals to a State Review Officer and federal court;
  - Assigning non-attorney IHOs exclusively to NYC is indefensible;
  - Proposal will prolong the already lengthy road to resolution; parents of students with disabilities have already suffered due to delays at the Office of State Review;
  - Other State agencies find well-qualified attorneys to serve as hearing officers in their administrative tribunals, SED should be able to also;
  - Proposal is disparate compared to the rest of the State which would have IHOs that are attorneys;
  - Proposal would mean in students and litigants in NYC having IHOs who are less qualified than IHOs hearing cases in the rest of New York State (NYS);
  - This is a change in SED’s position from 2001 when it stated that it had concerns that non-attorneys did not have the requisite skills and expertise; hearings are even more complex than in 2001;
  - NYS abandoned using non-attorneys in 2001, SED is reversing a well-grounded policy that NYSED put in place more than 20 years ago without justification;
  - Change would be inconsistent with nationwide trend (42 states require attorney IHOs);
  - Bringing back a failed policy as a solution to a problem in NYC is a disservice to parents and vulnerable children;
  - Negative effects of certifying non-attorney IHOs will disproportionately impact low-income families and communities of color;
  - Proposal creates a two-tiered system of educational justice and will result in de facto racial segregation and educational inequality;
  - Proposal invites significant bias into the impartial hearing process;
  - COVID-19 demonstrates that hearings can be held remotely, there is no need to establish watered-down qualifications;
  - Courts give deference to IHO decisions, this will dilute the nature of the process;
  - Pro-se parents would be reliant on IHOs to guide them through the legal processes;
  - Non-lawyers are not bound by the rules of professional conduct; and
  - Non-lawyers are not subject to continuing legal education.

  **DEPARTMENT RESPONSE:**

  The Department has considered the multitudinous comments received regarding the proposal to certify non-attorneys as IHOs in NYC and determined, after much forethought, to revise its proposed amendment and remove this provision.

  **2. COMMENT:**

  Dismayed that SED has failed to respond to overwhelming public comment in opposition to the proposed regulation permitting non-attorneys to serve as IHOs. The response SED published in the July 29, 2020 NYS Register merely stated that the “Department is currently reviewing these comments.”

  **DEPARTMENT RESPONSE:**

  See response to Comment 1. The Department has determined that it will withdraw its proposal to have non-attorneys certified to become IHOs in NYC.

  **3. COMMENT:**

  Disagree that the State and NYC must take urgent action and appreciate SED’s recognition of the need to address the delays in impartial hearings; however, SED must still have IHOs that are attorneys so that law is correctly applied.

  **DEPARTMENT RESPONSE:**

  See response to Comment 1. The Department has determined that it will withdraw its proposal to have non-attorneys certified to become IHOs in NYC.

  **4. COMMENT:**

  Any system wherein non-attorney IHOs are assigned “simpler” cases or work that the same or higher standard as attorney IHOs is problematic. A system where non-attorney IHOs handle certain cases would violate the rotation system requirements.

  **DEPARTMENT RESPONSE:**

  See response to Comment 1. The Department has determined that it will withdraw its proposal to have non-attorneys certified to become IHOs in NYC.

  **5. COMMENT:**

  Proposal does not address inadequate compensation of IHOs. Problem with system is that IHOs have to get paid better.

  **DEPARTMENT RESPONSE:**

  Comments regarding NYC IHO Compensation policy are beyond scope of rule.

  **6. COMMENT:**

  Backlog does not justify resorting to non-attorney IHOs. Returning to already failed policy does not address underlying causes of problems. Proposal to allow certification of non-attorneys does not address the problem at its source – the New York City Department of Education’s (DOE) wide-spread inability to provide appropriate evaluations, individualized education programs, services and placements to all children with disabilities. SED should explore other solutions. Suggest adding impartial personnel to facilitate meaningful resolution periods, resolve cases where the DOE has no defense; pay for the parents’ provider where the DOE has failed to find one; get DOE to timely complete its investigations. Endorse radical change throughout the system to streamline the process and cut down on the number of cases every year. Compliance assurance plan has done nothing as NYS continues to fail to repair the broken educational system.

  **DEPARTMENT RESPONSE:**

  See response to Comment 1. The Department has determined that it will withdraw its proposal to have non-attorneys certified to become IHOs in NYC. The Comprehensive Compliance Assurance Plan addresses numerous systemic failures by NYCDOE pertaining to its implementation of IDEA. The Department agrees that all possible solutions must be explored to reduce the excessive volume of special education due process complaints filed in NYC.

  **7. COMMENT:**

  Proposed amendment was driven by need to expand the pool of certified IHOs. There are better ways to work through the backlog of cases including certifying more attorney IHOs. SED has certified 35 new IHOs who are attorneys and just needs to use more aggressive recruitment efforts. Use attorneys from all over the world. Include entire country because telephone and video are now allowed.
DEPARTMENT RESPONSE:
The Department’s proposed regulations include allowing attorneys from other states to become certified IHOs, and the Department has begun to train attorneys from other states. The Department agrees with the comment that the use of video and telephonic hearings, in combination with certified attorneys employed in this State, should help to expand the pool of IHOs who may conduct hearings in NYC.

Use of Video Conference to Receive Testimony and Conduct Hearings
8. COMMENT:
Many commenters generally support the use of video conferencing technology in impartial hearings. Videoconferencing could alleviate travel burden for families, lessen space constraints, and allow for scheduling of more meetings in a day. Many commenters also supported the addition of telephonic hearings and pointed out that having been run successfully in NYC in this manner during COVID-19 shut-downs.

DEPARTMENT RESPONSE:
Comments supportive; therefore, no response needed.

9. COMMENT:
The proposed amendment to section 200.5(j)(3)(xii) of the Regulations of the Commissioner which requires both parties to consent to a video or telephonic hearing a minimum of 10 days before the scheduled hearing date will present problems because the NYCDOE often does not respond to emails or communicate before the day of the scheduled hearing. This requirement gives school districts veto power to allowing hearings to take place by video or telephone. Requiring the consent of the parent only is consistent with 8 NYCRR § 200.5(j)(3)(x) which requires that the hearing be conducted at a place convenient to the parent and student. Requiring both parties to consent to a hearing by video or telephone violates 34 CFR § 300.515(d) which states that oral arguments must take place at a time and place that is reasonably convenient to the parents and child.

DEPARTMENT RESPONSE:
In consideration of several comments received and in conformance with 34 CFR § 300.515(d) and section 200.5(j)(3)(x) of the Regulations of the Commissioner, the Department has revised section 200.5(j)(3)(xii) to reflect that only the parent need to consent to the use of telephonic or video hearings ten days before the hearing.

REVISED RULE MAKING

Creating a Safety Net for the School Building Leader Assessment

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following revised rule:

Proposed Action: Amendment of section 80-1.5(c)(2)(vii) to extend the deadline for the School Building Leader Assessment safety net. This revision allows candidates to be held harmless during the transition period from the 2013 SBL Assessment to the 2019 SBL Assessment, from the date the 2019 SBL Assessment becomes operational until August 31, 2024. Candidates would be able to take Part One of either the 2019 SBL Assessment or the 2013 SBL Assessment and take Part Two of either the 2019 SBL Assessment or the 2013 SBL Assessment, until August 31, 2024.

1. STATUTORY AUTHORITY:
Education Law 101 (not subdivided) charges the Department with the general management and supervision of all public schools and all of the educational work of the state.

Education Law 207 (not subdivided) grants general rule-making authority to the Regents to carry into effect State educational laws and policies.

Education Law 3001 establishes the qualifications of teachers in the classroom.

Education Law 3003 authorizes the Commissioner to issue permanent certificates to school superintendents.

Education Law 3004(1) authorizes the Commissioner to promulgate regulations governing the certification requirements for teachers employed in public schools.

Education Law 3009 prohibits school districts from paying the salary of an unqualified teacher.

2. LEGISLATIVE OBJECTIVES:
The Department is proposing to create a safety net for the two-part School Building Leader Assessment that would become effective when the 2019 SBL Assessment becomes operational. When available, a candidate would be able to take Part One of either the 2019 SBL Assessment or the 2013 SBL Assessment and take Part Two of either the 2019 SBL Assessment or the 2013 SBL Assessment, until August 31, 2024.

The proposed safety net allows candidates to be held harmless during the transition period from the 2013 SBL Assessment to the 2019 SBL Assessment, from the date the 2019 SBL Assessment becomes operational until August 31, 2024.

3. NEEDS AND BENEFITS:
At its December 2017 meeting, the Board of Regents approved requiring school building leader preparation programs, that are registered or seek registration on or after December 1, 2020, to be aligned with the Professional Standards for Educational Leaders (PSELs), with some modifications. Programs have been aligned with the Interstate School Leaders Licensure Consortium (ISLLC) Standards. As such, the current Revised (September 2013) School Building Leader Assessment (“2013 SBL Assessment”) for certification is based on the ISLLC Standards. The approval of the PSELs prompted the Department to redevelop the 2013 SBL Assessment. Through the test redevelopment process, the test framework and items were redeveloped to ensure that candidates for school building leader certification can demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and abilities reflected in the PSELs.

It is anticipated the Revised (May 2019) School Building Leader Assessment (“2019 SBL Assessment”) will become operational in April 2021. The assessment framework was revised in May 2019 and was made available online for candidates and school building leader preparation programs to assist in the preparation of candidates for the redeveloped assessment.

4. COSTS:
   a. Costs to State government: The amendment does not impose any costs on State government, including the State Education Department.
   b. Costs to local government: The amendment does not impose any costs on local government.
   c. Costs to private regulated parties: The amendment does not impose any costs on private regulated parties.
   d. Costs to regulating agency for implementation and continued administration: See above.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATES:
The proposed amendment does not impose any additional program, service, duty or responsibility upon any local government.

6. PAPERWORK:
The proposed amendment does not impose any additional paperwork requirements.

7. DUPLICATION:
The proposed amendment does not duplicate existing State or Federal requirements.

8. ALTERNATIVES:
Because the State believes that uniform certification standards are required across the State, no alternatives were considered.

9. FEDERAL STANDARDS:
There are no applicable Federal standards.

10. COMPLIANCE SCHEDULE:
Following the 45-day public comment period required under the State Administrative Procedure Act for revised rule makings, it is anticipated that the proposed amendment will be presented to the Board of Regents for adoption at its March 2021 meeting. If adopted at the March 2021 meeting, the proposed amendment will become effective on March 31, 2021.

Revised Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

The purpose of the proposed amendment to Section 80-1.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is to create a safety net for the two-part School Building Leader Assessment that would become effective when the 2019 SBL Assessment becomes operational. When available, a candidate would be able to take Part One of either the 2019 SBL Assessment or the 2013 SBL Assessment and take Part Two of either the 2019 SBL Assessment or the 2013 SBL Assessment, until August 31, 2024.

The proposed safety net allows candidates to be held harmless during the transition period from the 2013 SBL Assessment to the 2019 SBL Assessment, from the date the 2019 SBL Assessment becomes operational until August 31, 2024.

At its December 2017 meeting, the Board of Regents approved requiring school building leader preparation programs, that are registered or seek registration on or after December 1, 2019, to be aligned with the Professional Standards for Educational Leaders (PSELs), with some modifications. Programs have been aligned with the Interstate School Leaders Licensure Consortium (ISLLC) Standards. As such, the current Revised (September 2013) School Building Leader Assessment ("2013 SBL Assessment") for certification is based on the ISLLC Standards.

The approval of the PSELs prompted the Department to redevelop the 2013 SBL Assessment. Through the test redevelopment process, the test framework and items were redeveloped to ensure that candidates for school building leader certification can demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and abilities reflected in the PSELs.

It is anticipated that the Revised (May 2019) School Building Leader Assessment ("2019 SBL Assessment") will become operational in April 2021. The assessment framework was revised in May 2019 and was made available online for candidates and school building leader preparation programs to assist in the preparation of candidates for the redeveloped assessment.

The amendment does not impose any new recordkeeping or other compliance requirements and will not have an adverse economic impact on small businesses or local governments. Because it is evident from the nature of the proposed amendment that it does not affect small businesses or local governments, no further steps were needed to ascertain that fact and none were taken. Accordingly, a regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses is not required and one has not been prepared.

Revised Rural Area Flexibility Analysis

Since publication of a Notice of Proposed Rule Making in the State Register on July 29, 2020, substantial revisions were made to the proposed rule. The Department revised the proposed amendments to section 80-1.5 cc(2)(vii) to extend the deadline for the School Building Leader Assessment safety net candidate and school building leader preparation programs to assist in the preparation of candidates for the redeveloped assessment.

The amendment does not impose any new recordkeeping or other compliance requirements and will not have an adverse economic impact on small businesses or local governments. Because it is evident from the nature of the proposed amendment that it does not affect small businesses or local governments, no further steps were needed to ascertain that fact and none were taken. Accordingly, a regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses is not required and one has not been prepared.

1. TYPES AND ESTIMATED NUMBERS OF RURAL AREAS:
This proposed amendment applies to all candidates of the School Building Leader (SBL) Assessment, including those located in the 44 rural counties with a population of 200,000 inhabitants and the 71 towns and urban counties with a population density of 150 square miles or less.

2. REPORTING, RECORDKEEPING, AND OTHER COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS; AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:
The purpose of the proposed amendment to Section 80-1.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is to create a safety net for the two-part School Building Leader Assessment that would become effective when the 2019 SBL Assessment becomes operational. When available, a candidate would be able to take Part One of either the 2019 SBL Assessment or the 2013 SBL Assessment and take Part Two of either the 2019 SBL Assessment or the 2013 SBL Assessment, until August 31, 2024.

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It is anticipated that the Revised (May 2019) School Building Leader Assessment ("2019 SBL Assessment") will become operational in April 2021. The assessment framework was revised in May 2019 and was made available online for candidates and school building leader preparation programs to assist in the preparation of candidates for the redeveloped assessment.

The proposed amendment does not impose any costs on SBL Assessment candidates and/or the New York State school districts/BOCES who wish to hire them.

4. MINIMIZING ADVERSE IMPACT:
The Department believes that uniform standards for certification must be established across the State. Therefore, no alternatives were considered for those located in rural areas of the State.

5. RURAL AREA PARTICIPATION:
The proposed regulation will have a 45-day public comment period for revised rule makings.

Revised Job Impact Statement

The purpose of the proposed amendment to Section 80-1.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is to create a safety net for the two-part School Building Leader Assessment that would become effective when the 2019 SBL Assessment becomes operational. When available, a candidate would be able to take Part One of either the 2019 SBL Assessment or the 2013 SBL Assessment and take Part Two of either the 2019 SBL Assessment or the 2013 SBL Assessment, until August 31, 2024.

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Because it is evident from the nature of the proposed amendment that it will have no impact on the number of jobs or employment opportunities in New York State, no further steps were needed to ascertain that fact and none were taken.

Assessment of Public Comment
The agency received no public comment.

Department of Environmental Conservation

PROPOSED RULE MAKING
NO HEARING(S) SCHEDULED

Regulations Governing Recreational Fishing for Striped Bass
I.D. No. ENV-01-21-00003-P

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following proposed rule:
**Proposed Action:** Amendment of Parts 10, 19 and 40 of Title 6 NYCCR.

**Statutory authority:** Environmental Conservation Law, sections 11-0303, 11-1521, 13-0105, 13-0329 and 13-0347.

**Subject:** Regulations governing recreational fishing for striped bass.

**Purpose:** To require circle hooks when fishing recreationally for striped bass using bait.

**Text of proposed rule:** Part 10 of 6 NYCCR is amended to read as follows:

A new paragraph 10.1(c)(9) is added to read as follows:

9. ‘Non-offset circle hook’ means a fishing hook designed and manufactured so that the point and barb of the hook are not offset from the plane of the shank and bend, and the point is turned perpendicularly back towards the shank to form a circular or oval shape.

Part 40 of 6 NYCCR is amended to read as follows:

New paragraphs 40.1(a)(11) and (12) are added to read as follows:

11. ‘Natural bait’ means all baits which entice or might be ingested or swallowed by fish or fish-like organisms, fish, dead or alive, fish eggs, worms, shellfish, crustacea, amphibians (salamanders, frogs and toads), insects (including all stages of development as larvae, pupae, etc.), pork rinds, liver, meat, corn or other vegetable matter, tapioca, candy, cheese, bread and putty or dough-like scented baits.

12. ‘Non-offset circle hook’ means a fishing hook designed and manufactured so that the point and barb of the hook are not offset from the plane of the shank and bend, and the point is turned perpendicularly back towards the shank to form a circular or oval shape.

A new subparagraph 40.1(g)(2)(i) is added to read as follows:

(i) Recreational anglers are required to use a non-offset circle hook when fishing for striped bass with any natural bait. Striped bass caught on any other type of hook baited with natural bait must be returned to the water immediately without unnecessary injury.

**Text of proposed rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained from:** Carol Hoffinan, Department of Environmental Conservation, Marine Resources, 205 N. Belle Mead Rd., Suite 1, East Setauket, NY 11733, (631) 444-0476, email: carol.hoffinan@dec.ny.gov.

**Data, views or arguments may be submitted to:** Same as above.

**Public comment will be received until:** 60 days after publication of this notice.

**Additional matter required by statute:** DEC has determined the Notice of Proposed Rule Making is an unlisted action pursuant to Article 8 of the ECL. A New York State Coastal Assessment Form and a negative declaration were submitted. A Coastal Assessment Form is also on file. A Coastal Assessment Form is also on file.

**Regulatory Impact Statement**

1. **Statutory authority:** Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) § 13-0105 directs that it shall be “the policy of the state that the primary principle in managing the state’s marine fishery resource is to maintain the long-term health and abundance of marine fisheries resources and their habitats, and to ensure that [fisheries] are sustained in usable abundance and diversity for future generations.” The legislature further directed that “the management of the state’s transboundary and migratory species shall be consistent with all interjurisdictional management plans, interstate or state-federal.”

ECL §§ 11-0303 and 13-0339 authorize DEC to adopt regulations governing Atlantic striped bass including: size limits, catch and possession limits, open and closed seasons, closed areas, restrictions on the manner of taking and landing, and other management measures.

ECL §§ 11-1521 and 13-0347 establish additional provisions for striped bass management in the Hudson River and marine waters, respectively.

2. **Legislative objectives:** It is the objective of the above-cited legislation that DEC manages marine fisheries to optimize resource use for fishermen in a manner that is consistent with federal marine fisheries conservation and management policies including all applicable interstate fishery management plans. The proposed rule would ensure that New York State maintains compliance and consistency with requirements of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission’s (ASMFC) Interstate Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for Atlantic Striped Bass.

3. **Needs and benefits:** The proposed new management measures are required by Addendum VI to Amendment 6 of ASMFC’s FMP for Atlantic Striped Bass, and are designed to reduce the recreational discard mortality of Atlantic striped bass. The proposed rule would amend 6 NYCCR Parts 10, 19, and 40 to ensure that New York State maintains compliance with the requirements of ASMFC’s FMP for Atlantic Striped Bass. Failure to maintain compliance with ASMFC’s FMP for Atlantic Striped Bass may result in the federal closure of New York State’s Atlantic striped bass fishery. FMPs are designed to promote the long-term sustainability of managed marine species, preserve states’ marine resources, and protect the interests of both commercial harvesters and recreational anglers. Additionally, failure to adopt these regulations would result in population declines for critical Atlantic striped bass fishery stock.

4. **Alternatives:** The proposed rule would not impose any costs to DEC or local municipalities. Tackle and sporting goods stores may incur costs associated with shifting demand for non-offset circle hooks. Recreational fishermen may need to purchase circle hooks if they do not already use them. An internet search conducted on September 28, 2020 indicated that the average retail price for a non-offset circle hook is 75 cents per hook, and the average wholesale price is 15 cents per hook.

5. **Local government mandates:** The proposed rule does not impose any mandates on local governments.

6. **Paperwork:** None.

7. **Duplication:** The proposed amendment does not duplicate any state or federal requirement.

8. **Alternatives:** “No action” alternative: Under this alternative, New York State would not amend 6 NYCCR Parts 10, 19, and 40. This alternative was rejected because New York State’s obligations to comply with ASMFC’s FMP for Atlantic Striped Bass failure to adopt the proposed regulations will result in further declines to critical fishery stock and the potential federal closure of New York State’s Atlantic striped bass fishery.

Exemptions for specific bait and tackle types alternative: This alternative was rejected because it at the October 20, 2020 meeting of ASMFC’s Striped Bass Management Board, a motion was passed that prohibited any such exemptions. To avoid potential fishery closure, New York State must comply with the FMP and therefore did not include exemptions in the proposed rule.

9. **Federal standards:** The amendments to 6 NYCCR Parts 10, 19, and 40 are in compliance with Addendum VI to Amendment 6 of ASMFC’s FMP for Atlantic Striped Bass.

10. **Compliance:** Compliance with the proposed regulation would be required upon the effective date of the rule.

The public would be notified of the changes to the regulations through publication in the State Register, through appropriate news releases, and through DEC’s website.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis**

1. **Effect of rule:** The Atlantic State Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) facilitates the cooperative management of marine and diadromous fish species among the fifteen Atlantic Coast member states. The principal mechanism for implementation of cooperative management of migratory fish is the ASMFC’s Interstate Fishery Management Plans (FMPs) for individual species or groups of fish. The FMPs are designed to promote the long-term health of these species, preserve resources, and protect the interests of fishers. The proposed rule is necessary to remain in compliance with Addendum VI to Amendment 6 of the Atlantic Striped Bass FMP. Compliance is required to avoid the federal closure of New York State’s striped bass fishery.

The proposed amendments to 6 NYCCR Parts 10, 19, and 40 would require recreational anglers to use circle hooks when they are fishing for striped bass using natural bait. The proposed rule would affect both the marine and coastal district, and inland waters, including the Hudson and Delaware Rivers and their tributaries.

The proposed rule required by ASMFC and is intended to reduce mortality associated with recreational fisheries for Atlantic striped bass. This rule making may have an impact on recreational fisheries, including private recreational fishers and party and charter boat operators, but the rule is designed and intended to preserve the long-term viability of these fisheries and associated businesses.

In 2019, DEC issued 519 party and charter boat licenses in the marine and coastal district. There were 53 Marine boat licenses sold in 2019. In addition, approximately 200 Hudson River marine permit gear licenses are sold annually; most of these permits are used for taking river herring to be used for striped bass bait.

There were also 420,012 people enrolled in DEC’s Recreational Marine Fishing Registry in 2018, the last year for which data is available. All fishers need to register if they are age 16 and older and are either: (1) fishing for a saltwater fish species in the marine and coastal district while not

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Rule Making Activities
There are no rural areas within, or directly adjacent to, the marine and coastal district. All or portions of eight Hudson River counties are considered rural areas: Albany, Columbia, Dutchess, Greene, Putnam, Orange, Rensselaer, and Ulster counties. All or portions of three Delaware River counties are also considered rural areas: Delaware, Orange, and Sullivan counties. The proposed regulations would affect individuals who participate in the Atlantic striped bass fishery and may also have an indirect effect on supporting industries.

2. Reporting, recordkeeping and other compliance requirements; and professional services:
There are no reporting or recordkeeping requirements associated with the proposed rule making. Furthermore, the rule making would not require the use of professional services for compliance.

3. Costs:
There would be no initial capital or annual costs for local governments to comply with the proposed regulations. Tackle and sporting goods stores may incur costs associated with shifting demand for non-offset circle hooks. Recreational fishermen may need to purchase circle hooks if they do not already use them. An internet search conducted on September 28, 2020 indicated that the average retail price for a non-offset circle hook is 75 cents per hook, and the average wholesale price is 15 cents per hook.

4. Minimizing adverse impact:
The promulgation of this regulation is necessary for New York State to comply with the FMP for Atlantic striped bass. The regulations are intended to protect the striped bass resource and avoid the adverse impacts that would be associated with the federal closure of the fishery due to non-compliance with the FMP. Additionally, failure to implement these changes would result in continued population decline which could lead to a moratorium on the harvest of striped bass. A moratorium would have a severe adverse impact on the fishery, as well as its supporting industries which provide jobs and employment opportunities. Ultimately, the maintenance of long-term sustainable fisheries will have a positive effect on employment, as well as wholesale and retail outlets and other support industries.

5. Small business and local government participation:

Addendum VI to Amendment 6 of ASMFC’s FMP for Striped Bass was published on October 30, 2019. This provided general public notice of the striped bass circle hook requirements that would be required to be in place for the 2021 fishing season. DEC held Marine Resources Advisory Council (MRAC) meetings on July 14, September 15, and November 17, 2020 to gain their input on the potential regulatory changes. DEC also held a meeting with the Hudson River Estuary Management Advisory Committee on September 10, 2020. DEC notified anglers of proposed regulatory changes in the 2020 DEC Freshwater Fishing Guide. On July 6, 2020 DEC alerted fishermen of proposed regulatory changes in the DEC Saltwater Fishing and Boating Newsletter. Copies were distributed via e-mail. Cornell Cooperative Extension initiated a recreational striped bass outreach and education program, which included the proposed regulatory changes. The 2019 season newsletter for the Hudson River Cooperative Angler Program was sent out to program participants and other interested Hudson River striped bass anglers in April 2020 and included a section defining and explaining non-offset circle hooks and the benefits in their use. DEC staff participated in a Hudson River Striped Bass seminar, which presented information about striped bass management in the river and on the coast. The presentation explained the definition of a non-offset circle hook as well as best handling practices when fishing for striped bass. DEC staff attended the World Fishing and Outdoor Expo in Suffern, NY in the winter of 2020, where public education materials relating to best striped bass handling practices, and alerted fishermen of proposed regulatory changes. DEC also sent free packets of non-offset circle hooks to fishers enrolled in the marine cooperative anglers program.

6. Initial review of the rule, pursuant to SAPA § 207 as amended by L. 2012, ch. 462:
DEC would conduct an initial review of the proposed rule within three years, as required by SAPA § 207.

Rural Area Flexibility Analysis

1. Types and estimated numbers of rural areas:
There are no rural areas within, or directly adjacent to, the marine and coastal district. All or portions of eight Hudson River counties are considered rural areas: Albany, Columbia, Dutchess, Greene, Putnam, Orange, Rensselaer, and Ulster counties. All or portions of three Delaware River counties are also considered rural areas: Delaware, Orange, and Sullivan counties. The proposed regulations would affect individuals who participate in the Atlantic striped bass fishery and may also have an indirect effect on supporting industries.

2. Compliance requirements:
The proposed regulations would not impose any new reporting or recordkeeping requirements on small businesses or local governments.

3. Professional services:
None.

4. Compliance costs:
The proposed rule would not impose any costs on local governments. Tackle and sporting goods stores may incur costs associated with shifting demand for non-offset circle hooks. Recreational fishermen may need to purchase circle hooks if they do not already use them. An internet search conducted on September 28, 2020 indicated that the average retail price for a non-offset circle hook is 75 cents per hook, and the average wholesale price is 15 cents per hook.

5. Economic and technological feasibility:
There is no additional technology required for small businesses, and this action would not apply to local governments. Non-offset circle hooks are readily available on the wholesale market to tackle and sporting goods stores.

6. Minimizing adverse impact:
The promulgation of this regulation is necessary for New York State to comply with the FMP for Atlantic striped bass. The regulations are intended to protect the striped bass resource and avoid the adverse impacts that would be associated with the federal closure of the fishery due to non-compliance with the FMP. Additionally, failure to implement these changes would result in continued population decline which could lead to a moratorium on the harvest of striped bass. A moratorium would have a severe adverse impact on the fishery, as well as its supporting industries. Ultimately, the maintenance of long-term sustainable fisheries will have a positive effect on employment, as well as wholesale and retail outlets and other support industries.

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8. For rules that either establish or modify a violation or penalties associated with a violation:
Pursuant to SAPA 202-b(1-a)(b), no such cure period is included in this rule because of the potential adverse impact on the resource. Cure periods for the illegal taking of fish or wildlife are neither desirable nor recommended. Immediate compliance is required to ensure the general welfare of the public and the resource is protected.

9. Initial review of the rule, pursuant to SAPA § 207 as amended by L. 2012, ch. 462:
DEC would conduct an initial review of the proposed rule within three years, as required by SAPA section 207.

Job Impact Statement

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has determined that it is apparent that the proposed rule would not have a substantial adverse impact on job and employment opportunities in New York State. The proposed rule would require the use of non-offset circle hooks when fishing for striped bass in marine and coastal waters (including the Hudson and Delaware Rivers and their tributaries). The proposed rule addresses fishing mortality in the recreational striped bass
To ensure that there are no barriers to New Yorkers accessing COVID-19 immunizations without cost-sharing, it is imperative that this amendment be promulgated on an emergency basis for the preservation of the public health.

Subject: Minimum Standards for Form, Content, and Sale of Health Insurance, Including Standards of Full and Fair Disclosure.

Purpose: To require immediate coverage, without cost-sharing, for COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof, including any visits necessary to obtain the immunizations, administered at a provider’s office, facility, pharmacy, or other setting, including any provider or location authorized by this State or the federal government to administer or host the administration of the immunization, shall not be subject to annual deductibles, coinsurance, copayments, or any other out-of-pocket cost.

Text of emergency rule: A new section 52.76(b) is added as follows:

(b)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subdivision, a policy that provides hospital, surgical, or medical care coverage, including any grandfathered health plan, shall cover coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) immunizations, and the administration thereof, immediately upon the earliest of the date on which: (i) the advisory committee on immunization practices of the federal centers for disease control issues a recommendation for the COVID-19 immunization; (ii) the United States Preventive services task force issues a recommendation with an “A” or “B” rating for the COVID-19 immunization; or (iii) the superintendent determines, in consultation with the commissioner of health, that a policy shall cover the COVID-19 immunization.

(2) The coverage required under paragraph (1) of this subdivision shall not be limited to COVID-19 immunizations, and the administration thereof, administered by participating providers and shall apply to such immunizations, and the administration thereof, administered by non-participating providers uniformly as the United States Preventive Services Taskforce issues a recommendation with an “A” or “B” rating for the COVID-19 immunization.

Finding of necessity for emergency rule: Preservation of public health.

Specific reasons underlying the finding of necessity: The coronavirus disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) has spread to millions of people worldwide, with approximately 775,000 confirmed cases in New York State, of which approximately 28,000 have resulted in death. COVID-19 has devastated communities and taken a huge economic toll on New York State. On March 7, 2020, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo issued Executive Order Number 202 declaring a disaster emergency in the State of New York in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and that declaration has been extended. COVID-19 immunizations have been developed that are approximately at least 90% effective against COVID-19, and experts estimate that at least 70% of Americans must receive the COVID-19 immunization in order to achieve herd immunity and stop the spread of this deadly disease. As a result, it is essential that New Yorkers have coverage for COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof, including any visits necessary to obtain the immunization, so that there are no barriers for New Yorkers expeditiously obtaining the immunizations. To address this need, the Governor issued Executive Order 202.82 on December 13, 2020, to temporarily modify Insurance Law Sections 3216(i)(7)(E), 3221(i)(8)(E), and (F), and 4303(j)(3) to apply to grandfathered health plans with respect to COVID-19 immunizations.

This amendment requires authorized insurers and health maintenance organizations that issue a policy or contract that provides hospital, surgical, or medical care coverage, including a grandfathered health plan, to provide coverage, with no cost-sharing, of COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof immediately upon the earliest of the date on which: (1) the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices issues a recommendation for the COVID-19 immunization; (2) the United States Preventive Services Taskforce issues a recommendation with an “A” or “B” rating for the COVID-19 immunization; or (3) the Superintendent of Financial Services (“Superintendent”) determines, in consultation with the Commissioner of Health, that a policy or contract must cover the COVID-19 immunization.

Given the public health implications of COVID-19, it is essential that there are no barriers to New Yorkers accessing COVID-19 immunizations. Failure to ensure coverage of COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof could jeopardize the health and safety of the people of New York.

Department of Financial Services

Minimum Standards for Form, Content, and Sale of Health Insurance, Including Standards of Full and Fair Disclosure

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following action:

Action taken: Addition of section 52.76(b) of Title 11 NYCRR.

Statutory authority: Executive Law, section 29-A; Executive Order No. 202.82, dated December 13, 2020, promulgated thereunder; Financial Services Law, sections 202, 302; Insurance Law, sections 301, 3216, 3217, 3221 and 4303.

Finding of necessity for emergency rule: Preservation of public health.

Specific reasons underlying the finding of necessity: The coronavirus disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) has spread to millions of people worldwide, with approximately 775,000 confirmed cases in New York State, of which approximately 28,000 have resulted in death. COVID-19 has devastated communities and taken a huge economic toll on New York State. On March 7, 2020, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo issued Executive Order Number 202 declaring a disaster emergency in the State of New York in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and that declaration has been extended. COVID-19 immunizations have been developed that are approximately at least 90% effective against COVID-19, and experts estimate that at least 70% of Americans must receive the COVID-19 immunization in order to achieve herd immunity and stop the spread of this deadly disease. As a result, it is essential that New Yorkers have coverage for COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof, including any visits necessary to obtain the immunization, so that there are no barriers for New Yorkers expeditiously obtaining the immunizations. To address this need, the Governor issued Executive Order 202.82 on December 13, 2020, to temporarily modify Insurance Law Sections 3216(i)(7)(E), 3221(i)(8)(E) and (F), and 4303(j)(3) to apply to grandfathered health plans with respect to COVID-19 immunizations.

This amendment requires authorized insurers and health maintenance organizations that issue a policy or contract that provides hospital, surgical, or medical care coverage, including a grandfathered health plan, to provide coverage, with no cost-sharing, of COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof immediately upon the earliest of the date on which: (1) the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices issues a recommendation for the COVID-19 immunization; (2) the United States Preventive Services Taskforce issues a recommendation with an “A” or “B” rating for the COVID-19 immunization; or (3) the Superintendent of Financial Services (“Superintendent”) determines, in consultation with the Commissioner of Health, that a policy or contract must cover the COVID-19 immunization.

Given the public health implications of COVID-19, it is essential that there are no barriers to New Yorkers accessing COVID-19 immunizations. Failure to ensure coverage of COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof could jeopardize the health and safety of the people of New York.
and health insurance policies and subscriber contracts of corporations organizing under IL Articles 32 and 38 of the Health Law necessary to 2. Legislative objectives: The Legislature granted the Governor broad powers to take necessary action in cases of emergency that threaten the health, safety, and general welfare of New Yorkers. Specifically, Executive Law Section 29-a authorizes the Governor to temporarily suspend or modify statutes, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, during a State disaster emergency. Governor Andrew M. Cuomo modified the IL when issuing EO 202.82 on December 13, 2020 in relation to coverage for COVID-19 immunizations by grandfathered health plans.

The statutory sections cited above establish the minimum standards for the form, content, and sale of accident and health insurance, including coverage for certain immunizations with no cost-sharing. This amendment implements EO 202.82 and accords with the public policy objectives that the Legislature sought to advance in the foregoing sections of the IL requiring coverage for coronavirus disease 2019 (“COVID-19”)-immunizations and the administration thereof immediately upon the earliest of the date on which: (1) the ACIP issues a recommendation for the COVID-19 immunization; (2) the USPSTF issues a recommendation with an “A” or “B” rating for the COVID-19 immunization; or (3) the Superintendent determines, in consultation with the Commissioner of Health, that a policy or contract must cover the COVID-19 immunization. This amendment also prohibits copayments, coinsurance, annual deductibles, and any other out-of-pocket costs for such immunizations and the administration thereof.

3. Needs and benefits: COVID-19 has spread to millions of people worldwide, with approximately 775,000 confirmed cases in New York State, of which approximately 28,000 have resulted in death, COVID-19 has developed communities, and has taken a huge economic toll on New York State. COVID-19 immunizations have been developed that are approximately at least 90% effective against COVID-19, and experts estimate that at least 70% of Americans must receive the COVID-19 immunization in order to achieve herd immunity and stop the spread of this deadly disease. As a result, it is essential that New Yorkers have coverage for COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof, including any visits necessary to obtain the immunization, so that there are no barriers to New Yorkers expeditiously obtaining the immunizations.

This amendment requires authorized insurers and health maintenance organizations (collectively, “health care plans”) that issue a policy or contract that provides hospital, surgical, or medical care coverage, including a grandfathered health plan, to cover COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof immediately upon the earliest of the date on which: (1) the ACIP issues a recommendation for the COVID-19 immunization; (2) the USPSTF issues a recommendation with an “A” or “B” rating for the COVID-19 immunization; or (3) the Superintendent determines, in consultation with the Commissioner of Health, that a policy or contract must cover the COVID-19 immunization. Coverage for COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof for any COVID-19 immunizations administered by non-participating providers until the expiration of the federally declared public health emergency or the disaster emergency declared by the New York State Governor pursuant to Executive Order 202, as extended.

The federal Departments of Health and Human Services, Treasury, and Labor (“federal Departments”) have issued Interim Final Rule 85 Fed. Reg. 71142 (November 6, 2020) (“federal rules”) that address coverage for COVID-19 immunizations and their administration. The federal rules require COVID-19 immunizations and their administration to be covered when provided by out-of-network providers for the duration of the federal public health emergency for COVID-19. The federal rules state that reimbursement for out-of-network providers must be made in an amount that is reasonable, as determined by comparison to prevailing market rates for such services. This rule amends the Governor’s IL to temporarily suspend or modify statutes, rules and regulations as the federal Departments will consider the amount of payment to be reasonable if the health care plan pays the provider the amount that would be paid under Medicare for the service, although the federal Departments are seeking comments on this approach. The Department of Financial Services (“Department”) may address out-of-network provider reimbursement for COVID-19 immunizations and their administration in future rulemaking if the federal rules are finalized.

4. Costs: Health care plans may incur additional costs to comply with the amendment because they may need to file new policy and contract forms and rates as a part of the normal course of business. This amendment does not impose any costs on providers. This amendment moderates the burden on the Department because the Department will need to review amended policy and contract forms and rates. However, any additional costs incurred by the Department should be minimal, and the Department should be able to absorb the costs in its operating budget.

The amendment will not impose compliance costs on any local governments.

5. Local government mandates: The amendment does not impose any provisions that impact the policy subsidiarity on any county, city, town, village, school district, fire district or other special district.

6. Paperwork: Health care plans may need to file new policy and contract forms and rates with the Superintendent.

Federal rules require issuers to cover COVID-19 immunizations and their administration to be covered when provided by out-of-network providers for the duration of the federally declared public health emergency for COVID-19. The federal requirement for out-of-network coverage ends when the federally declared public health emergency is terminated. Furthermore, the CARES Act requires coverage of any COVID-19 immunizations and their administration within 15 business days after the immunization has been recommended by ACIP.

7. Alternatives: There are no significant alternatives to consider.

Federal standards: The amendment exceeds the minimum standards of the federal government for this subject area. This amendment requires: (1) grandfathered health plans to provide the coverage; (2) coverage for COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof at a provider’s office, facility, pharmacy, or other setting, including any provider or location authorized by New York State or the federal government to administer or host the administration of the immunization; (3) coverage immediately upon certain triggering events; and (4) coverage for COVID-19 immunizations administered by non-participating providers until the expiration of the federally declared public health emergency and the disaster emergency declared by the New York State Governor pursuant to Executive Order 202, as extended.

10. Compliance schedule: The rule will take effect immediately upon the filing of the Notice of Emergency Adoption with the Secretary of State.

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

1. Effect of rule: This rule affects authorized insurers and health maintenance organizations (collectively, “health care plans”) and providers. This amendment requires a policy or contract that provides hospital, surgical, or medical care coverage, including a grandfathered health plan, to provide immediate coverage, without cost sharing, of COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof at a provider’s office, facility, pharmacy, or other setting, including any provider or location authorized by New York State or the federal government to administer or host the administration of the immunization.

2. Compliance: No local government will need to undertake any reporting, recordkeeping, or other affirmative acts to comply with this amendment because the amendment does not apply to any local government.

A health care plan that is a small business may be subject to reporting, recordkeeping, or other compliance requirements as the health care plan may need to file new policy or contract forms and rates with the Superintendent of Financial Services.

A provider that is a small business should not be subject to reporting, recordkeeping, or other compliance requirements.

3. Professional services: No local government will need professional services to comply with this amendment because the amendment does not apply to any local government.

A health care plan that is a small business may incur costs to comply
with this amendment because it may need to file new policy or contract forms and rates. However, any costs should be minimal because health care plans submit policy and contract forms and rates as a part of the normal course of business.

This amendment does not impose any additional costs on a provider that is a small business.

5. Economic and technological feasibility: This amendment does not apply to any local government; therefore, no local government should experience any economic or technological impact as a result of the amendment. A health care plan and a provider that is a small business should not incur any economic or technological impact as a result of the amendment.

6. Minimizing adverse impact: There will not be an adverse impact on any local government because the amendment does not apply to any local government. This amendment should not have an adverse impact on a health care plan or provider that is a small business because the amendment uniformly affects all health care plans and providers.

7. Small business and local government participation: The Department of Financial Services (“Department”) notified trade associations representing health care plans that are small businesses that it intended to promulgate this amendment. Health care plans and providers that are small businesses also will have an opportunity to participate in the rulemaking process when the amendment is published in the State Register and posted on the Department’s website.

Rural Area Flexibility Analysis

1. Types and estimated numbers of rural areas: Authorized insurers and health maintenance organizations (collectively, “health care plans”) and providers affected by this amendment operate in every county in New York State, including rural areas as defined by State Administrative Procedure Act section 102(10).

2. Reporting, recordkeeping, and other compliance requirements; and professional services: A health care plan, including a health care plan in a rural area, may be subject to additional reporting, recordkeeping, or other compliance requirements because the health care plan may need to file new policy or contract forms and rates with the Department of Financial Services (“Department”).

A provider, including a provider in a rural area, should not be subject to reporting, recordkeeping, or other compliance requirements.

A health care plan and provider, including those in a rural area, should not need to retain professional services, such as lawyers or auditors, to comply with this amendment.

3. Costs: Health care plans, including those in rural areas, may incur additional costs to comply with the amendment because they may need to file new policy and contract forms and rates with the Department. However, any costs should be minimal because health care plans submit policy and contract forms and rates as a part of the normal course of business.

Providers, including those in rural areas, should not incur additional costs to comply with the amendment.

4. Minimizing adverse impact: This amendment uniformly affects health care plans and providers that are located in both rural and non-rural areas of New York State. The amendment should not have an adverse impact on rural areas.

5. Rural area participation: The Department notified trade associations representing health care plans that are in rural areas that it intended to promulgate this amendment. Health care plans and providers in rural areas will also have an opportunity to participate in the rulemaking process when the amendment is published in the State Register and posted on the Department’s website.

Job Impact Statement

This amendment should not adversely impact jobs or employment opportunities in New York State. The amendment requires a policy or contract that provides hospital, surgical, or medical care coverage, including a grandfathered health plan, to provide immediate coverage, without cost sharing, of COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof at a provider’s office, facility, pharmacy, or other setting, including any provider or location authorized by New York State or the federal government to administer or host the administration of the immunization. As a result, there should be no impact on jobs or employment opportunities.
which they were reimbursed will not be eligible to also receive the ambulance add-on in the acute hospital inpatient rate.

Costs:
Costs to Private Regulated Parties:
There will be no additional costs to private regulated parties.
Costs to State Government:
There is no cost to State Government for this proposed regulation.
Costs of Local Government:
There is no cost to Local Government for this proposed regulation.
Costs to the Department of Health:
There will be no additional costs to the Department of Health as a result of this proposed regulation.
Local Government Mandates:
The proposed regulation does not impose any new programs, services, duties or responsibilities upon any county, city, town, village, school district, fire district or other special district.

Paperwork:
No additional paperwork is required of providers.

Duplication:
This regulation does not duplicate any existing federal, state or local government regulation.

Alternatives:
There is no alternative as an alternative would provide a duplicate payment to hospitals.

Federal Standards:
The proposed regulation does not exceed any minimum standards of the federal government for the same or similar subject areas.

Compliance Schedule:
The Department of Health will be implementing the ground emergency transportation services supplemental program effective on or after October 1, 2020 which requires the potential duplicate payment be removed as of the same date.

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
No regulatory flexibility analysis is required pursuant to section 202(b)(3)(a) of the State Administrative Procedure Act. The proposed regulations do not impose an adverse economic impact on small businesses or local governments, and they do not impose reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements on small businesses or local governments.

Rural Area Flexibility Analysis
No rural flexibility analysis is required pursuant to section 202-bbb(4)(a) of the State Administrative Procedure Act. The proposed regulations do not impose an adverse impact on facilities in rural areas, and they do not impose reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements on facilities in rural areas.

Job Impact Statement
A Job Impact Statement is not required pursuant to Section 201-a(2)(a) of the State Administrative Procedure Act. The proposed rule will not have a substantial adverse impact on jobs or employment opportunities, nor does it have adverse implications for job opportunities.

Assessment of Public Comment
The agency received no public comment.

EMERGENCY RULE MAKING

Hospital Indigent Care Pool Payment Methodology

LD. No. HLT-40-20-00002-E
Filing No. 917
Filing Date: 2020-12-18
Effective Date: 2020-12-18

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following action:

Action taken: Amendment of section 86-1.47 of Title 10 NYCRR.

Statutory authority: Public Health Law, section 2807-k(5-d)

Finding of necessity for emergency rule: Preservation of public health.
Specific reasons underlying the finding of necessity: The proposed amendments implement an extension to the methodology that the Department of Health uses to determine the Indigent Care Pool payments, eliminates the transition payment afforded to all hospitals receiving the pool payments, and creates a transition payment pool for Enhanced Safety Net Hospitals as enacted in Public Health Law Sections 2807-k(5-d). Public Health Law Section 2807-k(5-d)(b) provide the Commissioner of Health with authority to issue emergency regulations in order to implement these amendments.

SUBJECT: Hospital Indigent Care Pool Payment Methodology.

Purpose: To develop an indigent care distribution methodology for calendar years through 2022.

Text of emergency rule: Pursuant to the authority vested in the Commissioner of Health by section 2807-k(5-d) of the Public Health Law, Section 86-1.47 of Title 10 (Health) of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York is amended, to be effective upon filing with the Secretary of State, to read as follows:

Subdivision (i) of section 86-1.47 is repealed.
Subdivision (a) of section 86-1.47 is amended by adding paragraphs (1) and (2) to read as follows:

(a) Effective for periods on and after January 1, 2013, payments pursuant to subdivision 5-d of section 2807-k of the Public Health Law shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(1) Funds reserved in the Financial Assistance Compliance Pool (“FACP”) pursuant to § 2807-k(5-d)(b)(iv) of the Public Health Law for the calendar years 2014 through 2022 shall be distributed to hospitals which demonstrate substantial compliance, as determined by the Commissioner, with the provisions of § 2807-k(9-a) of the Public Health Law (the “financial assistance law” or “FAL”).

(2) Hospitals which are determined to be in substantial FAL compliance by the end of each calendar year shall receive the following year’s FACP funds as soon as practical in such year, in accordance with subdivision (b) of this section.

Section 86-1.47 is amended by adding subdivisions (i) and (j) to read as follows:

(i) For the 2019 calendar year, payments shall be made as follows:

(1) One hundred thirty nine million four hundred thousand dollars ($139,400,000) shall be distributed as Medicaid disproportionate share hospital (“DSH”) payments to major public general hospitals, including the hospitals operated by public benefit corporations, on the basis of each hospital’s uncompensated care nominal need, as determined in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (b) of this section, as a share of the aggregate uncompensated care nominal need for all major public general hospitals, further adjusted by a transition factor that shall be calculated such that no hospital shall experience a reduction in payments pursuant to this section that is greater than seventeen and a half percent less than the average distributions such hospitals received pursuant to § 2807-k of the Public Health Law for the three year period January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2012.

(2) Nine hundred forty four million nine hundred thousand dollars ($994,900,000) shall be distributed as Medicaid DSH payments to eligible general hospitals, other than major public general hospitals, on the basis of each hospital’s uncompensated care need share, as determined in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (b) of this section, further adjusted by a transition factor that shall be calculated such that no hospital shall experience a reduction in payments pursuant to this section that is greater than seventeen and a half percent less than the average distributions such hospitals received pursuant to § 2807-k of the Public Health Law for the three year period January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2012.

(3) Payments made pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subdivision shall be further adjusted such that payments made to hospitals that experience increases in payments, as compared to the average of such payments made pursuant to this section for the three year period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012, shall be sufficient, as determined by the Commissioner, to ensure, in conjunction with such other funding as may be made available, the full funding of the transition adjustments described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subdivision.

(j) For the 2020 through 2022 calendar years, payments shall be made as follows:

(1) One hundred thirty nine million four hundred thousand dollars ($139,400,000) shall be distributed as Medicaid disproportionate share hospital (“DSH”) payments to major public general hospitals, including the hospitals operated by public benefit corporations, on the basis of each hospital’s uncompensated care nominal need, as determined in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (b) of this section, as a share of the aggregate uncompensated care nominal need for all major public general hospitals.

(2) The nine hundred sixty-nine million nine hundred thousand dollars ($969,900,000) shall be distributed as Medicaid DSH payments to eligible general hospitals, other than major public general hospitals, on the basis of each hospital’s uncompensated care need share, as determined in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (b) of this
section, excluding any reductions made pursuant to § 2807-k(17) of the Public Health Law (PHL).

(3) Payments made pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subdivision shall be further adjusted such that such payments made to hospitals shall be subject to an aggregate reduction of one hundred fifty million dollars ($150,000,000), provided that eligible general hospitals, other than major public general hospitals, , that qualify as Enhanced Safety Net Hospitals under § 2807-c(34) of the Public Health Law for state fiscal year 2019-2020 shall not be subject to such reduction. The methodology to allocate the reduction shall take into account the payor mix of each voluntary hospital, including the percentage of total reported inpatient days paid by Medicaid. Such methodology will calculate the total public payer mix of each facility and calculate an average public payer mix.

For the purposes of this subparagraph, public payer mix means the percentage of total reported Medicaid and Medicare inpatient days, as reported in Exhibit 32 of the Institutional Cost Report (ICR) for the reporting period two years prior to the distribution year, where Medicaid and Medicare were the primary payors, out of total reported inpatient days which includes all inpatient services but excludes Alternate Level of Care days.

Hospitals exceeding the calculated average of public payer mix will be exempt from reductions pursuant to this subparagraph. Hospitals that fall below the calculated average of public payer mix will be subject to a proportionate reduction pursuant to this subparagraph.

(4) Payments made pursuant to paragraph (2) shall be further adjusted such that sixty-four million six hundred thousand dollars ($64,600,000) shall be distributed to eligible general hospitals, other than major public general hospitals, that qualify as Enhanced Safety Net Hospitals under § 2807-c(34) of the Public Health Law as of April 1, 2020, and that experience a reduction in indigent care pool payments pursuant to this subdivision and that experienced six thousand four hundred sixty-four million dollars ($6,464,640,000) in indigent care pool payments in 2019, and those qualifying Enhanced Safety Net Hospitals multiplied by the sixty-four million six hundred thousand dollars ($64,600,000).

This notice is intended to serve only as a notice of emergency adoption. This agency intends to adopt the provisions of this emergency rule as a permanent rule, having previously submitted to the Department of State a notice of proposed rule making, I.D. No. HLT-40-20-00002-P, Issue of October 7, 2020. The emergency rule will expire February 15, 2021.

Text of rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained from: Katherine Cerullo, DOH, Bureau of Program Counsel, Reg. Affairs Unit, Room 2438, ESP Tower Building, Albany, NY 12237, (518) 473-7488, email: regsqna@health.ny.gov

Regulatory Impact Statement

Statutory Authority:
The statutory authorities for this regulation for calendar year (CY) 2019 are contained in Section 2807-k(5-d) of the Public Health Law (PHL), as amended by Section 2 of Part A of Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2018, and Section 3 of Part KK of Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2020. Such section of the Public Health Law requires the Commissioner to promulgate regulations, including emergency regulations, regarding the extension of a distribution methodology to make annual indigent care pool payments to general hospitals for the four-year period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022.

Legislative Objectives:
The legislative objective of PHL 2807-k(5-d) is to establish methodologies for the distribution of certain pools of funds to certain hospitals, including an indigent care pool.

Needs and Benefits:
The current regulation contains, for calendar years through 2018, the methodology required to determine a hospital’s relative uncompensated care need. It incorporates both uninsured and Medicaid inpatient and outpatient volume, which form the basis for the allocation of a proportional share of the total available pool funds. The proposed amendment would extend this methodology to calendar years 2019 through 2022, in conformance with amendments to PHL Section 2807-k(5-d).

Further, for calendar years through 2022, the new methodology makes necessary spending amendments that conform to federal Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) reform guidelines by targeting payments to hospitals that provide a disproportionate share of uncompensated care to the uninsured and Medicaid inpatient and outpatient populations. The reform guidelines also aim to strengthen hospital compliance with the Financial Aid Law contained in Section 2807-k(9-a) of the Public Health Law.

The current regulation also includes, for calendar year 2019 only, $25M in transition payments. This transition payment establishes a minimum payment as a set percentage of the average indigent care pool payments received by the hospital in the years 2010-2012. Hospitals that experience gains have their distributions similarly capped by a set percentage of the average indigent care pool payments received in the years 2010-2012. The proposed amendment would extend the transition payments for another calendar year, in conformance with amendments to PHL Section 2807-k(5-d).

In calendar years 2020-2022, the proposed regulation eliminates the previously utilized transition collar and the corresponding $25 million used to fund that transition collar. The Voluntary Pool will be reduced by an aggregate $150 million based on hospitals with a low relative proportion of hospitals covered by public payors. Hospitals defined as Enhanced Safety Net Hospitals (ESNH) under Section 2807-c of the Public Health Law are exempt from this reduction. Additionally, beginning in CY 2020, the establishment of a new $64.6 million Enhanced Safety Net Transition Collar Pool will ensure that no ESNH experiences severe financial instability resulting from the removal of the transition collar and its associated funding through the Voluntary hospital pool as a result of the updated indigent care distribution methodology for these years. This transition payment will be distributed by taking each voluntary ESNH and comparing its distribution year allocation to their CY 2019 allocation. ESNHs experiencing a reduction will receive a proportional distribution of the total $64.6 million in funds available. The proposed amendment would extend the ESNH transition payments to calendar years 2020 through 2022, in conformance with amendments to PHL Section 2807-k(5-d).

The current regulation also requires, for calendar years through 2022, the Commissioner to withhold one percent of the total indigent care pool funds available to distribute to hospitals who demonstrate substantial compliance with the Financial Aid Law in accordance with PHL Section 2807-k(9-a). The proposed amendment would extend the one percent withholding and distribution to hospitals for calendar years 2019 through 2022, in conformance with amendments to PHL Section 2807-k(5-d).

This regulation amendment is necessary to preserve the integrity of the Medicaid program and maintain the Global Cap, while still protecting the facilities that provide necessary services to poor and uninsured patients.

Costs:

Costs to Private Regulated Parties:
There will be no additional costs to private regulated parties. The Department utilizes audited information contained in hospitals’ Institutional Cost Reports, which the hospitals are already required to submit to the Department on an annual basis.

Costs to State Government:
There is no increase in Medicaid expenditures anticipated as a result of this proposed amendment. This proposal results in a net savings of $110.4 million gross ($55.2 million State share) for calendar years 2020 through 2022.

Costs to Local Government:
Local districts’ share of Medicaid costs is capitually capped; therefore, there will be no additional costs to local governments as a result of this proposed amendment.

Costs to the Department of Health:
There will be no additional administrative costs to the Department of Health as a result of this proposed amendment.

Local Government Mandates:
The proposed amendment does not impose any new programs, services, duties or responsibilities upon any county, city, town, village, school district, fire district or other special district.

Paperwork:
There are no new reporting requirements, forms or additional paperwork as a result of this proposed amendment.

Duplication:
This proposed amendment does not duplicate any existing federal, state or local regulations.

Alternatives:
The Department of Health could have chosen a different method; however, the Department developed the distribution methodology and incorporated recommendations from the ICP workgroup (including representatives from the industry associations representing the hospitals subject to the proposed amendment).

Federal Standards:
The proposed amendment does not exceed any minimum standards of the federal government for the same or similar subject area.

Compliance Schedule:
The proposed amendment grants the Commissioner of Health the authority to withhold one percent of the total indigent care pool funds available for years 2019 through 2022. Hospitals must demonstrate compliance with the provisions of the Financial Aid Law contained in Section 2807-k(9-a) of the Public Health Law to receive their share of the one percent withheld funds. There are no additional compliance efforts required by the hospitals.

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Effect of Rule:
For the purpose of this regulatory flexibility analysis, small businesses
are general hospitals with 100 or fewer full-time equivalents. Based on recent national and statistical data extracted from the Institutional Cost Report, five hospitals were identified as employing fewer than 100 employees.

Some hospitals subject to this regulation may see a decrease in their indigent care payments as a result of this regulation. This rule will have no direct effect on local governments.

**Compliance Requirements:**

The proposed amendment requires the Commissioner of Health to withhold one percent of the total indigent care pool funds available for years 2019 through 2022. All hospitals must demonstrate compliance with the provisions of the Financial Aid Law as set forth in Section 2807-k(9-a) of the Public Health Law to receive their share of the funds held in this pool. No other compliance efforts are required. The rule will have no direct effect on local governments.

**Professional Services:**

No new or additional professional services are required in order to comply with the proposed amendment.

**Costs:**

No additional compliance costs are anticipated as a result of this proposed amendment.

**Economic and Technological Feasibility:**

Small businesses will be able to comply with the economic and technological aspects of this proposed amendment because there are no technological requirements other than the use of existing technology, and the overall economic aspect of complying with the requirements is expected to be minimal.

**Minimizing Adverse Impact:**

A transition payment will be provided for calendar year 2019 to ensure that no hospital experiences severe financial instability resulting from the methodology. Changes made in calendar years 2020-2022 exclude hospitals defined as Enhanced Safety Net Hospitals and exclude hospitals which serve a high burden of public payor patients from the $150 million reduction. Additionally, for calendar years 2020 through 2022, the Enhanced Safety Net Transition Collar provides funding to qualifying hospitals to mitigate funding reductions resulting from the removal of the transition collar.

Local districts’ share of Medicaid costs is statutorily capped; therefore, there will be no adverse impact to local governments as a result of this proposal.

**Small Business and Local Government Participation:**

These proposed regulations arise from a change in State law pursuant to Chapter 36 of the Laws of 2020, Part MM. The initiatives were recommended by the MRT II, a group comprised with representatives of LDSS and MMCs among others, following a series of public meetings where stakeholders had the opportunity to comment and collaborate on ideas to address the efficacy of these services. The State filed Federal Public Notices which were published in the State Register on May 8, 2019 and June 3, 2020, which served as clarifications of State Plan Amendment (SPA) 19-0001 and for SPA 20-0040, respectively. These Notices provide a summary of the action to be taken and instructions as to where the public, including small businesses and local governments, could locate copies of the corresponding proposed State Plan Amendments. The Notices further invited the public to review and comment on the related proposed State Plan Amendments. In addition, contact information for the Department of Health was provided for anyone interested in further information.

**Rural Area Flexibility Analysis**

Type and Estimated Numbers of Rural Areas:

This rule applies uniformly throughout the state, including rural areas. Rural areas are defined as counties with a population less than 200,000 and counties with a population of 200,000 or greater that have towns with population densities of 150 persons or fewer per square mile. The following 43 counties have a population of less than 200,000 based upon the United States Census estimated county populations for 2010 (https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/). Approximately 17% of small health care facilities are located in rural areas.

- Allegany County
- Cattaraugus County
- Cayuga County
- Chautauqua County
- Chemung County
- Chenango County
- Clinton County
- Columbia County
- Cortland County
- Franklin County
- Fulton County
- Genesee County
- Greene County
- Herkimer County
- Jefferson County
- Lewis County
- Livingston County
- Madison County
- Montgomery County
- Orleans County
- Oswego County
- Putnam County
- Rensselaer County
- Schoharie County
- Schuyler County
- Seneca County
- St. Lawrence County
- Steuben County
- Sullivan County
- Tioga County
- Tompkins County
- Ulster County
- Warren County
- Washington County
- Wayne County
- Wyoming County
- Yates County
- Schenectady County

The following counties have a population of 200,000 or greater and towns with population densities of 150 persons or fewer per square mile. Data is based upon the United States Census estimated county populations for 2010.

- Albany County
- Broome County
- Dutchess County
- Erie County
- Monroe County
- Niagara County
- Oneida County
- Onondaga County
- Orange County
- Saratoga County
- Suffolk County
- Warren County
- Washington County
- Wayne County
- Wyoming County
- Yates County
- Schenectady County

**Rule Making Activities**

- Delaware County
- Essex County
- Franklin County
- Fulton County
- Genesee County
- Chenango County
- Livingston County
- Sullivan County
- Chemung County
- Lewis County
- Steuben County
- Chautauqua County
- Jefferson County
- St. Lawrence County
- Cayuga County
- Herkimer County
- Seneca County
- Allegany County
- Greene County
- Schoharie County
- Cattaraugus County
- Hamilton County
- Schuyler County
- Cayuga County
- Herkimer County
- Seneca County
- Chautauqua County
- Jefferson County
- St. Lawrence County
- Chemung County
- Lewis County
- Steuben County
- Chenango County
- Livingston County
- Sullivan County
- Clinton County
- Madison County
- Tioga County
- Columbia County
- Montgomery County
- Tompkins County
- Cortland County
- Ontario County
- Ulster County
- Albany County
- Monroe County
- Orange County
- Broome County
- Niagara County
- Saratoga County
- Dutchess County
- Oneida County
- Suffolk County
- Erie County
- Onondaga County

**Reporting, Recordkeeping and Other Compliance Requirements:**

No new or additional professional services are required for providers in rural areas to comply with the proposed amendment. The proposed amendment requires the Commissioner of Health to withhold one percent of the total indigent care pool funds available for years 2019 through 2022. All hospitals must demonstrate compliance with the provisions of the Financial Aid Law as set forth in Section 2807-k(9-a) of the Public Health Law to receive their share of the funds held in this pool. No other compliance efforts are required.

**Costs:**

No additional compliance costs are anticipated as a result of this proposed amendment.

**Minimizing Adverse Impact:**

A transition payment will be provided for calendar year 2019 to ensure that no hospital experiences severe financial instability resulting from the methodology. Changes made in calendar years 2020 through 2022 exclude hospitals defined as Enhanced Safety Net Hospitals and exclude hospitals which serve a high burden of public payor patients from the $150 million reduction. Additionally, for calendar years 2020-2022, the Enhanced Safety Net Transition Collar provides funding to qualifying hospitals to mitigate funding reductions resulting from the removal of the transition collar.

Local districts’ share of Medicaid costs is statutorily capped; therefore, there will be no adverse impact to local governments as a result of this proposal.

**Rural Area Participation:**

The State has filed Federal Public Notices, published in the State Register on May 8, 2019, April 1, 2020, and June 3, 2020. The Notices provided a summary of the action to be taken and instructions as to where the public, including rural area members and local governments, could locate copies of the corresponding proposed State Plan Amendments. The Notices further invited the public to review and comment on the related proposed State Plan Amendments. In addition, contact information for the Department of Health was provided for anyone interested in further information.

**Job Impact Statement**

A Job Impact Statement is not required pursuant to Section 201-a(2)(a) of the State Administrative Procedure Act. The proposed rule extends the hospital indigent care pool payment methodology for the four-year period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022 and will not have a substantial adverse impact on jobs or employment opportunities, nor does it have adverse implications for job opportunities.
Office for People with Developmental Disabilities

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Crisis Intervention Services for Individuals with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities

I.D. No. PDD-42-20-00001-A
Filing No. 919
Filing Date: 2020-12-22
Effective Date: 2021-01-06

Pursuant to the provisions of the State Administrative Procedure Act, notice is hereby given of the following action:

Action taken: Addition of Subpart 635-16 to Title 14 NYCRR.

Statutory authority: Mental Hygiene Law, sections 13.07, 13.09, 13.15(a) and 16.00

Subject: Crisis Intervention Services for individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities.

Purpose: Specifies qualifications for providers for the provision of these services and allowance for billing.

Text or summary was published in the October 21, 2020 issue of the Register, I.D. No. PDD-42-20-00001-P.

Final rule as compared with last published rule: No changes.

Text of rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained from: Mary Beth Babcock, Office for People With Developmental Disabilities, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12229, (518) 474-7700, email: rau.unit@opwdd.ny.gov

Additional matter required by statute: Pursuant to the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, OPWDD, as lead agency, has determined that the action described herein will have no effect on the environment and an E.I.S. is not needed.

Initial Review of Rule

As a rule that requires a RFA, RAFA or JIS, this rule will be initially reviewed in the calendar year 2023, which is no later than the 3rd year after the year in which this rule is being adopted.

Assessment of Public Comment

The agency received no public comment.

Public Service Commission

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Request for a CPCN and a Lightened Regulatory Regime

I.D. No. PSC-19-19-00014-A
Filing Date: 2020-12-18
Effective Date: 2020-12-18

Pursuant to the provisions of the State Administrative Procedure Act, notice is hereby given of the following action:

Action taken: On 12/17/20, the PSC adopted an order authorizing National Grid, LLC’s (Bluestone) request for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) and a lightened regulatory regime.

Statutory authority: Public Service Law, sections 2(12), (13), (22), 5(1)(b), 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 69-a, 70, 71, 72, 72-a, 78, 79, 105-114, 114-a, 115, 117, 118, 119-b and 119-c

Purpose: To grant Bluestone’s request for a CPCN and a lightened regulatory regime.

Substance of final rule: The Commission, on December 17, 2020, adopted an order authorizing National Grid, LLC’s (Bluestone) request for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) and a lightened regulatory regime in connection with an approximately 124 megawatt wind generating facility, located in the Town of Sanford and the Town of Windsor, Broome County, New York, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the order.

Final rule as compared with last published rule: No changes.

Text of rule may be obtained from: John Pitucci, Public Service Commission, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, (518) 486-2655, email: john.pitucci@dps.ny.gov. An IRS employer ID no. or social security no. is required from firms or persons to be billed 25 cents per page. Please use tracking number found on last line of notice in requests.

Assessment of Public Comment

An assessment of public comment is not submitted with this notice because the rule is within the definition contained in section 102(2)(a)(ii) of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

(19-E-0121SA1)

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Transfer of Water System Assets

I.D. No. PSC-52-19-00001-A
Filing Date: 2020-12-18
Effective Date: 2020-12-18

Pursuant to the provisions of the State Administrative Procedure Act, notice is hereby given of the following action:

Action taken: On 12/17/20, the PSC adopted an order approving, with modifications, SUEZ Water New York Inc. (SUEZ) and Heritage Hills Water Works Corporation’s petition (Heritage Hills) for SUEZ to acquire 100 percent of the assets of Heritage Hills.

Statutory authority: Public Service Law, sections 5, 17, 18, 31, 39, 80, 89-c and 89-h

Purpose: To approve, with modifications, SUEZ and Heritage Hills’ petition for SUEZ to acquire assets of Heritage Hills.

Substance of final rule: The Commission, on December 17, 2020, adopted an order approving, with modifications, SUEZ Water New York Inc. (SUEZ) and Heritage Hills Water Works Corporation’s petition (Heritage Hills) for SUEZ to acquire 100 percent of the water system assets of Heritage Hills. Within 30 days of the date of closing, SUEZ shall file with the Secretary to the Commission documents showing the acquisition has occurred and all corresponding journal entries related to recording the transaction on its books. Within 30 days of the date of closing, Heritage Hills is directed to file a cancellation supplement cancelling Heritage Hills’ tariff schedule P.S.C. No. 3 – Water in its entirety, and the supplement, and Meter Replacement Program (MRP) Surcharge Statement No. 10 contained in that schedule, effective on not less than one day’s notice. Within 30 days of the date of closing, SUEZ is directed to file, on not less than three days’ notice, to become effective on a temporary basis, tariff revisions to P.S.C. No. 2 – Water to reflect the addition of Heritage Hills’ customers, as discussed in the body of the order. The amendments specified in the compliance filing shall not become effective on a permanent basis until approved by the Commission, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the order.

Final rule as compared with last published rule: No changes.

Text of rule may be obtained from: John Pitucci, Public Service Commission, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, (518) 486-2655, email: john.pitucci@dps.ny.gov. An IRS employer ID no. or social security no. is required from firms or persons to be billed 25 cents per page. Please use tracking number found on last line of notice in requests.

Assessment of Public Comment

An assessment of public comment is not submitted with this notice because the rule is within the definition contained in section 102(2)(a)(ii) of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

(19-W-0726SA1)

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Issuance of Long-Term Debt Securities

I.D. No. PSC-31-20-00003-A
Filing Date: 2020-12-18
Effective Date: 2020-12-18

Pursuant to the provisions of the State Administrative Procedure Act, notice is hereby given of the following action:

Action taken: On 12/17/20, the PSC adopted an order authorizing National Grid, LLC’s (Bluestone) request for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) and a lightened regulatory regime.
Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation (NFG) to issue up to $300 million of long-term debt securities in one or more transactions, not later than December 31, 2023.

**Statutory authority:** Public Service Law, section 69

**Subject:** Issuance of long-term debt securities.

**Purpose:** To authorize NFG to issue up to $300 million of long-term debt securities.

**Substance of final rule:** The Commission, on December 17, 2020, adopted an order authorizing National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation (NFG) to issue up to $300 million of long-term debt securities in one or more transactions, not later than December 31, 2023. The proceeds from the issuance of securities authorized by the order may be used only for: (a) the acquisition of property, the construction, completion, extension or improvement of NFG’s facilities or the improvement or maintenance of NFG’s service within New York State (to the extent such expenditures exceed funds originating from credits to the accumulated provision for depreciation, net salvage and accumulated deferred income taxes); (b) for the discharge or lawful refunding of NFG’s obligations; or (c) to reimburse NFG’s treasury for equivalent moneys expended for those purposes prior to March 31, 2020, provided that NFG has kept its accounts and vouchers of such expenditures in such a manner as to enable us to ascertain the amount of moneys so expended and the purposes for which such expenditures were made. This order replaces the authorization granted in the Order Authorizing Issuance of Securities, issued November 17, 2017, in Case 17-G-0414 and the authorization granted in that proceeding is revoked, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the order.

**Final rule as compared with last published rule:** No changes.

**Text of rule may be obtained from:** John Pitucci, Public Service Commission, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, (518) 486-2655, email: john.pitucci@dps.ny.gov An IRS employer ID no. or social security no. is required from firms or persons to be billed 25 cents per page. Please use tracking number found on last line of notice in requests.

**Assessment of Public Comment**
An assessment of public comment is not submitted with this notice because the rule is within the definition contained in section 102(2)(a)(ii) of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

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**NOTICE OF ADOPTION**

**Submetering of Electricity**

**I.D. No.** PSC-31-20-00011-A

**Filing Date:** 2020-12-18

**Effective Date:** 2020-12-18

**PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following action:**

**Action taken:** On 12/17/20, the PSC adopted an order approving National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation’s (NFG) petition to transfer its membership interests in Alliance Energy Transmissions-Syracuse, LLC to AET Holdings LLC (AET Holdings).

**Statutory authority:** Public Service Law, sections 2(10), (11), 5(1)(b), (2), 64, 66(1), (13) and 70

**Subject:** Transfer of ownership interests.

**Purpose:** To approve Alliance’s petition to transfer its membership interests to AET Holdings.

**Substance of final rule:** The Commission, on December 17, 2020, adopted an order approving Alliance Energy Group, LLC’s (Alliance) petition to transfer 100 percent of its membership interests in Alliance Energy Transmissions LLC (AET) and Alliance Energy Transmissions–Syracuse, LLC (AET-Syracuse) to AET Holdings LLC (AET Holdings) or another entity. Within 60 days of the date of issuance of this Order, AET and AET-Syracuse shall file with the Secretary to the Commission confirmation of the date on which the transfers authorized were or will be completed, and shall further identify the final corporate entity to which Alliance transferred or will transfer its interests, being tentatively identified in the petition as AET Holdings, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the order.

**Final rule as compared with last published rule:** No changes.

**Text of rule may be obtained from:** John Pitucci, Public Service Commission, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, (518) 486-2655, email: john.pitucci@dps.ny.gov An IRS employer ID no. or social security no. is required from firms or persons to be billed 25 cents per page. Please use tracking number found on last line of notice in requests.

**Assessment of Public Comment**
An assessment of public comment is not submitted with this notice because the rule is within the definition contained in section 102(2)(a)(ii) of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

(20-G-0385SA1)

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**PROPOSED RULE MAKING**

**NO HEARING(S) SCHEDULED**

**Partial Waiver of the Order Adopting Changes to the Retail Access Energy Market and Establishing Further Process**

**I.D. No.** PSC-01-21-00004-P

**PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following proposed rule:**

**Proposed Action:** The Commission is considering a petition filed on December 11, 2020 by Vistra Corp. for a partial waiver of the Commission’s December 12, 2019 Order Adopting Changes to the Retail Access Energy Market and Establishing Further Process.

**Statutory authority:** Public Service Law, sections 5(1)(b), 65(1), (2), (3), (5), (8), and (10)

**Subject:** Partial waiver of the Order Adopting Changes to the Retail Access Energy Market and Establishing Further Process.

**Purpose:** To consider whether petitioner should be permitted to offer its Home Warranty product to mass market customers.

**Substance of proposed rule:** The Public Service Commission (Commission) is considering a petition filed on December 11, 2020 by Vistra Corp. (Vistra) for a partial waiver of the Commission’s Order Adopting Changes to the Retail Access Energy Market and Establishing Further Process, issued on December 12, 2019 (December 2019 Order). The December 2019 Order, among other things, limited the types of products that energy service companies (ESCOs) can offer to New York mass market customers to those products that: (1) include a guaranteed savings over the utility price, as reconciled on an annual basis; (2) are for a fixed-rate commodity product that is priced at no more than 5% greater than the trailing 12-month average utility supply rate; and, (3) are for a renewably sourced electric commodity product that (a) has a renewable...
Vistra requests that the Commission issue a waiver to permit it to offer its home warranty and maintenance product (Warranty Product) to mass market customers in New York. According to Vistra, its Warranty Product is substantially similar to the Agway product already approved by the Commission. Vistra explains that the Warranty Product plan covers customers’ heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) units, including unknown pre-existing conditions with annual coverage limited to $6,000, $1,000 for electrical line repair and $5,000 for HVAC repair and replacement. Electric line protection claims do not have a deductible. Vistra continues, while HVAC claims have a deductible of $60 and a per visit cap of $500. Vistra also claims to provide customers with access to seasonal tune-ups of their HVAC system for preventative maintenance. Vistra explains that the Warranty Product provides 24/7 customer service, and utilizes prescreened and licensed professionals to assist with home repairs and replacements of heating and cooling systems.

According to Vistra, its Warranty Product provides customers with peace of mind and security that should their home heating and cooling equipment fail, someone will be available 24/7 to provide assistance. Additionally, Vistra asserts that because the Commission has already determined that these types of home warranty products are permissible energy related value-added products or services, it should likewise be authorized to offer its Warranty Product.

The full text of the petition and the full record of the proceeding may be reviewed online at the Department of Public Service web page: www.dps.ny.gov. The Commission may adopt, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the action proposed and may resolve related matters.

Test of proposed rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained by filing a Document Request Form (F-96) located on our website http://www.dps.ny.gov/F96dir.htm. For questions, contact: John Pitucci, Public Service Commission, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, (518) 486-2655, email: john.pitucci@dps.ny.gov

Data, views or arguments may be submitted to: Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary, Public Service Commission, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, (518) 474-6530, email: secretary@dps.ny.gov

Public comment will be received until: 60 days after publication of this notice.

Regulatory Impact Statement, Regulatory Flexibility Analysis, Rural Area Flexibility Analysis and Job Impact Statement

Statements and analyses are not submitted with this notice because the proposed rule is within the definition contained in section 102(2)(a)(ii) of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

Public comment will be received until: 60 days after publication of this notice.

PROPOSED RULE MAKING

NO HEARING(S) SCHEDULED

A Debt Financing Arrangement with Respect to an Electric Transmission Line Under Development

I.D. No. PSC-01-21-00006-P

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following proposed rule:

Proposed Action: The Commission is considering a petition filed by CHPE Properties, Inc. and CHPE LLC requesting authorization to issue debt financing pursuant to section 69 of the Public Service Law.

Statutory authority: Public Service Law, sections 5, 64, 65, 66 and 69

Subject: A debt financing arrangement with respect to an electric transmission line under development.

Purpose: To review the proposed financing and consider whether it is within the public interest.

Substance of proposed rule: The New York State Public Service Commission (Commission) is considering a petition filed by CHPE Properties, Inc. and CHPE LLC (collectively, Joint Petitioners) on November 23, 2020 requesting to issue debt financing, which may take the form of bank loans, bonds, or other financial instruments.

The Joint Petitioners explain that they plan to undertake the Champlain Hudson Power Express electric transmission project from Canada to New York City (the Project), which the Commission approved in Case 10-T-0139 on April 18, 2013. The proceeds of the financing would be used primarily to fund construction of the Project, which the Joint Petitioners asserted would be developed, financed, constructed, and operated on a merchant basis. Accordingly, the Joint Petitioners assert that there would be no adverse effect on captive retail customers requiring the protection of the Commission’s rate regulation and it would be appropriate to apply the reduced scrutiny that the Commission has applied to similar entities that are lightly regulated. Furthermore, the Joint Petitioners request flexibility to modify (without prior approval) the identity of the financing entities, payment terms, and the amount financed, so long as it does not exceed a “maximum amount,” which the Joint Petitioners redact from the petition based on the assertion that it constitutes Confidential Information and should thus not be disclosed publicly.

The full text of the petition and the full record of the proceeding may be reviewed online at the Department of Public Service web page: www.dps.ny.gov. The Commission may adopt, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the action proposed and may resolve related matters.

Text of proposed rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained by filing a Document Request Form (F-96) located on our website http://www.dps.ny.gov/F96dir.htm. For questions, contact: John Pitucci, Public Service Commission, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, (518) 486-2655, email: john.pitucci@dps.ny.gov
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Public comment will be received until: 60 days after publication of this notice.

Regulatory Impact Statement, Regulatory Flexibility Analysis, Rural Area Flexibility Analysis and Job Impact Statement

Statements and analyses are not submitted with this notice because the proposed rule is within the definition contained in section 102(2)(a)(ii) of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

(20-E-0598SP1)

PROPOSED RULE MAKING

NO HEARING(S) SCHEDULED

Notice of Intent to Submeter Electricity

I.D. No. PSC-01-21-00007-P

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following proposed rule:

Proposed Action: The Commission is considering the notice of intent of LOBLO Apartments LLC to submeter electricity at 983 Michigan Avenue, Buffalo, New York.

Statutory Authority: Public Service Law, sections 2, 4(1), 30, 32-48, 52, 53, 65(1), 66(1), (2), (3), (4), (12) and (14)

Subject: Notice of intent to submeter electricity.

Purpose: To ensure adequate submetering equipment and consumer protections are in place.

Substance of proposed rule: The Commission is considering the notice of intent filed by LOBLO Apartments LLC on December 16, 2020, to submeter electricity at a new market-rate rental building located at 983 Michigan Avenue, Buffalo, New York, 14203, located in the territory of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid (National Grid).

In the notice of intent, LOBLO Apartments LLC requests authorization to take electric service from National Grid and then distribute and meter that electricity to its residents. Once approved by the Commission, submetering of electricity to residents is allowed, so long as it complies with the protections and requirements of the Commission’s regulations in 16 NYCCR Part 96.

The full text of the notice of intent and the full record of the proceeding may be reviewed online at the Department of Public Service website: www.dps.ny.gov. The Commission may adopt, reject or modify, in whole or in part, the action proposed and may resolve related matters.

Text of proposed rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained by filing a Document Request Form (F-96) located on our website http://www.dps.ny.gov/f96dir.htm. For questions, contact: John Pitucci, Public Service Commission, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, (518) 486-2655, email: john.pitucci@dps.ny.gov

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Public comment will be received until: 60 days after publication of this notice.

Regulatory Impact Statement, Regulatory Flexibility Analysis, Rural Area Flexibility Analysis and Job Impact Statement

Statements and analyses are not submitted with this notice because the proposed rule is within the definition contained in section 102(2)(a)(ii) of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

(20-E-0660SP1)

REVISION OF CERTAIN DELIVERY RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE

I.D. No. PSC-01-21-00008-P

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following proposed rule:

Proposed Action: The Commission is considering a petition filed by Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid (National Grid or the Company) on October 8, 2020, to revise certain delivery rates for Rate Year 4 under the Company’s currently effective rate plan, which was adopted by the Commission on March 15, 2018 in its Order Adopting Terms of Joint Proposal and Establishing Electric and Gas Rate Plans (Rate Order).

The Rate Order adopted a Joint Proposal establishing rates for a three year period, with Rate Year 1 ending on March 31, 2019, Rate Year 2 ending on March 31, 2020, and Rate Year 3 slated to end on March 31, 2021. The Rate Order also adopted rates for some but not all service categories for the subsequent 12 month period (i.e., Rate Year 4), in the event the Company did not after issuance of the Rate Order seek new rates in a subsequent petition to be effective April 1, 2021. National Grid has since filed a petition for new rates to be effective July 1, 2021 in Case 20-E-0380. The petition seeks Commission authorization to revise certain rates for Rate Year 4, to be effective April 1, 2021, with the expectation that the rates to be set in Case 20-E-0380, which are anticipated to become effective on July 1, 2021, would supersede the specified Rate Year 4 rates.

Specifically, the petition seeks Commission authorization to revise the Company’s delivery rates in the P.S.C. No. 220 - Electricity (Electric Tariff) for the following service classifications: (i) Service Classification No. 1, Special Provision L, Residential Time of Use Delivery and Commodity Rate; (ii) Service Classification No. 7, Sale of Standby Service to Customers; and (iii) Empire Zone Rider and Excelsior Jobs Program pursuant to Rule 34 of the Electric Tariff, Rate Year 4 rates for these specific service classifications were omitted from the Joint Proposal.

The Company also proposes to revise Rate Year 4 delivery rates and facility charges for the service classes in the Company’s P.S.C. No. 214 – Schedule for Electric Service Street, Highway, Roadway and Other Outdoor Lighting (Outdoor Lighting Tariff). As with the specific Electric Tariff service classifications noted above, Rate Year 4 delivery rates and facility charges under the Outdoor Lighting Tariff were not reflected in the Joint Proposal. The proposed amendments for the Electric and Outdoor Lighting Tariffs have an effective date of April 1, 2021.

The full text of the petition and the full record of the proceeding may be reviewed online at the Department of Public Service web page: www.dps.ny.gov. The Commission may adopt, reject or modify, in whole or in part, the action proposed and may resolve related matters.

Text of proposed rule and any required statements and analyses may be obtained by filing a Document Request Form (F-96) located on our website http://www.dps.ny.gov/f96dir.htm. For questions, contact: John Pitucci, Public Service Commission, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, (518) 486-2655, email: john.pitucci@dps.ny.gov

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Public comment will be received until: 60 days after publication of this notice.

Regulatory Impact Statement, Regulatory Flexibility Analysis, Rural Area Flexibility Analysis and Job Impact Statement

Statements and analyses are not submitted with this notice because the proposed rule is within the definition contained in section 102(2)(a)(ii) of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

(17-E-0238SP12)

The full text of the petition and the full record of the proceeding may be reviewed online at the Department of Public Service web page: www.dps.ny.gov. The Commission may adopt, reject or modify, in whole or in part, the action proposed and may resolve related matters.

PROPOSED RULE MAKING

NO HEARING(S) SCHEDULED

Revise of Certain Delivery Rates for Electric Service

I.D. No. PSC-01-21-00008-P

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE State Administrative Procedure Act, NOTICE is hereby given of the following proposed rule:

Proposed Action: The Commission is considering a petition by Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid (National Grid or the Company) on October 8, 2020, to revise certain delivery rates for Rate Year 4 under the Company’s currently effective rate plan, which was adopted by the Commission on March 15, 2018 in its Order Adopting Terms of Joint Proposal and Establishing Electric and Gas Rate Plans (Rate Order).

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The full text of the petition and the full record of the proceeding may be reviewed online at the Department of Public Service web page: www.dps.ny.gov. The Commission may adopt, reject or modify, in whole or in part, the action proposed and may resolve related matters.

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Public comment will be received until: 60 days after publication of this notice.

Regulatory Impact Statement, Regulatory Flexibility Analysis, Rural Area Flexibility Analysis and Job Impact Statement

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### AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS, DEPARTMENT OF

- **AAM-12-20-00006-P** 01/12 00001 P
  - Subject Matter: Calibrating and testing of certain weights and measures standards and devices.
  - Purpose of Action: To allow the Dept. to increase the fees it charges in calibrating and testing certain weights & measures standards and devices.

### ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, OFFICE OF

- **ASA-19-20-00001-RP** 05/13 01/12 00001 P
  - Subject Matter: General service standards applicable to outpatient substance use disorder programs.
  - Purpose of Action: To set-forth the minimum regulatory requirements for certified outpatient substance use disorder treatment programs.
- **ASA-28-20-00013-P** 07/15 01/12 00001 P
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  - Purpose of Action: To set-forth the minimum regulatory requirements for patient rights in OASAS certified, funded or otherwise authorized programs.
- **ASA-28-20-00014-P** 07/15 01/12 00001 P
  - Subject Matter: Specialized Services.
  - Purpose of Action: To replace the term “chemical dependence” with “addiction”.
- **ASA-28-20-00016-P** 07/15 01/12 00001 P
  - Subject Matter: Designated Services.
  - Purpose of Action: To set-forth the minimum regulatory requirements for certified programs to seek an Office designation.

### AUDIT AND CONTROL, DEPARTMENT OF

- **AAC-43-20-00004-P** 10/28 01/21 00001 P
  - Subject Matter: Budgets and Financial Plan Format of Public Authorities.
  - Purpose of Action: Conform regulations related to the submission of annual budgets and financial plans to the Public Authorities Reform Act of 2009.

### CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, OFFICE OF

- **CFS-46-19-00002-RP** 03/03 01/21 00001 P
  - Subject Matter: Behavioral health services, elimination of room isolation and authority to operate de-escalation rooms.
  - Purpose of Action: To implement standards for behavioral health services and the operation of de-escalation rooms and to eliminate room isolation.
- **CFS-04-20-00009-P** 01/28 01/21 00001 P
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STATEN ISLAND RAPID TRANSIT OPERATING AUTHORITY

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09/30/21
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To safeguard the public health and safety by amending rules to require the use of masks when using terminals and stations.

TAXATION AND FINANCE, DEPARTMENT OF

TAF-46-20-00003-P
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Fuel use tax on motor fuel and diesel motor fuel and the art. 13-A carrier tax jointly administered therewith
To set the sales tax component and the composite rate per gallon for the period January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021

TAF-51-20-00002-EP
12/23/21
Metropolitan Transportation Business Tax Surcharge
To provide metropolitan transportation business tax rate for tax year 2021

TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE, OFFICE OF

TDA-16-20-00012-P
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To implement the NYSCAP, a new combined application project for recipients of Supplemental Security Income benefits, who have been designated as Live-Alone by the Social Security Administration and the State-funded SSI State Supplement Program

TDA-26-20-00007-P
07/01/21
Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Additional State Payments
To clarify who participates, the intended uses for benefits, that benefits won’t be issued once a death is verified, time frames to report and circumstances when underpayment/retroactive benefits will issue, and NYS operates SSP under State rules

TDA-39-20-00024-EP
09/30/21
Standard Utility Allowances (SUAs) for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
These regulatory amendments set forth the federally-approved SUAs as of 10/1/20

TDA-46-20-00002-P
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Payment access cards
To update State regulations pertaining to payment access cards to align with Part V of Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2020

THRUWAY AUTHORITY, NEW YORK STATE

THR-42-20-00013-P
10/21/21
Amend the Authority’s rules in relation to Grand Island Bridges sidewalks and Governor Mario M Cuomo Bridge Shared Use Path
To regulate certain activities on the Grand Island Bridges sidewalks and Governor Mario M Cuomo Bridge Shared Use Path

TRIBOROUGH BRIDGE AND TUNNEL AUTHORITY

TBA-50-20-00005-P
exempt
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WCB-23-20-00004-P
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Education Department

Pursuant to section 202-d of the State Administrative Procedure Act, the State Education Department presents its regulatory agenda for calendar year 2021. All section and part references are to Title 8 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations. The State Education Department reserves the right to add, delete or modify, without further notice, except as required by the State Administrative Procedure Act, any item or information presented herein as relating to the 2021 Regulatory Agenda.

OFFICE OF P-12 EDUCATION

Amendment of section 100.2(i) of the Commissioner’s Regulations to allow the reporting of complaints about the use of corporal punishment by BOCES, district or charter school personnel to be done once a year. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment to section 100.2(y)(3) to require that school districts, when notifying parents that students are not residents of the district, must, wherever practicable, specify which district they may be entitled to enroll in. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment to Section 100.5(b) to allow districts to develop and implement Arts and Health coursework and curriculum without the approval of the State Education Department. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.3 of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to the PreK-4 Program requirements to reflect the adoption of the new and revised Learning Standards. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.4 of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to program requirements in grades 5-6 to reflect the adoption of the new and revised Learning Standards. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendments to section 100.2(l) of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to school conduct and discipline to address the topics of progressive discipline, restorative practices, and equity in school discipline. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendments to section 100.5(d)(8) regarding requirements for the award of make-up credit to include educational programs administered or supervised by a state agency. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendments to section 100.5(d)(9) regarding requirements for independent study to include educational programs administered or supervised by a state agency. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.4(d) of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to grade eight acceleration for diploma credit. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 100.5(a), (b) and (c) of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to graduation and diploma requirements. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment to section 100.10(h) of the Commissioner’s Regulations to expand and/or modify the list of annual assessments to be utilized by home instructed students. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Addition of section 100.22 of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to students in foster care. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 114.3 of the Commissioner’s Regulations related to bidding exemptions for direct purchasing to include a board of cooperative educational services. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 117 of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to diagnostic screening for students who are new entrants, or who have low test scores in reading or mathematics. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 119.1 of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to financing of charter schools to correct a citation and address statutory changes. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 119.4 of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to the location and timelines for charter school hearings. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 119.5 of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to charter school preferences. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Addition of a new Part 123 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education relating to the requirements for a basic educational data system code for nonpublic school sites. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 125 of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to the requirements for the voluntary registration of nonpublic nursery schools and kindergartens. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 144.11 of the Commissioner’s Regulations to eliminate the requirement that school districts have an Early Grade Class Size Reduction Plan. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Subpart 151-1 of the Commissioner’s Regulations to consolidate and update the provisions governing the Universal Pre-kindergarten Program, consistent with statutory amendments and program implementation. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 155.12 of the Regulations of the Commis-
sioner of Education relating to lease approval and building aid for
leased school buildings and facilities by school districts. A regulatory
flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility
analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 155.17 of the Regulations of the Commis-
sioner of Education relating to annual training requirements for staff.
A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility
analysis may be required.

Repeal of section 155.22 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of
Education relating to Qualified Zone Academy Bonds and Qualified
School Construction Bonds. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local
government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 155.23 of the Regulations of the Commis-
sioner of Education relating to multi-year cost allowance. A regulatory
flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility
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Addition of Section 175.14 of the Commissioner’s Regulations Re-
lating to the reimbursement for prekindergarten pupils under the
McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

Amendment of sections 200.1(x), 200.5(j) and 200.16(h) of the
Commissioner’s Regulations relating to the impartial due process,
hearing procedures, including the provisions relating to prehearing
conferences and impartial hearing officer qualifications and impartial-
ity, and as may be necessary to conform to State statute. A regulatory
flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility
analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 200.2 of the Regulations of the Commis-
sioner of Education relating to least restrictive environment place-
ments of students with disabilities. A regulatory flexibility analysis for
local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of 200.5(l) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of
Education relating to appeals of State complaint findings. A regulatory
flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility
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Amendment of sections 200.7 and 200.16 of the Commissioner’s
Regulations relating to preschool program approval for school
districts, as may be necessary to conform to changes to State statute. A regulatory
flexibility analysis for local government and a rural flex-
bility analysis may be required.

Amendment of sections 200.7(b) and 200.13 of the Commissioner’s
Regulations relating to length of school day. A regulatory flexibility
analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may
be required.

Amendment of Section 200.9 of the Commissioner’s Regulations
relating to tuition rates for approved special class integrated setting
programs. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 200.16(i) of the Commissioner’s Regulations
relating to preschool continuum of services and preschool inclu-
sion in early childhood programs. A regulatory flexibility analysis for
local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 200.21(b) of the Commissioner’s Regulations
relating to procedures for the suspension or revocation of
impartial hearing officer certification. A regulatory flexibility analysis for
local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 3.16(c)(1) of the Rules of the Board of
Regents to update delegation of authority with respect to the approval
of changes to certain charter school revisions. A regulatory flexibility
analysis for local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may
be required.

Amendment of section 3.17(a)(3) of the Rules of the Board of
Regents to update the revocation proceeding and to allow the Board of
Regents to appoint a representative to hear oral arguments on behalf
of the Board of Regents and to make a determination in regard to such
oral argument. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government
and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 3.17(a)(3) of the Rules of the Board of
Regents to update the revocation proceeding to revoke the certificate
of incorporation after the assets of the education corporations have
been discharged. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government
and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Agency Representative:
Information may be obtained, and written comments may be
submitted, concerning any of the above proposed amendments by
contacting: Kimberly Young Wilkins, Deputy Commissioner for P12
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1954, nysedp12@nysed.gov

OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION
Amendment of section 50.1 of the Commissioner’s Regulations to
include a definition of a remedial course and a compensatory course
as needed under sections 6451 and 6452 of the Education Law. A rural
area flexibility analysis and regulatory flexibility analysis may be
required.

Amendment of Parts 50 and 52 of the Commissioner’s Regulations
concerning registration of undergraduate and graduate postsecondary
curricula. A rural area flexibility analysis and regulatory flexibility
analysis may be required.

Amendment of Parts 50 and 80 of the Commissioner’s Regulations
to require all prospective teachers to complete coursework on English
Language Learner instructional needs, co-teaching strategies, and
integrating language and content instruction for English Language
Learners. A regulatory flexibility analysis for local government and a rural
area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 53 of the Commissioner’s Regulations concern-
ing information for students and prospective students. A rural area
flexibility analysis and regulatory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 50.1(l) of the Commissioner’s Regulations
to revise the definition of “university.” A rural area flexibility analysis
and regulatory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of Part 4 of the Rules of the Board of Regents concern-
ing voluntary institutional accreditation for Title IV purposes, to align
with federal requirements. A rural area flexibility analysis and regula-
tory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 3.12(e) of the Rules of the Board of Regents
concerning the composition of the institutional accreditation appeals
board. A rural area flexibility analysis and regulatory flexibility analy-
sis may be required.

Amendment of section 3.56 of the Rules of the Board of Regents
concerning consent of the Board of Regents to operation in New York
by institutions of higher education operating outside of New York to
revise the definition of program, to clarify the terms concerning ap-
proval of additional programs, and to clarify the terms concerning the
submission of new applications. A rural area flexibility analysis and regulatory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 49-2 of the Commissioner’s Regulations
concerning approval of out-of-state post-secondary institutions to of-
fer distance education to New York State residents to revise provisions
concerning financial responsibility index score, waiver of eligibility
requirements, and the timeframe by which an institution that has been
disapproved, may reapply to the department. A rural area flexibility
analysis and regulatory flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 52.2(f) of the Commissioner’s Regulations
specifying the academic content of a transcript prepared by an
Institution of higher education. A regulatory flexibility analysis for
local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of sections 52.21 and 80-3.7 of the Commissioner’s
Regulations relating to the content core requirement for the computer
science certificate in teacher preparation programs and the individual
evaluation pathway to certification. A regulatory flexibility analysis for
local government and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment of section 80-5.5 of the Commissioner’s Regulations
relating to the employment of retired employees and eligibility for
section 211 waivers. A regulatory flexibility analysis and a rural flex-
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Amendment of Part 63 of the Commissioner’s Regulations to add a new profession entitled “registered pharmacy technicians,” to establish educational and other licensure requirements for registered pharmacy technicians and to protect the title “registered pharmacy technician.” A regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

Amendment to section 52.14 and 73.1 of the Commissioner’s Regulations relating to the preprofessional educational admission requirements for colleges of chiropractic. A regulatory flexibility analysis for small businesses and a rural area flexibility analysis may be required.

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Department of Environmental Conservation

Introduction
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Division of Air Resources
6 NYCRR Part 200, “General Provisions.” Section 200.1 will be amended to update the definition for volatile organic compound and the associated list of compounds that are not volatile organic compounds. This rulemaking would require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Carlos Mancilla, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York, 12233-3251. Telephone 518-402-8396. Email: air.reg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 200, “General Provisions.” Section 200.10 will be amended to incorporate reference the United States Environmental Protection Agency’s Outer Continental Shelf Air Regulations, 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 55. This rulemaking would require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Steve Yarrington, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York, 12233-3254. Telephone 518-402-8403. Email: air.reg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 200, “General Provisions.” Section 200.10 will be amended to update the list of federal air regulations for which the Department has incorporated by reference. This rulemaking would require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Steve Yarrington, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York, 12233-3254. Telephone 518-402-8403. Email: air.reg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 203, “Oil and Gas Sector Emissions.” This is a new regulation to reduce methane emissions and associated volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions from the oil and gas sector. This regulation is part of the State’s Methane Reduction Plan and will also address and expand upon the United States Environmental Protection Agency’s control technique guideline for VOC emissions from this sector. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Ona Papageorgiou, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3251. Telephone: 518-402-8396. E-mail: air.reg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 206, “State Aid for General Air Pollution Control Work, New York City” is obsolete and will be repealed. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Amanda Chudow, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3251. Telephone: 518-402-8396. E-mail: air.reg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 212, “Process Operations.” This proposal will repeal Subpart 212-4, “Control of Nitrogen Oxides for Hot Mix Asphalt Production Plants” and create a new regulation to specifically address the emissions of particulate, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides (SOx) and High Toxicity Air Contaminants (HTAC) such as formaldehyde, benzene and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. The anticipated regulation will enact stricter requirements for new sources built after the applicability date while addressing emissions from existing facilities with requirements that are easily implemented, from Region to Region. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis and a Job Impact Analysis. Contact: Steven DeSantis, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3251. Telephone: 518-402-8402. E-mail: air.reg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 218, “Revisions to Part 218, Emission Standards For Motor Vehicles and Motor Vehicle Engines,” and Section 200.9 (incorporation by reference) to incorporate the State of California’s Advanced Clean Truck (ACT) regulation, Heavy-duty Low NOx Omnibus regulation, and existing heavy-duty vehicle emission standards. This adoption of California’s medium-duty criteria pollutant standards and adopt California’s heavy-duty criteria and greenhouse gas standards, along with its emissions warranty and recall standards. Adoption of these California regulations is necessary to maintain identicality for a given weight class as required by Section 177 of the federal Clean Air Act. These amendments will be effective starting with model year 2025, which begins as early as January 2, 2024. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: James Symon, P.E., New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-3255. Telephone: 518-402-8292. E-mail: air.reg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 220: Revisions to Subpart 220-1, “Portland Cement Plants,” will include minor changes to better align with federal regulations and reduce monitoring costs. Subpart 220-3, “Hot Mix Asphalt Plants,” will be a new regulation, replacing Subpart 212-4, to reduce criteria and non-criteria pollutants and associated air permits. Subpart 220-3 is intended to streamline compliance for this source category while requiring best available control technologies. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Mike Miliani, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3254. Telephone: 518-402-8403. E-mail: air.reg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when e-mailing.

6 NYCRR Subpart 228-3, “Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Repair and Refinishing” (MVMERR). NVMERR requirements will be moved from existing Subpart 228-1, “Spray Painting Facilities” into new Subpart 228-3. The volatile organic compound limits for MVMERR categories will be reduced as a result of this rulemaking. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Marie Barnes, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3251. Telephone: 518-402-8396. E-mail: air.reg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 247, “Outdoor Wood Boilers.” The existing regulation will be amended to address revised emission standards and emerging certification testing methods for residential wood combustion devices. As a result, new Part 247 will encompass a wider range of appliances compared to the existing rule. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Kenneth
Newark, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7251. Telephone: 518-402-8396. E-mail: airregs@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 250, “Miscellaneous Orders” is obsolete and will be repealed. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Amanda Chudow, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3251. Telephone: 518-402-8396. E-mail: airregs@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 256, “Air Quality Classification Systems” is obsolete and will be repealed. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Amanda Chudow, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3251. Telephone: 518-402-8396. E-mail: airregs@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Parts 260-317, “Albany County, Allegany County, Broome County, Cattaraugus County, Cayuga County, Chautauqua County, Chemung County, Columbia County, Cortland County, Delaware County, Dutchess County, Erie County, Essex County, Franklin County, Genesee County, Greene County, Hamilton County, Herkimer County, Jefferson County, Lewis County, Livingston County, Madison County, Monroe County, Montgomery County, Nassau County, New York City, Niagara County, Oneida County, Onondaga County, Ontario County, Orange County, Orleans County, Oswego County, Otsego County, Putnam County, Rensselaer County, Rockland County, St. Lawrence County, Saratoga County, Schenectady County, Schoharie County, Schuyler County, Seneca County, Steuben County, Suffolk County, Sullivan County, Tioga County, Tompkins County, Ulster County, Warren County, Washington County, Wayne County, Westchester County, Wyoming County, and Yates County,” respectively under Subchapter C: “Air Quality Area Classifications,” are obsolete and will be repealed. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Amanda Chudow, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3251. Telephone: 518-402-8396. E-mail: airregs@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

Division of Environmental Permits

6 NYCRR Part 621, Uniform Procedure Act (UPA). Part 621 was last substantially amended in 2006. Since that time several statutes and regulations that interface with Part 621 have been changed or amended. The Department proposes to update the main text of Part 621 to align with those changes. Also, several clarifications and corrections are proposed to correct inaccurate references and clarify permitting procedures. This rule making will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: James Eldred, Environmental Analyst, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Environmental Permits, 625 Broadway, 4th Floor, Albany, NY 12233-1750. Telephone: 518-402-9158. E-mail: derweb@dec.ny.gov.

Division of Environmental Remediation

6 NYCRR Part 375 (Subparts 375-1 to 375-4, and 375-6), Environmental Remediation Programs. The Department proposes to amend subparts 375-1 to 375-4, and 375-6 to: (1) incorporate legislative mandates which modify the tax incentives offered under the brownfield cleanup program (BCP); (2) incorporate the provision introduced in that legislation that a property is not eligible for the program unless the site “requires remediation,” which would be defined in these regulations; (3) incorporate needed changes, clarifications, and modifications to the regulations based on the experience developed during the first decade of implementing the BCP. These changes would increase consistency across remedial programs administered by the Division of Environmental Remediation and provide the Department with the tools necessary to more effectively implement the programs; and (4) incorporate soil cleanup objective (SCO) changes, if any, resulting from the statutorily required five-year review. This rule making will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: William Ottaway, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Environmental Remediation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7200. Telephone: 518-402-9553. E-mail: derweb@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Part 375’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

6 NYCRR Parts 596, 597, 598, and 599, Chemical Bulk Storage Regulations. In this second phase of rulemaking for revisions to the Chemical Bulk Storage (CBS) regulations, the Department proposes to amend Part 597 to update the list of hazardous substances and clarify the spill reporting requirements. The Department also proposes to repeal Parts 596, 598, and 599 and replace them with a new Part 598 to: (1) achieve equivalency with 40 CFR Part 280 (Underground Storage Tank regulations), which is needed in order for the State to receive State Program Approval from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) by incorporating new requirements from the federal regulations that the EPA promulgated in their July 2015 rule making; and (2) incorporate State-initiated changes pertaining to the administration of the CBS program and its consistency with the Petroleum Bulk Storage program, where applicable. This rule making will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Frank Bondi, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Environmental Remediation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7200. Telephone: 518-402-9553. E-mail: derweb@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘parts 597 and 598’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

6 NYCRR Part 610, Certification of Onshore Major Facilities [Major Oil Storage Facility (MOSF) Regulations]. The Department proposes to repeal and replace Part 610 to: (1) incorporate appropriate language from the New York State Department of Transportation regulations; (2) repeal 17 NYCRR Parts 30, 31 and 32, that pertains to the administration of the MOSF program, which has been solely handled by the Department since 1985; (2) repeal 17 NYCRR Parts 30, 31 and 32; (3) improve the consistency and clarity of language directing the administration of the MOSF program, which would make explicit in regulation the procedures for licensing MOSFs; and (4) enhance monitoring, maintenance, procedures, and equipment requirements to prevent leaks and spills. This rule making will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Amiel Lagatic, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Environmental Protection, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7020. Telephone: 518-402-9553. E-mail: derweb@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Part 610’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

6 NYCRR Part 611, Environmental Priorities and Procedures in Petroleum Cleanup and Removal. The Department proposes to repeal and replace Part 611 to incorporate requirements from Article 12 of the Navigation Law, which prohibits the discharge of petroleum and provides for cleanup and removal of any petroleum discharge. This rule making will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: James Eldred, Environmental Analyst, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Environmental Remediation, 625 Broadway, 4th Floor, Albany, NY 12233-1750. Telephone: 518-402-9158. E-mail: derweb@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Part 610’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

6 NYCRR Part 613, Petroleum Bulk Storage Regulations. In this second phase of rulemaking for revisions to the Petroleum Bulk Storage (PBS) regulations, the Department proposes to amend Part 613 to: (1) achieve equivalency with 40 CFR Part 280 (Underground Storage Tank regulations), which is needed in order for the State to receive State Program Approval from EPA by incorporating new requirements from the federal regulations that the EPA promulgated in their July 2015 rule making; (2) clarify language with respect to reporting requirements; and (3) incorporate State-initiated changes pertaining to the administration of the PBS program and its consistency with the CBS program, where applicable. This rule making will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: William Ottaway, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Environmental Remediation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7200. Telephone: 518-402-9553. E-mail: derweb@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Part 611’ in the subject line when e-mailing.
Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Amiel Lagatic, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Environmental Remediation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-7020. Telephone: 518-402-9553. E-mail: derweb@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Part 613’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

Division of Fish and Wildlife

6 NYCCR Parts 1.11, 1.13, 1.18, 1.19, 1.20, 1.27, 1.30 and 2.1. Pertaining to deer hunting, the issuance and use of deer hunting tags, deer management focus areas, deer management permits, deer management assistance program, and hunting hours. Statutory Authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 11-0303, 11-0903, 11-0907. Existing regulations will be updated to implement portions of the newly revised New York State Deer Management Plan including modifications to hunting seasons to better align with deer population objectives in some parts of the state. Regulations would not be proposed and published for public review until the revised management plan is adopted by the Department. Contact: Michael Schiavone, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4754. Phone: 518-402-8883. E-mail: wildlifereg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Part 1, Section 1.40 Pertaining to hunting wild turkey. Statutory Authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 11-0303, 11-0903, 11-0907. The existing regulation will be updated to establish a spring wild turkey hunting season in Suffolk County. Contact: Michael Schiavone, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4754. Telephone: 518-402-8883. E-mail: wildlifereg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Sections 6.2 Pertaining to fish trapping seasons and bag limits. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 3-0301, 11-0303, 11-0917, 11-1101, 11-1103, and 11-1105. The existing regulation will be updated to repeal the requirement for trappers to obtain a special permit for fisher and marten. After five years of data collection, this permit is no longer required. A trapping license would still be required to pursue these species as required by law. Contact: Michael Schiavone, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4754. Telephone: 518-402-8883. E-mail: wildlifereg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Part 51, Public use of State Wildlife Management Areas. Statutory Authority: ECL 1-0101, 3-0301, 9-0105, and 11-2101. DEC is proposing to amend 6 NYCCR Part 51 to more clearly identify public use compatible with the purposes of the Wildlife Management Areas for wildlife dependent recreation and wildlife conservation. Where appropriate, revisions will more closely mirror provisions in 6 NYCRR Part 197 Use of state lands. These amendments may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses or a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Marcelo DelPuerto, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4754. Telephone: 518-402-8883. E-mail: wildlifereg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Part 10, pertaining to Trout Stream Fishing Regulations. The Department will propose a revision of trout stream fishing regulations to reduce the number of regulation variations and align regulations with specific fisheries management objectives. These amendments may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses or a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Gregory Kozlowski, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Bureau of Fisheries, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233. Telephone: 518-402-8896. E-mail: gregory.kozlowski@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Parts 10 and 36, pertaining to American Eel Fishing Regulations. The Department will propose a revision in regulations to prohibit the commercial and recreational harvest and possession of American Eel in all inland waters except for the Hudson River below the Federal Dam in Troy. These amendments may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses or a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Gregory Kozlowski, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Bureau of Fisheries, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233. Telephone: 518-402-8896. E-mail: gregory.kozlowski@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Part 177, Sporting License Issuance and Use. Amend current regulations to update proof of qualifications for certain licenses to be consistent with updated procedures and potential changes necessary to issue sporting licenses as part of a statewide, shared services electronic licensing system that is currently under development. Also, amend current regulations concerning the description of what constitutes a license issued by DEC to allow for electronic sporting licenses to be carried and presented via electronic device(s). This amendment may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses or a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Mary Bailey, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Fish and Wildlife, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4750. Telephone: 518-402-8896. E-mail: mary.bailey@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Part 182, Section 182.5, Pertaining to endangered species, threatened species, and species of special concern. The existing regulation will be revised to update the list of endangered, threatened and special concern species based on the best available data. The current list has not been vetted for necessary changes since 1999, with only mandatory changes based on Federal listing decisions occurring over the last twenty years. This rule making will require a Job Impact Statement, a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Daniel Rosenblatt, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4754. Telephone: 518-402-8884. E-mail: wildlifereg@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

Division of Forest Protection

6 NYCCR Part 197, Part 197 will be amended to clarify the License to Guide application criteria and review procedure for new applica-
tions and renewals. The amendment will also increase the guide license fee for out of state residents to the statutory maximum of two-hundred dollars per license. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments. Contact: Colleen Kayser, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-2560. Telephone: 518-402-8838. Email: colleen.kayser@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

Office of General Counsel

6 NYCCR Part 175, Special Licenses and Permits-Definitions and Uniform Procedures. Part 175 will be amended to include a new section, St. Regis Canoe Area. These regulations will protect the state forest by prohibiting certain activities. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Peter J. Frank, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4254, Telephone: (518) 473-9518, E-mail: peter.frank@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCCR Part 190, Use of State Lands. Amend Part 190 to include a new section, Forest Preserve Health and Safety Land Account and Utility Lines/Bicycle Paths. These regulations, authorized by amendments to Article XIV of the New York State Constitution, establish a “land account” for forest preserve land that can be used for certain types of public health and safety projects and for burial of utility lines in certain corridors crossing forest preserve lands as well as allowing bicycle trails in these corridors. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Peter Frank, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4254, Telephone: (518) 473-9518E-mail: peter.frank@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCCR Part 190, Use of State Lands. Amend section 190.35, Peekamoose Valley Riparian Corridor to expand the permit requirement to protect public safety and natural resources. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Peter Frank, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4254, Telephone: (518) 473-9518, E-mail: peter.frank@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCCR Part 190, Use of State Lands. Amend Part 190 to include a new section, Camp Pine, Sundown Wild Forest to protect public safety and natural resources. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Peter Frank, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4254, Telephone: (518) 473-9518, E-mail: peter.frank@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCCR Part 193, Trees and Plants. Amend section 193.3, Protected Native Plants by updating the lists of endangered, threatened, and exploitable vulnerable plants to reflect changes in population status that have occurred since the last update in 2012. Scientific names will also be updated to reflect current taxonomic nomenclature. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Jason Denham, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4254, Telephone: (518) 402-9436, E-mail: jason.denham@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCCR Part 193, Trees and Plants. Amend sections 193.4, Definitions, 193.5, Collection, Sale and Conservation of American Ginseng in New York, and 193.6, Certification of Ginseng Dealers. The purpose of the proposed regulation is to allow for the harvest and sale of “wild simulated” ginseng. In addition, consider adding a license requirement for legal ginseng harvest and changing the minimum plant age for the legal harvest of wild ginseng. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis may be prepared. Contact: Jason Denham, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4254, Telephone: (518) 402-9436, E-mail: jason.denham@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCCR Part 195, Permits for the Erection and Maintenance of Signs, Advertising Structures and Devices in the Catskill Park. These regulations will allow a modest increase in the size of signs and the distance of signs from businesses. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Peter Innes, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4250, Telephone: (518) 402-9405, E-mail: peter.innes@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCCR Part 196, Operation of Motorized Vehicles, Vessels, Aircraft and Motorized Equipment in the Forest Preserve. Amend section 196.7, Operation of Bicycles in the Adirondack and Catskill Forest Preserve. These regulations will update this section, including the existing list of forest preserve areas where bicycles are prohibited. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Peter Frank, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4254, Telephone: (518) 473-9518, E-mail: peter.frank@dec.ny.gov
6 NYCRR Part 196, Operation of Motorized Vehicles, Vessels, Aircraft and Motorized Equipment in the Forest Preserve. Amend section 196.5, Operation of Motorized Equipment in Wilderness, Primitive Bicycle Corridor and Canoe Areas within the Adirondack and Catskill Forest Preserve. These regulations will update this section, including establishing a list where motorized equipment is prohibited on existing forest preserve units and newly classified forest preserve units. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Peter Frank, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4254, Telephone: (518) 473-9518, E-mail: peter.frank@dec.ny.gov.

6 NYCRR Part 199, Taxation of Forest Land. Amend the existing regulations to update them and provide effective administration of the program by lessening the administrative burden on participants and provide clarity for addressing issues and situations that arise due to changing circumstances associated with private forest land ownership. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Robert Messenger, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4255, Telephone: (518) 402-9428, E-mail: robert.messenger@dec.ny.gov.

6 NYCRR Part 575, Prohibited and Regulated Invasive Species. Amend sections 575.3, Prohibited Invasive Species and 575.4, Regulated Invasive Species to update these lists and establish control and management of listed prohibited or regulated invasive species. The purpose of this Part is to establish procedures to identify and classify invasive species and to establish a permit system to restrict the sale, purchase, possession, propagation, introduction, importation, and transport of invasive species in New York, as part of the Department of Environmental Conservation’s statewide invasive species management program, as required by ECL sections 9-1709 and 71-0703. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Justin Perry, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4254, Telephone: (518) 402-9436, E-mail: justin.perry@dec.ny.gov.

6 NYCRR Part 592, Procedure for Modification or Extinguishment of a Conservation Easement held by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. Amend section 592.3 to clarify language regarding a net conservation benefit to the state. A Regulatory Flexibility Analysis and Rural Area Flexibility Analysis will be prepared. Contact: Jim Sessions, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4254, Telephone: (518) 473-9518, E-mail: jim.sessions@dec.ny.gov.

Division of Marine Resources

6 NYCRR Part 10, Sportfishing Regulations. The Department is proposing amendments that pertain to the management of diadromous fish, including striped bass in the Hudson River and tributaries north of the George Washington Bridge, to maintain compliance with the interstate fishery management plan developed by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. Proposed amendments could include changes to the season, minimum size limit, possession limit and the manner of take. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: John Manisalcalco, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Marine Resources, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733, Telephone: 631-444-0430. E-mail: john.maniscalco@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 11, More than One Species. The Department is proposing amendments that pertain to the management of diadromous species. The purpose of these regulations is to protect and to maintain the health of these fish stocks. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: John Manisalcalco, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Marine Resources, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733, Telephone: 631-444-0430. E-mail: john.maniscalco@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 18, Taking Bait. The Department is proposing amendments that pertain to the management of diadromous fishes to take as bait for sportfishing through the use of fishing devices. The amendments are needed for New York State to remain in compliance with fishery management plans developed by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission or as directed in the Federal Sustainable Fisheries Act for such species. These amendments will also comply with the requirements of Environmental Conservation Law regarding the management of anadromous species. The purpose of these regulations is to protect and to maintain the health of these fish stocks. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: John Manisalcalco, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Marine Resources, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733, Telephone: 631-444-0430. E-mail: john.maniscalco@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 19, Use of Bait, Fish for Bait, and Bait Fish. The Department is proposing an amendment to define in-line circle hooks. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: John Manisalcalco, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Marine Resources, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733, Telephone: 631-444-0430. E-mail: john.maniscalco@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 35, Licenses. The Department proposes to establish new reporting requirements for certain inland commercial fishery license holders, consistent with those in Part 40 for the same regulated species. The Department also proposes to reduce the number of types of licenses issued and to increase the fees charged for certain licenses. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: John Manisalcalco, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Marine Resources, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733, Telephone: 631-444-0430. E-mail: john.maniscalco@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 36, Gear and Operation of Gear. The Department is proposing amendments that pertain to the management of diadromous fishes in the Hudson and Delaware Rivers and are needed to maintain compliance with fishery management plans developed by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) or as directed in the Federal Sustainable Fisheries Act for such species. The amendments will also comply with the requirements of Environmental Conservation Law regarding the management of anadromous species. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: John Manisalcalco, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Marine Resources, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733, Telephone: 631-444-0430. E-mail: john.maniscalco@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 40, Marine Fish. The Department proposes to amend regulations pertaining to the management of marine and diadromous fishes, including striped bass, to maintain compliance with fishery management plans developed by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC), or with the requirements of Environmental Conservation Law, or pursuant to the Federal Sustainable Fisheries Act for such species. Proposed amendments will also provide compliance with National Marine Fisheries Service requirements and other federal laws. The Department proposes to amend the regulations to
define what methods are allowed for recreational anglers to take fish, including requirements related to the use of circle hooks. The Department proposes amendments to reporting requirements for State licensed harvesters; to create a definition for proof of residency and establish requirements for providing such proof of residency when obtaining marine license and permits. The Department proposes to amend reporting and record keeping requirements for State licensed harvesters who also hold federal harvesting licenses. The amendment would require federal license holders to advise the Department if they are required to report to any federal agencies. In addition, the amendment would clarify reporting requirements specific to federal Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) permits. The Department proposes to amend reporting requirements for Marine and Coastal District Party and Charter Boat License holders to require weekly reporting. The Department proposes to amend the striped bass and summer flounder commercial fishing special regulations to replace qualifications for permits and make changes to striped bass commercial fishing permit reissuance and striped bass commercial permit tag provisions. New regulations would be proposed to make changes in the summer flounder commercial fishing special regulations to add language for re-qualification similar to that in the striped bass commercial fishing special regulations. The Department proposes to adopt regulations to establish a commercial eel permit with reporting requirements statewide, and to extend coverage by the general provisions of this part to include Rockland and Putnam Counties and ensure that commercial possession and sale is covered statewide. The Department proposes to amend commercial fishing regulations for American eel to establish quota-based fishing limits and closures. The Department proposes to adopt regulations which will require the use of bait bags when fishing with eel pots. The Department proposes to change the open season for striped bass commercial fishing. The Department proposes to adopt changes to the shipping, labeling and packing requirements to require harvester’s fishing vessel trip report numbers on labels for quota managed species and adopt regulations to clarify provision for records retention by food fish shippers and dealers. The Department proposes amendments to establish seasonal area gear closures to decrease bycatch of Atlantic sturgeon. The Department proposes to adopt gear and manner of take restrictions for the shore-based shark fishery to discourage fishing on prohibited shark species. The Department also proposes to adopt handling requirements for recreational shark anglers to maximize the chances of survival of sharks being released. The Department proposes additional regulations that ensure New York State commercial and recreational fishermen remain in compliance with NOAA shark fishery requirements. The Department proposes amendments to establish rules pertaining to commercial tautog tag issuance, allocation, and accountability. The Department also proposes regulations governing the application of tags, the sale and possession of tagged and untagged fish, and reporting/record keeping requirements for harvesters and dealers as it pertains to tagged tautog. The Department proposes rules to implement gillnet gear restrictions and marking requirements in the state ocean waters off the south shore of Long Island to comply with the federal Marine Mammal Protection Act. The Department proposes to adopt regulations that implement a northern puffer fish minimum size limit for recreational fisheries. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: John Maniscalco, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Marine Resources, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0430. E-mail: john.maniscalco@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Part 41, Sanitary Condition of Shellfish Lands. As necessary, the Department will propose to amend regulations that specify the classification (certified or uncertified) of shellfish lands. These amendments are necessary to protect public health by designating lands that do not meet State water quality criteria as uncertified or closed to shellfish harvesting. Shellfish lands that meet the water quality criteria are designated as certified (open) for the taking of shellfish. The Department also proposes that shellfish lands that have not been subject to a sanitary survey conducted within the previous ten (10) years be designated as uncertified. Shellfish are defined in law as oysters, scallops, and all kinds of clams and mussels. This rulemaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Matt Richards, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0491. E-mail: matt.richards@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Part 42, Sanitary Control Over Shellfish. The Department proposes to amend regulations pertaining to the sanitary, record keeping, and reporting requirements and to require Vibrio control plans and introduce educational requirements, as necessary, to protect public health and allow for the modification of any conditions placed on permit activities after the permit has been issued for shellfish harvesters and shippers needed to comply with the guidelines of the National Shellfish Sanitation Program (NSSP), the federal regulations regarding interstate shipment of shellfish, and the Environmental Conservation Law. The proposed regulations will modify the descriptions of allowable activities under each category of shellfish shipper permits and the harvester permit consistent with the NSSP and the Environmental Conservation Law and amend and clarify descriptions of shellfish harvest areas to clearly delineate geographical sites where shellfish are harvested. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Debra Barnes, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0477. E-mail: debra.barnes@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Part 43, Surfclam/Ocean Quahog Fishery Management. The Department proposes to amend regulations pertaining to the management of surfclams and ocean quahogs that are consistent with the provisions of fishery management plans adopted by the Department and allow for the orderly implementation of any changes to the Environmental Conservation Law for the surfclam fishery. All amendments may describe changes to permit requirements and eligibility, harvest limits, gear restrictions, record keeping, and reporting requirements. This rulemaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Jennifer O’Dwyer, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0489. E-mail: jennifer.odwyer@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCCR Part 44, Lobsters and Crabs. The Department proposes to amend regulations pertaining to the management of lobsters, decapod crabs, and horseshoe crabs to maintain the health of such species and to prevent the introduction of exotic species. These proposed regulations would comply with fishery management plans developed by the Atlantic State Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) for these species and with requirements of the Environmental Conservation Law. The proposed regulations would include general provisions consistent with those found in Part 40. The proposed amendments would establish rules on crab dredging including possible open crab dredge seasons and areas, establish crab pot limits, and revise blue crab size limits. The Department proposes to amend reporting and record keeping requirements for State licensed harvesters to be consistent with the requirements in Part 40. The Department proposes to adopt regulations to implement the new ASMFC Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Jonah Crab which would include a special permit, bycatch limit, gear and/or effort controls and other management measures based on details of the plan. The Department proposes to clarify current language and remove unnecessary regulations. Horseshoe crab regulations will be proposed to allow more control over the harvest and storage of horseshoe crabs. Rules will be developed to better manage the horseshoe crab biomedicine harvest and biomedical users. Rules would also be developed to prohibit the importation, possession and use of Asian horseshoe crabs. ASMFC will be developing an Addendum to the lobster management plan to scale the size of the Southern New England lobster fishery to the size of the resource and
to respond to the continued depletion of the stock. The Department would propose lobster regulations based on the details of the Addendum. The Department would propose rules to prohibit the liberation of non-local crustaceans into New York’s marine district. Rules would be developed to modify lobster trap tag allocations in order to implement trap transferability program. The Department proposes to develop rules to implement lobster gear restrictions and marking requirements to comply with the federal Marine Mammal Protection Act. The Department will also develop rules to establish a registration plan that considers all activities which may pose a significant public health concern, including, but not limited to, shellfish seed production in waters classified as uncertified, aquaculture structures that attract birds or mammals, and aquaculture husbandry practices. This rulingmaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Kim McKown, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Marine Resources, Finfish and Crustaceans Section, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0454. E-mail: kim.mckown@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 45, Transplanting of Shellfish. The Department proposes to amend regulations pertaining to the transplanting of shellfish that are necessary for the protection of the public health, compliance with federal guidelines, and minimum requirements from the National Shellfish Sanitation Program (NSSP) Model Ordinance (MO). The proposed regulations would amend requirements for permits, transplanting of shellfish, periods of transplanting, relay area certification, and establish requirements for recordkeeping and reporting. The proposed regulations would also establish requirements for water quality, shellfish testing, and bacterial reduction (cleansing) studies. This rulingmaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government as well as a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Wade Carden, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0481. E-mail: wade.carden@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 47, Certification of Shellfish Lands. The Department proposes technical amendments that would remove the word “uncertified” where it appears in two subparagraphs that specify the water quality criteria overlying certified shellfish lands. This rulingmaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government as well as a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Matt Richards, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0491. E-mail: matt.richards@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 48, Marine Hatcheries, On-Bottom and Off-Bottom Cultivation of Marine Plant and Animal Life. The Department proposes to amend regulations pertaining to the sale of cultured food fish and other cultured food products for consumption or resale. The proposed regulations would amend requirements for marking and identification of cultivation products in commercial markets, requirements for permits, and record keeping and reporting requirements. The Department proposes to amend regulations pertaining to application standards and requirements for issuance of marine hatchery and on- and/or off-bottom culture permits. This amendment is necessary to ensure that these standards and requirements are consistent with guidelines of the National Shellfish Sanitation Program (NSSP) Model Ordinance (MO), including the applicant’s submission of a written operational plan that considers all activities which may pose a significant public health concern, including, but not limited to, shellfish seed production in waters classified as uncertified, aquaculture structures that attract birds or mammals, and aquaculture husbandry practices. This rulingmaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government as well as a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Wade Carden, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 205 N. Belle Mead Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0481. E-mail: wade.carden@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 49, Shellfish Management. The Department proposes to adopt regulations for the management of hard clams, soft or steamer clams and razor clams. The management measures include provisions for size limits, catch and possession limits, open and closed seasons, closed areas, regulations on the manner of taking and landing, requirements for permits and eligibility, record keeping and identification requirements, requirements on the amount and type of fishing effort and gear, and requirements relating to transportation, possession and sale. The Department proposes to amend regulations pertaining to the possession of oysters of less than legal size which is needed to ensure enforceability and compliance with the minimum size requirements for harvest of wild (natural) oysters in the marine district. This rulingmaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government as well as a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Debra Barnes, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 205 N. Belle Mead Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0477. E-mail: debra.barnes@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

6 NYCRR Part 50, Miscellaneous Marine Species. The Department proposes to adopt new regulations for the protection and management of various other marine species. The immediate need is for the adoption of regulations for the protection and management of whelks (also known as conch, Busycon and Busyctypus spp). These regulations would include size limits, specifications for marking and placement of whelk fishing gear, gear size, baiting and tending rules, bycatch possession rules, trap limits and other regulations necessary to manage the whelk fishery. The Department proposes to amend reporting and record keeping requirements for State license holders to be consistent with the requirements in Part 40. The Department proposes to adopt regulations which would require the use of bags when landing or transporting fish with whelk traps. The Department also proposes to adopt regulations detailing marine mammal and sea turtle viewing restrictions including minimum distance, speed restrictions and prohibition on feeding. This rulingmaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Government and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Kim McKown, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Marine Resources, Finfish and Crustaceans Section, 205 N. Belle Meade Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, New York 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0454. E-mail: kim.mckown@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

Division of Materials Management

6 NYCRR Part 321, Pesticides in Grape Vineyards, Chautauqua County, Northern Townships, Part 322 Pesticides in Grape Vineyards, Niagara County, Part 323 Pesticides In Grape Vineyards, Chautauqua County, Southern Townships, Part 324 Pesticides In Grape Vineyards, Erie County, and Part 325 Application of Pesticides will be repealed and replaced with new Parts 321-325. This rulingmaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments, and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Anthony Lamanno, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-7254. Telephone: 518-402-8727. E-mail: Pestregs@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when e-mailing.

6 NYCRR Part 326 Registration and Classification of Pesticides related to the sale of restricted use pesticides. In addition, Part 326 will be revised to address the registration of minimum risk pesticides. This rulingmaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments, and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Anthony Lamanno, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-7254. Telephone: 518-402-8727. E-mail: Pestregs@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when e-mailing.

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Children’s products to report the presence of any chemical of concern (COC), as identified by the DEC, and high priority chemical (HPC), as identified by the DEC. The law includes various DEC responsibilities, including a requirement to promulgate regulations that contain a list of chemicals of concern by March 1, 2022. DEC must consult with the Department of Health in determining which chemicals should initially be identified as COCs and then periodically thereafter to determine if chemicals should be added or removed from the list of COCs or HPCs. This new rulemaking will add a new proposed Subpart 352-2 Toxic Chemicals in Children’s Products and will include: definitions, a list of COCs, a list of HPCs, the method and frequency of reporting, information that must be included in manufacturer reports, and fees associated with submitting a report or waiver to the DEC. The proposed regulation will also require information that must be included in the notice that manufacturers provide to those who sell or distribute their products within the State about the presence of HPCs in a product, information that must be included in the statement of compliance that manufacturers must provide to DEC upon request, and the frequency and process for periodically reviewing the COC and HPC lists with DOH. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments, and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Emily Dominiak, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7253. Telephone: 518-402-8706. E-mail: TCCProgram@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Subpart 352-2’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

6 NYCRR Part 353, Expanded Polystyrene Foam Container and Polystyrene Loose Fill Packaging Ban. The 2020-2021 State Budget included a new bill which amended Article 27 of the ECL by adding a new Title 30, “Expanded Polystyrene Foam Container and Polystyrene Loose Fill Packaging Ban.” While the law took effect immediately, the ban in Title 30 of Article 27 of the ECL takes effect on January 1, 2022, and will prohibit covered food service providers and stores from selling, offering for sale, or distributing disposable food service containers that contain expanded polystyrene (EPS) foam in New York State, unless the foam containers fall under exemptions specified in the law. The law also prohibits manufacturers or stores from selling, offering for sale, or distributing polystyrene loose fill packaging, commonly known as “packing peanuts,” in New York State. Section 27-3003 authorizes the Department to promulgate regulations to implement the provisions of the law. The Part 353 regulations will include criteria related to what constitutes “comparable costs” pursuant to subdivision two of section 27-3005, as well as details of the hardship waiver process that this subdivision allows certain facilities to request if specific conditions are met. The rulemaking will also include applicable definitions and other criteria needed to clarify or implement the provisions of the law. Contact: Amy Bloomfield, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7253. Telephone (518) 402-8706. E-mail: foamban@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Part 353’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

6 NYCRR Part 360, Solid Waste Series Revisions. The rulemaking will amend the Part 360 Solid Waste Management Facilities Series Regulations that went into effect on November 4, 2017. The rulemaking will include adjustments to Parts 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366 and 369 and include clarifications regarding construction and demolition (C&D) debris processing facilities and also beneficial use of C&D debris. The rulemaking will also simplify the requirements for waste transport of C&D, adjust pre-determined beneficial uses for the use of brine for road spreading and extend the brine beneficial use transition requirements, and add new requirements for the management of waste tires used at farms to secure tarpaulins, which will reduce retention of water while avoiding unnecessary costs to farmers. These revisions will allow the continued operation of facilities that were registered landfills prior to November 4, 2017 for the receipt of tree debris, concrete, asphalt, brick, and uncontaminated soil and rock resulting from land clearing, utility line maintenance and season or storm-related cleanups until entitled capacity is achieved. The rulemaking will implement requirements of state legislation to ensure
5 NYSRR Parts 370, 371 and 374 Addition of Aerosol Cans and Paint to the Universal Waste Rule. The proposed rulemaking amends 6 NYSRR Subpart 374-3: Universal Waste Rule, restrictions on the use of 6 NYSRR Parts 370, 371, 373 and 376 of the hazardous management regulations. Paint and aerosol cans are proposed to be added to the state universal waste rule and management standards specific to paint waste and to aerosol cans are proposed including labeling, accumulation time limits, personnel training, transportation requirements, and specific standards for accumulation and consolidation at collection sites. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments, and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Alison Egbon, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7202. Telephone: 518-402-8651. E-mail: hwregs@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Subpart 374-3 Aerosol Cans and Paint Universal Waste Rule’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

6 NYSRR Part 381, Transports of Low-Level Radioactive Waste. This rulemaking will adopt applicable requirements of the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) regulations. These changes are needed to conform with (NRC) regulation revisions from 2012 through 2017. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments, and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Timothy Rice, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7255. Telephone: 518-402-8651. E-mail: Regs.Radiation@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Part 381’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

6 NYSRR Part 384, Cleanup Criteria for Remediation of Sites Contaminated with Radioactive Material. This rule is being developed to adopt applicable sections of the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission’s (NRC) License Termination Rule (LTR), which establishes cleanup criteria for radiologically contaminated sites, and the Timeliness of Decommissioning Rule, which outlines necessary steps for the planning and implementing of site cleanups. Program staff are coordinating adoption of these rules with the New York State Department of Health and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation to ensure compatibility, as they must also adopt applicable sections of these federal rules. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments, and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Timothy Rice, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7255. Telephone: 518-402-8651. E-mail: Regs.Radiation@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Part 384’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

6 NYSRR Part 483, Hazardous Waste Program Fees. This rulemaking will amend Part 483 to incorporate statutory changes made to the Hazardous Waste Program Fees in Environmental Conservation Law section 72-0402. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Tom Killeen, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7256. Telephone: 518-402-8651. E-mail: dervweb@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Part 483’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

6 NYSRR Part 659, Household Cleansing Product Information Disclosure Requirements. The Department is considering revisions to 6 NYSRR Part 659 to clarify the information manufacturers should provide pursuant to Article 35 and the method by which the information should be provided. Part 659 implements Article 35, which, in part, authorizes the Department to promulgate regulations to require manufacturers of household cleansing products to disclose information regarding such products in a form prescribed by the commissioner. Amendments to the rule will include the addition of applicable definitions, and the addition of provisions which will provide direction on specific information to be disclosed, direction on withholding information deemed confidential, and direction on web posting requirements by which manufacturers should disclose information to ensure that it is easy to find, machine readable, and accessible to all. This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments, and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Emily Dominiak, New York State Department of
Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-7253.
Telephone: 518-402-8706.
E-mail: productdisclosure@dec.ny.gov. Please include ‘Part 659’ in the subject line when e-mailing.

Division of Mineral Resources

6 NYCRR Parts 420, 421, 423, and 425. The Department is proposing to amend 6 NYCRR Parts 420 to 425 to: (1) clarify ambiguous sections; (2) strengthen portions of the regulations; (3) reflect changes in the regulatory fee structure and civil penalties; and (4) reflect changes in scientific knowledge. Amendments to these regulations would be done as one package. The Department is proposing to repeal and replace Part 422 to update requirements regarding the Mined Land-Use Plan.

6 NYCRR Part 420, General. Amend current regulations to expand the definitions to include words used to describe abandonment, technical terms associated with blasting, bluestone, and other terms to ensure consistency with the Mined Land Reclamation Act. Also add regulatory provisions to clarify what projects will be considered construction projects under the Mined Land Reclamation Law.

6 NYCRR Part 421, Permits. Amend current regulations to: (1) add language requiring a mining termination notice to be filed if a complete renewal application is not received within 30 days of the expiration of the permit; (2) add a section codifying the criteria for determining if an excavation is exempt from requiring a mining permit; (3) update the annual regulatory fee schedule to be consistent with the current rates; and (4) restore the alterations and modifications section for proposed changes that are ministerial in nature.

6 NYCRR Part 422, Mined Land-Use Plan. Repeal and replace Part 422 of the current regulations to: (1) revise the language for mined land-use plan requirements; (2) add an expanded section describing the required elements for the graphic portion of the mined land-use plan; and (3) add additional sections addressing dust control, noise control, visual pollution, water resource protection, sediment and erosion control, and blasting.

6 NYCRR Part 423, Reclamation Bond. Amend current regulations to replace the word bond with financial security throughout the section to reflect the variety of financial instruments that may satisfy the need for financial assurance for reclamation.

6 NYCRR Part 425, Civil Penalties. Amend current regulations to change civil penalties amounts to reflect changes made to ECL § 71-1307(1) subsequent to the last revisions to the regulations.

This rulemaking will require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Matthew Podniesinski, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Mineral Resources, 625 Broadway, 3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12233-6500. Telephone: 518-402-8076. E-mail: matthew.podniesinski@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

Division of Water

6 NYCRR Part 502 - Floodplain Management Criteria for State Projects. Revisions would update language to comply with enabling legislation and would update criteria to comply with changes in Federal Emergency Management Agency regulations and New York State Building Code. Part 502 was last updated in 1984. Revisions would include updated definitions, clarifying floodway encroachment requirements, changing lowest floor elevation requirements to reflect the Building Code of New York State, and clarifying the variance application and decision process. This rulemaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Alan Fuchs, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3504. Telephone 518-402-8185. E-mail: alan.fuchs@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCRR Part 505 - Coastal Erosion Management. Part 505 of 6 NYCRR was last amended in March 1988. Revisions would include clarifying definitions, adding new defined terms, and clarifying language regarding regulated activities in natural protective features areas. This rulemaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Alan Fuchs, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3504. Telephone 518-402-8185. E-mail: alan.fuchs@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCRR Part 601 - Water Withdrawal. Revisions are needed to clarify permit exemptions; add new defined terms; clarify language regarding regulated activities; and remove outdated references to Initial Permits. This rulemaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Koon Tang, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-3508. Telephone: 518-402-8086. E-mail: koon.tang@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCRR Part 602 - Long Island Agricultural Water Wells. Revisions are needed to reflect that the permit exemption for agricultural water wells on Long Island was eliminated in 1992 by the introduction of paragraph 7 of ECL section 15-1527; provide an exemption for temporary dewatering wells, remedial wells, and closed loop geothermal systems consistent with Part 601; and remove a regulatory gap for small public water supplies. This rulemaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Alexander Smith, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3502. Telephone 518-402-8287. E-mail: alexander.smith@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCRR Parts 609, and 700 – 706 Water Quality Standards. Revisions would add/revise ambient water quality standards, standard-setting procedures, implementation procedures, and other regulatory provisions. This rulemaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Ryan Waldron, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3506. Telephone: 518-402-8244. E-mail: ryan.waldron@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCRR Part 750 - State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) Permits. Revisions are necessary to incorporate new federal criteria and standards. This rulemaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Carol Lamb-LaFay, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3505. Telephone: 518-402-8111. E-mail: carol.lamb-lafay@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCRR Parts 864, 890, 891 & 935 – Site-Specific Enterococcus Water Quality Criteria – Revisions would add site-specific enterococcus criteria for select waters to improve water quality, protect the public health and increase public enjoyment of these waters. This rulemaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Alexander Smith, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3502. Telephone 518-402-8287. E-mail: alexander.smith@dec.ny.gov

6 NYCRR Part 910 - St. Lawrence River Drainage Basin. Revisions would reclassify surface waters as needed to provide water quality protection consistent with designated uses, as well as the Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 101(a)(2) goals. This rulemaking may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis. Contact: Alexander Smith, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3502. Telephone 518-402-8287. E-mail: alexander.smith@dec.ny.gov
Workers’ Compensation Board

Pursuant to section 202-d of the State Administrative Procedures Act, notice is hereby provided of the following rules which the Workers’ Compensation Board (“the Board”) is considering proposing but for which a rule making proceeding has not been commenced. All references are to Title 12 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations unless otherwise noted. The Board’s regulatory plans are subject to change, and the Board reserves the right to add, delete, or modify any item. The Board is not required to propose for adoption any rule summarized in this regulatory agenda. In addition, the Board may propose a rule for adoption that was not under consideration at the time that this regulatory agenda was submitted for publication.

This notice is also intended to provide small businesses, local governments, and public and private interests in rural areas with the opportunity to participate in the rule-making process, as provided for in sections 202-b and 202-bb of the State Administrative Procedures Act. All rules described below may require a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Small Businesses and Local Governments and a Rural Area Flexibility Analysis pursuant to sections 202-b and 202-bb of the State Administrative Procedures Act, respectively.

The public is welcome to send written comments on the Board’s Regulatory Agenda to the contact person at the end of this list.

The Board is considering proposing the rules described below:

- Continued amendments to the Medical Treatment Guidelines (including amending the Mid and Low Back, Shoulder, Knee, and Non-Acute Pain Medical Treatment Guidelines).
- Amendments to Title 12 to add regulations related to the direct deposit of workers’ compensation benefits as required by Chapter 253 of the Laws of 2020.

The Board will continue to review its rules in an effort to provide for clearer and more accurate references to Board policies and procedures while also eliminating typographical errors and obsolete forms and practices.

To obtain information about or submit written comments concerning any item in this Regulatory Agenda, contact: Heather M. MacMaster, Deputy General Counsel, Workers’ Compensation Board, 328 State Street, Schenectady, New York 12305-2318, telephone: (518) 486-9564, e-mail: regulations@wcb.ny.gov
State Commission of Correction

As required by Chapter 262 of the Laws of 1996, the following is a list of rules which were adopted by the State Commission of Correction in calendar years 2001, 2006, 2011, and 2016 which must be reviewed in calendar year 2021. Public comment on the continuation or modification of these rules is invited. Comments should be received by April 1, 2021. Comments may be directed to: Brielle Christian, Senior Attorney A.E. Smith State Office Building, 80 S. Swan Street, 12th Floor, Albany, New York 12210-8001.

CMC-03-01-00002 Amendment of subdivision (a) of section 7028.2 and subdivision (c) of section 7028.4 of Title 9 NYCRR.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The rule is needed to clarify the situations when outdoor exercise at local correctional facilities may be canceled.

Legal basis for the rule: Correction Law section 45(6).

CMC-43-00-0005 Amendment of section 7621.6, renumber 7621.7-11 to be 7621.8-12 and addition of new section 7621.7 of Title 9 NYCRR.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The rule is needed to provide minimum standards for the use of double occupancy housing units originally designated and constructed for double occupancy.

Legal basis for the rule: Correction Law section 45(6).

CMC-06-11-00001-P Amendment of section 7003.10 of Title 9 NYCRR.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The rule is needed to extend the intervals within which locks and securing devices must be inspected.

Legal basis for the rule: Correction Law sections 45(6) and 45(15).

CMC-06-11-00002-P Amendment of section 7063.6 of Title 9 NYCRR.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The rule is needed to extend the intervals within which certain chemical agents must be inspected.

Legal basis for the rule: Correction Law sections 45(6) and 45(15).

CMC-45-15-00024-A Amendment of sections 7022.3, 7022.4, 7406.3, 7406.4 and 7508.2 of Title 9 NYCRR.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The rule is needed to allow electronic filing of reportable incidents to the Commission of Correction.

Legal basis for the rule: Correction Law sections 45(6), 45(6-b), 45(15) and 47(2).

Department of Environmental Conservation

Introduction

Each year, pursuant to SAPA, the Department publishes a Review of Rules in the State Register and on its website. This is a review of Department rules adopted 3 years previous.

SAPA Section 207 -- 3-Year Rule Review

The following rules were adopted by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (Department) during 2018, and pursuant to SAPA Section 207 have been reviewed. Comments on the rules that are being amended this year should be directed to the contact person listed in the main body of the Regulatory Agenda. Comments on any rules that are not being changed at this time will be accepted for 45 days from the date of publication in the State Register and should be directed to the regulatory coordinator for the appropriate program, as listed below the rules.

Division of Air Resources

6 NYCRR Part 232, “Dry Cleaning Facilities.” Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 3-0301, 3-0303, 19-0103, 19-0105, 19-0107, 19-0301, 19-0302, 19-0303, 19-0305, 71-2103, and 71-2105. Part 232 was updated for consistency with federal requirements and amended to improve compliance and program delivery; reduce perc and alternative solvent emissions to the environment; address advancements in technology and changes in the industry regarding the use of alternative dry cleaning solvents; and finally prohibit the use of perc in dry cleaning machines at co-located residential facilities after December 21, 2020. No amendments are planned at this time.

6 NYCRR Part 243, “CSAPR NOx Ozone Season Group 2 Trading Program,” 6 NYCRR Part 244, “CSAPR NOx Annual Trading Program,” 6 NYCRR Part 245 “CSAPR SO2 Group 1 Trading Program” and 6 NYCRR Part 200, “General Provisions.” Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 1-0101, 3-0301, 19-0103, 19-0105, 19-0107, 19-0301, 19-0302, 19-0303, 19-0305, 19-0311, 71-2103 and 71-2105. On September 7, 2016, EPA finalized the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR) Update to address the air quality impacts that result from the interstate transport of ozone air pollution in the eastern United States, particularly the transport of Ozone Season NOx. In the December 19, 2018 rulemaking the Department repealed and replaced existing Parts 243, 244 and 245 to address issues raised by EPA and to conform new Parts 243, 244 and 245 to CSAPR Update. No amendments are planned at this time.

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Division of Environmental Permits

6 NYCRR Part 617, State Environmental Quality Review Act. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 3-0301(1)(b), 3-0301(2)(m) and 8-0113. In June of 2018 the Department adopted amendments to the SEQR regulations with the intent to streamline and improve the SEQR process without sacrificing meaningful environmental review. The amendments expand the statewide Type II list of activities (actions not subject to further review under SEQR), modify certain thresholds in the Type I list of actions (actions deemed more likely to require the preparation of an environmental impact statement (EIS)), make scoping of environmental impact statements mandatory, better define the acceptance procedures for draft EISs, and modify section 617.9 (b)(5)(iii)(i) to include, where applicable and significant, discussion in an EIS of measures to avoid or reduce both an action’s environmental impacts and vulnerability from
the effects of climate change such as sea level rise and flooding. The Department has not received many comments regarding issues with compliance or implementation of amendments since the amendments were adopted and is not planning any additional amendments at this time.

Contact: James Eldred, Regulatory Coordinator for the Division of Environmental Permits, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-1750. Telephone: 518-402-9158. E-mail: deppermitting@dec.ny.gov

Division of Fish and Wildlife

6 NYCRR NY Part 3.1 and 3.2. Pertaining to the harvest of diamondback terrapins. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 11-0107, 11-0905, 11-0103, 11-0311, 11-0535 and 11-0536. Commercial harvest of diamondback terrapins was identified as one of the threats to the species across its range. New York was the only state still allowing commercial take. Part 3.1 was repealed to close the open season for commercial trapping of diamondback terrapins. Part 3.2 was amended to add the eastern diamondback terrapin to the list of native New York turtle species considered small game with no open season. This will give the species protection from taking without a special license. No further action is being undertaken.

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Office of Climate Change

6 NYCRR Part 492, Climate Smart Communities Projects. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) Article 54, Title 15. Part 492 establishes procedures to implement climate smart communities projects per ECL Article 54, Title 15. The rule is effective as written and requires no amendment.

Contact: Suzanne Hagell, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3258. Telephone: 518-402-8448. E-mail: suzanne.hagell@dec.ny.gov. Please include the Part number when emailing.

Division of Lands and Forests

6 NYCRR Section 190.35, Peekamoose Valley Riparian Corridor. Statutory authority: ECL sections 1-0101(3)(b), 3-0301(1)(b), 3-0301(1)(d), 3-0301(2)(m), 9-0105(1) and 9-0105(3). This regulation was amended in 2018 to establish a permit system for weekends and holidays to protect public safety and natural resources on this corridor. It will be amended again in the upcoming year to expand the permit system to address continued public safety and natural resource degradation issues.

6 NYCRR Section 190.36, Northern Catskill Riparian Areas. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law, sections, 1-0101(3)(b), 3-0301(1)(b), 3-0301(1)(d), 3-0301(2)(m), 9-0105(1) and 9-0105(3). This regulation protects public safety and natural resources on the Northern Catskill Riparian Areas. No amendments to this regulation are planned for the coming year since implementation has been satisfactory.

6 NYCRR Section 192.7, Control of the Emerald Ash Borer. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Sections 1-0101(3)(b), 1-0101(3)(d), 3-0301(1)(b), 3-0301(1)(d), 3-0301(2)(m), 9-0105(1), 9-0105(3) and 9-1303. This regulation was repealed in 2015. The regulation no longer served its purpose of slowing the spread of Emerald Ash Borer, therefore no additional rulemaking is necessary.

Contact: Linda Kashdan-Schorm, Regulatory Coordinator for the Division of Lands and Forests, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4250. Telephone: 518-402-9417. Email: linda.kashdan-schorm@dec.ny.gov

Division of Marine Resources

6 NYCRR Part 40, Marine Fish. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law sections 11-0303, 13-0105 and 13-0340-f. Part 40 was amended to reduce the recreational harvest for black sea bass. This rulemaking was necessary to ensure New York State maintained compliance with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission Interstate Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for Black Sea Bass. Amendments to Part 40 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with federal rules and interstate fishery management plans.

6 NYCRR Part 40, Marine Fish. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law sections 11-0303, 13-0105 and 13-0340-d. Part 40 was amended to reduce the recreational and commercial harvest for tautog. This rulemaking was necessary to ensure New York State maintained compliance with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission Interstate Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for Tautog. Amendments to Part 40 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with federal rules and interstate fishery management plans.

6 NYCRR Part 40, Marine Fish. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law sections 11-0303, 13-0105, 13-0340-b, and 13-0340-e. Part 40 was amended to increase the recreational harvest limits for scup and summer flounder. This rulemaking was necessary to ensure New York State maintained compliance with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission Interstate Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for Scup and Summer Flounder. Amendments to Part 40 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with federal rules and interstate fishery management plans.

6 NYCRR Part 41, Sanitary Condition of Shellfish Lands. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law sections 13-0307 and 13-0319. Part 41 was amended to reclassify underwater shellfish lands to protect public health. The amendments designated as uncertified (closed to shellfish harvest) either year-round or seasonally shellfish growing areas in the Towns of Hempstead, Southampton, East Hampton, and Southold; designated as certified (open to shellfish harvest) a growing area in the Town of Southold; and clarified the location of a closure description in the Town of Smithtown. Shellfish harvested from growing areas that fail to meet bacteriological water quality standards may cause illness in those individuals who consume them. Bacteriological water quality testing is an ongoing task; shellfish growing areas will be classified as necessary based on the results of the water quality studies. Amendments to Part 41 will be proposed as needed.

6 NYCRR Part 43, Surf Clam/Ocean Quahog Fishery Management. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law section 13-0309. Part 43 was amended in order to reduce paperwork and streamline the surf clam permitting process. The amendment eliminated two out of three required shellfishing permits for those who harvest surf clams by mechanical means from waters other than the Atlantic Ocean. Amendments to Part 43 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with state laws and fishery management plans.

6 NYCRR Part 44, Lobsters and Crabs. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law sections 11-0303, 13-0105 and 13-0329. Part 44 was amended to repeal section 44.1(h) (3) of Title 6 NYCRR and expand lobster fishing opportunities. Amendments to Part 44 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with state laws and fishery management plans.

6 NYCRR Parts 44 and 50, Lobsters and Crabs; and Miscellaneous Marine Species. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law sections 13-0330 and 13-0331. Parts 44 and 50 were amended to modify rules on terrapin excluder devices; horseshoe crab harvest limits; and whelk reporting. The amendments implemented requirements for terrapin excluder devices on crab traps; allowed two horseshoe crab permit holders to harvest from a single vessel; and required mandatory catch reporting for whelk permit holders. Amendments to Parts 44 and 50 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with state laws and fishery management plans.

6 NYCRR Part 49, Shellfish Management. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law section 13-0327. Part 49 was amended to clarify size limit provisions for the taking of bay scallops. Amendments to Part 49 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with state laws and fishery management plans.

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Division of Materials Management

6 NYCRR Part 380, Prevention and Control of Environmental Pollution by Radioactive Materials. Statutory Authority: Environmental Conservation Law Articles 27, 29, 27, 29 and 37. The 2018 amendments to Part 380 updated provisions that were required for compatibility with federal regulations and simplified and updated language for the purpose of improving clarity and filling regulating gaps. No further amendments to this Part are planned at this time.

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Introduction
Each year, pursuant to SAPA, the Department publishes a Review of Rules in the State Register and on its website. This is a review of Department rules adopted 5 years previously.

SAPA Section 207 -- 5-Year Rule Review
The following rules were adopted by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (Department) during 2016, and pursuant to SAPA Section 207 have been reviewed. Comments on any rules that are being amended this year should be directed to the contact person listed in the main body of the Regulatory Agenda. Comments on any rules that are not being changed at this time will be accepted for 45 days from the date of publication in the State Register and should be directed to the regulatory coordinator for the appropriate program, as listed below the rules.

Division of Air Resources

6 NYCRR Part 200, “General Provisions.” Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 1-0101, 3-0301, 19-0103, 19-0105, 19-0301, 19-0303, 19-0305. Under the 2016, the Department undertook a rulemaking to accept delegation of new and updated federal New Source Performance Standards and National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants. Doing so provided the Department with the legal authority to implement and enforce these federal regulations on behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency. The Department is working on a rulemaking to update the list of these federal rules as stated in the 2021 Regulatory Agenda.

6 NYCRR Part 218, “Emission Standards for Motor Vehicles and Motor Vehicle Engines.” Statutory Authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 1-0101, 1-0303, 19-0103, 19-0105, 19-0107, 19-0301, 19-0303, 19-0305, 19-1101, 19-1103, 19-1105, 71-2103, 71-2105; Federal Clean Air Act, § 177. Part 218 was amended in 2012, 2015, 2016, and 2020 to incorporate California’s low emission vehicle (LEV), zero emission vehicle (ZEV), and greenhouse gas (GHG) new vehicle emission standards, and environmental performance label, aftermarket catalytic converter, and warranty requirements. These changes were necessary to maintain the federal Clean Air Act § 177 identicality requirement, to achieve necessary emission reductions for the attainment and maintenance of ozone and carbon monoxide standards, and to realize greenhouse gas emission reductions. The Department may amend Part 218 to include California’s latest revisions to their medium and heavy-duty truck standards including the Advanced Clean Truck program.

6 NYCRR Part 222, “ Distributed Generation Sources.” Statutory Authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 1-0101, 3-0301, 19-0103, 19-0105, 19-0301, 19-0303, 19-0305, 19-0311, 71-2103 and 71-2105. The June 14, 2015 rulemaking established emission standards, monitoring requirements and record keeping requirements for certain Distributed Generation Sources in New York State. This rulemaking and associated regulations were repealed and replaced by subsequent rulemaking finalized on February 19, 2020. No further action is anticipated at this time.

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Division of Environmental Remediation

6 NYCRR Part 375, Environmental Remediation Programs; Statutory Authority: Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) Sections 1-0101, 3-0301, ECL Article 27, Title 14. Part 375 was amended to meet statutory mandates in Part BB of Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2015, which amended and added new language to ECL Article 27, Title 14 (Brownfield Cleanup Program, BCP) and certain other laws. The proposal of these regulations resulted in amendments to the BCP law becoming effective on July 1, 2015. The amendments to Part 375 were adopted on July 4, 2016 and effective on August 12, 2016. They included (1) the addition of two new definitions, “affordable housing project” and “underutilized” in 6 NYCRR Subpart 375-3; (2) revisions to the existing “brownfield site” definition at 6 NYCRR 375-1.2(b) to meet the description in the 2015 BCP law; and (3) deletion of 6 NYCRR 375-3.3(a)(1) to conform to the revised ‘brownfield site’ definition. No amendments will be made at this time. See 2021 Division of Environmental Remediation Regulatory Agenda regarding the next rule making for amendments to 6 NYCRR Part 375.

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Division of Fish and Wildlife

6 NYCRR Parts 1.11 and 1.18, Pertaining to Deer Hunting and the Issuance and Use of Deer Hunting Tags, and Part 1.31, Pertaining to Hunting Black Bear. Statutory Authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 11-0303, 11-0903, 11-0907. This rulemaking was necessary to: (1) provide additional opportunity to junior hunters by allowing them to take bear as well as deer during the black bear season over Columbus Day Weekend; (2) rescind an antlerless-only requirement established in 2015 during portions of the bow and muzzleloader season in some Wildlife Management Units (WMUs); (3) reduce the take of antlerless deer in WMUs 6F and 6J by allowing hunters to only take antlered deer during the early muzzleloader season to prevent further population decline and stimulate population growth; and (4) make a technical correction to clarify that bow/muzzleloader either-sex and antlerless-only deer tags may both be used during either bow or muzzleloader seasons by properly licensed hunters. There is a current regulatory proposal available for public comment through November 8, 2020 to expand deer hunting opportunity in the Southern Zone. While the regulations adopted in 2016 were effective at achieving the four objectives listed above, additional regulatory proposals are anticipated for 2021 to implement portions of the newly updated New York State Deer Management Plan.

6 NYCRR Sections 6.2 and 6.3, Pertaining to fisher trapping seasons and bag limits and general trapping regulations for furbearers. Statutory Authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 3-0301, 11-0917, 11-1001, 11-1103, and 11-1105. This rulemaking was necessary to implement changes outlined in the New York State Fisher Management Plan including reducing the fisher trapping season from 46 days to 30 days in selected Adirondack Wildlife Management Units in northern New York and establishing a new six-day trapping season in select Wildlife Management Units in central and western New York. Revisions were also needed to the general trapping regulations to clarify the intent of the regulation and to make them easier for trappers to understand and law enforcement officers to implement. This regulation required trappers to obtain a special permit and submit a fisher carcass and information on trapping effort. After five years of data collection this special permit and associated biological and trapping effort data are no longer needed, so a regulatory proposal will be developed to repeal this requirement. No additional amendments to fisher seasons are planned at this time.

6 NYCRR Part 10, Sportfishing and Associated Activities. Statutory Authority: Environmental Conservation Law, sections 3-0301, 11-0303, 11-0305, 11-0317, 11-1301, 11-1303, 11-1316 and 11-1319. These amendments promote optimum fishing opportunity for public use consistent with resource conservation. The rule is effective as written and requires no amendment.

6 NYCRR Part 183, License Issuing Agents; 6 NYCRR Part 184, Wildlife Rehabilitation Licenses. Statutory Authority: Environmental Conservation Law Sections 11-0305, 11-0713, 11-0515, and 11-0919. The September 14, 2016 Rulemaking removed regulatory requirements that excluded individuals with felonies from obtaining certain licenses.
and authorizations. These changes are effective as written and require no amendment.

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Division of Lands and Forests

6 NYCRR Section 190.10, Croton Gorge Unique Area. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law sections 1-0101(3)(b), 3-0301(1)(b), 3-0301(2)(m), 9-0105(1) and 9-0105 (3). No amendments to this regulation are planned for the coming year.

6 NYCRR Section 190.35, Peekamoos Valley Riparian Corridor. Statutory authority: ECL sections 1-0101(3)(b), 3-0301(1)(b), 3-0301(1)(d), 3-0301(2)(m), 9-0105(1) and 9-0105(3). This regulation was amended in 2018 to establish a permit system for week-ends and holidays to protect public safety and natural resources on this corridor. Another amendment is needed in the upcoming year to expand the permit system to address continued public safety and natural resource degradation issues.

6 NYCRR Part 576, Aquatic Invasive Species Spread Prevention. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation section 9-1710. This regulation requires that “reasonable precautions” are taken prior to placing watercraft into public waters to prevent the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species.

6 NYCRR Part 592, Procedures for Modifying or extinguishing a Conservation Easement held by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation sections 3-301(2)(m), 3-301(2)(v), 49-0301, 49-0303(1), 49-0305(7), 49-0307, 49-0307(2), 49-0307(3), 49-0307(2)(a), 49-0307(3)(a) and 49-0307(3)(d). This regulation establishes standards for the department to follow when modifying or extinguishing a conservation easement and provides for a formal public review process. The regulation will be amended in the upcoming year to clarify language in section 592.3, standards, regarding a net conservation benefit to the state.

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Division of Marine Resources

6 NYCRR Part 40, Marine Fish. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law sections 11-0303 and 13-0340-f. Part 40 was amended to allow two fishers aboard a single vessel to possess and land the trip limit for black sea bass. This rulemaking was necessary to ensure the safety of black sea bass fishers. Amendments to Part 40 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with federal rules and interstate fishery management plans.

6 NYCRR Part 40, Marine Fish. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law sections 11-0303, 13-0105 and 13-0340-f. Part 40 was amended to reduce the recreational harvest for black sea bass. This rulemaking was necessary to ensure New York State maintained compliance with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Black Sea Bass. Amendments to Part 40 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with federal rules and interstate fishery management plans.

6 NYCRR Part 40, Marine Fish. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law section 13-0333. Part 40 was amended to add the species menhaden and the menhaden trip limits to 6 NYCRR subdivision 40.1(i) Table B – Commercial Fishing. This rulemaking corrected a technical error in the regulations. Amendments to Part 40 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with federal rules and interstate fishery management plans.

6 NYCRR Part 41, Sanitary Condition of Shellfish Beds. Statutory authority: Environmental Conservation Law provisions are consistent with the management measures of the NY State Fishery Management Plan for the Atlantic Ocean surf clam fishery. Amendments to Part 43 will be proposed as necessary for New York to remain in compliance with state laws and fishery management plans.

Contact: Carol Hoffman, Regulatory Coordinator for the Division of Marine Resources, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 205 North Belle Mead Road, Suite 1, East Setauket, NY 11733. Telephone: 631-444-0476. E-mail: carol.hoffman@dec.ny.gov

Division of Water

Revised provisions of Part 750 and Part 621 of Title 6 of the New York Codes of Rules and Regulations. Statutory Authority: ECL: 1-0101(3)(b); 3-0301(1)(b); 3-0301(1)(c); 3-0301(2)(m); 17-0303(3); 17-0803; 17-0804 and 17-0826-a In accordance with SPRTK, the revised Part 750 regulations require owners and operators of publicly owned treatment works ("POTWS") and publicly owned sewer systems ("POSSs") to report untreated and partially treated sewage discharges to DEC and the local health department, or if there is none, the New York State Department of Health, immediately, but in no case later than two hours from discovery of the discharge, and to the general public in no more than four hours using DEC approved electronic media. No amendments are currently being considered.

Contact: Michelle Tompkins, Regulatory Coordinator for the Division of Water, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-3500. Telephone: 518-402-8221. E-mail: michelle.tompkins@dec.ny.gov

Department of Law

Real Estate and Finance

Pursuant to SAPA section 207, the Law Department submits the following list of its rules that were adopted during calendar year 2016 and invites public comment on the continuation or modification of such rules. Comments should be sent to the respective agency representative listed below for each particular rule, and must be received within 45 days of the date of publication of this Notice.

RULES ADOPTED OR REVISED IN 2016

(1) LAW-47-15-00007-RP Certification of Protections for Senior and Disabled Tenants During Condominium or Cooperative Ownership Conversions

Addition of sections 18.1(e)(5), (6), 18.5(e)(10), 23.1(e)(5), (6) and 23.5(e)(10); and the amendment of sections 18.3(d), (l), 23.3(d), (m), and (n)(8) of Title 13 NYCRR.

Analysis of the need for the rule: To clarify the Martin Act’s non-purchasing tenant protections for eligible senior citizens and eligible disabled persons.

Legal basis for the rule: General Business Law, Section 352-e(6)

(2) LAW-49-15-00011-A Disclosure Requirement for Condominium Offerors Renting, Rather than Selling, Unsold Condominium Units

Amendment of Part 20 of Title 12 NYCRR

Analysis of the need for the rule: To clarify a condominium offeror’s disclosure obligations in a newly-constructed, vacant, or non-residential condominium.

Legal basis for the rule: General Business Law, Section 352-e(6)

(3) LAW-42-15-00015-A Digital Submission Requirements for Cooperative Interests in Realty

Amendment of Parts 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25 of Title 13 NYCRR.
Analysis of the need for the rule: To streamline the Department of Law’s regulations and internal operations while also reducing transaction costs and paper waste.

Legal basis for the rule: General Business Law, Section 352-e(6).

Agency Representative: Written comments concerning the continuation or modification of the above rule may be submitted to: Jackie Dischell, Bureau Chief, 28 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10005, (212) 416 8655, Jackie.Dischell@ag.ny.gov

Department of Motor Vehicles

As required by section 207 of the State Administrative Procedure Act, the following is a list of rules that were adopted by the Department of Motor Vehicles in calendar years 2001, 2006, 2011 and 2016 which must be reviewed in calendar year 2021. Public comment on the continuation or modification of these rules is invited and will be accepted for 45 days from the date of publication in the State Register. Comments may be directed to: The Department of Motor Vehicles, Counsel’s Office, 6 ESP, Room 522A, Albany, NY 12228.

2001

MTV-47-00-00009 - Part 48 - Transportation of Logs.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation incorporated by reference the New York State Department of Transportation rules regarding securing loads on commercial motor vehicles. State DOT’s regulations incorporate by reference the federal standard for load securement. Incorporating DOT’s regulation insured that operators of such vehicles must comply with only one standard and also diminished confusion in the law enforcement community about the appropriate standard.

Legal basis for rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a) and 377(2).

MTV-52-00-00002 - Part 46 - Reflective tape on school buses.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation was necessary to conform to Chapter 525 of the Laws of 1999, which required reflective tape on school buses. Its purpose was to make school buses more visible to the motoring public. Since the statute regarding this requirement is still in place, this rule remains necessary.

Legal basis for rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a) and 375(21-h).

MTV-26-01-00004 - Part 78 - Sale of special number plates by dealers.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation was necessary to comply with Chapter 452 of the Laws of 2000, which provided that dealers could assist customers in obtaining custom plates from the DMV. The law authorized dealers to charge $5 for this service. The regulation required dealers to notify the customer of the $5 fee and the cost of the plate. Since the law is still in place, this regulation remains necessary.

Legal basis for rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a) and 403-b.

MTV-22-01-00003 - Parts 82 and 127- Procedures for Hearings.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The amendments to Parts 82 and 127 established uniform hearing procedures for all regulated parties: repair shops, dealers and inspection stations. The rule also conformed to Vehicle and Traffic Law section 415(9-a) to provide that if a dealer’s registration is suspended pending hearing, such hearing must be held within 10 days. Finally, the rule extended the time within which a fatal accident hearing must be held, from 6 to 12 months. In light of the large number of fatal accidents and the length of time it takes for law enforcement to fully investigate such accidents, this extension remains warranted.

Legal basis for rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a), 398(f)(1)(b), 398-g(2) and 415(9-a), and section 301 of the State Administrative Procedure Act.

MTV-32-01-00001 - Parts 121, 122, 123, 124 and 125 - Traffic Violation Bureau hearings.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule clarified procedures about how to answer summonses (by mail, phone or in person) and how to reschedule a hearing in the DMV’s Traffic Violation Bureaus. These amendments remain necessary to conform to TVB procedures.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a), 226(8), 226(1), 226(2) and 227(1).

MTV-33-01-00004 - Part 32 - Insurance identification cards.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This amendment made several technical amendments to the regulations governing insurance identification cards. Most significantly, it required the use of an encrypted two dimensional bar code. Since this bar code assists with weeding out fraudulent ID cards, the regulation remains necessary.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a), 311(10), 312(4) and (5), 319(3) and 370(1).


Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation repealed and adopted a new Part 35, in relation to enforcement of the liability insurance rules. With the implementation of the Insurance Information Enforcement System (IIES), companies electronically report new policies and cancellations to the DMV. The amendments put motorists and insurers on notice about how the DMV notifies motorists about their failure to maintain insurance and the sanctions and penalties resulting from non-compliance. This rule is still valid and remains necessary.

Legal basis for rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a), 312(4), 313(2)(c), 313(4), 318(1) and 319(1).

2006

MTV-04-06-00002 - Part 3 - Driver license requirements.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation was adopted for three reasons. First, conforming regulatory changes were needed in light of Chapter 339 of 2005, which provided that a class D license is valid to operate a vehicle weighing up to 26,000 pounds. Thus, the O2 restriction was eliminated because it applied to trucks not exceeding 18,000 pounds. Second, chapter 60 of 2005 required that the tow truck endorsement should be “W,” not “CT.” Finally, an A3 restriction was created to provide that school bus and municipal drivers could hold a commercial driver’s license without complying with federal medical requirements. Superseding amendments have renamed that restriction “med cert,” but the scope of the restriction is still applicable.


MTV-27-06-00010 - Part 136 - Restoration of Commercial Driver’s licenses.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation provides that if a person’s driver’s license is revoked and such person’s underlying non-commercial driver’s license is restored, then such person’s commercial driver’s license shall automatically be restored upon serving the minimum revocation period, unless such person commits additional violations of the law. A person whose license is revoked must apply for relicensure to the DMV upon serving the minimum period of revocation. The Commissioner conducts a thorough review of the person’s driving record under Part 136. If the non-commercial portion of the license is restored, the commercial portion of such license will remain revoked even if the underlying non-commercial portion is restored—usually the commercial portion is revoked for a longer period of time. However, once such person serves the minimum revocation period related to commercial license sanctions, that portion of the license is automatically restored because the Commissioner has already conducted a full Part 136 review. The regulation benefits the customer because he/she does not have to apply again and it benefits the DMV because employee resources are conserved.

Legal basis for rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a), 510(6)(a) and 1193(2)(c)(1).

2011

MTV-50-10-00002 - Part 131 - Points for Cell Phone Violations.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation imposed two points for cell phone violations, because statistics demonstrated the serious highway safety risk posed by persons using cell phones while operating a motor vehicle. This regulation was superseded by subsequent regulatory amendments, resulting in the current assignment of 5 points for cell phone violations.
Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a) and 510(3)(i).

MTV-51-10-00006 - Part 77 - Private Service Bureaus.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This amendment required private service bureaus, which assist customers in obtaining licenses, registrations and titles, to post on their websites a disclaimer that the services they provide may be obtained for no additional charge directly from the Department of Motor Vehicles’ website. This regulation is still required, in order to notify customers of their options.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a) and 395.

MTV-51-10-00008 - Part 79 - Inspection of stretch limousines.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This amendment required stretch limousines carrying 10 or more passengers to be subject to the Department of Transportation’s stringent bus safety inspection. This regulation remains necessary in order to assure the structural integrity of stretch limousines.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a), 301(a), (c) and 302(a) and (c), and section 140 of the Transportation Law.


Analysis of the need for the rule: The regulation required entities to pay $1 for the cost of a driver’s manual; applicants for a learner’s permit would still obtain the manual for free. The $1 fee was necessary to defray the costs of publishing the manual, particularly bulk sales for the benefit of driving schools and the American Automobile Association (AAA). This regulation is still needed to defray the cost of producing the manual.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law section 215(a) and Public Officers Law section 87(1)(b).

MTV-51-10-00023 - Part 136 - Relicensing After Revocation/Problem Driver.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The regulation strengthened the provisions related to relicensing after revocation, particularly in relation to “problem drivers” and in reviewing out-of-state alcohol related convictions when reviewing a driver’s entire record. These amendments remain necessary and critical to the DMV’s mission of keeping dangerous drivers off of our State’s highways.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a), 510(6)(a) and 1193(2)(c).


Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation limited the number of inspection stations in most counties in the State. Without such a limitation, the DMV was unable to audit and investigate such stations, in order to monitor their compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements. Non-compliance not only puts consumers at risk, but also threatens the State’s compliance with the federal Clean Air Act. Such Act, which requires the State to annually conduct a specified number of audits of each inspection station. This regulation remains necessary to ensure compliance with the Act and to provide consumer protection.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a), 301(a), (d)(1), 302(a), (e), 303(a)(1) and (d)(1).

MTV-31-11-00006 - Part 131 - Points for cell phone and texting violations.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation increased the points for cell phone violations from 2 to 3 points and assigned 3 points for texting violations. This regulation was superseded by a subsequent regulation, resulting in the current assignment of 5 points for cell phone and texting violations.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a) and 510(3)(i).

2016

MTV-03-16-00005 – Part 78.9 – Use of the Vehicle Electronic Reassignment and Integrated Facility Inventory System.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation requires vehicle dealers to use the Vehicle Electronic Reassignment and Integrated Facility Inventory (“VERIFI”) system. This system is part of the modernization of several paper-based processes performed by dealers. This amendment requires dealers to maintain electronic recordkeeping and transmission of information related to sale of vehicles by using the VERIFI system. This regulation remains necessary because it provides dealers with a simple, convenient way to perform required vehicle transactions.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a) and 415.215(a).

MTV-15-16-00009 – Part 78.3 - Enforcement of off premise sales regulation.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation provides for enforcement of off premise sales regulation. This amendment sets forth that an applicant for a dealer registration must have and continuously maintain a place of business in the state and only a New York registered retail dealer may engage in buying and selling of vehicles at retail as a business in New York; and an application for registration shall be denied if one has been approved such registration shall be subject to suspension, revocation and/or a civil penalty where the Commissioner has reasonable grounds to believe that such application has been or will be used for the purpose of circumventing the restrictions regarding sales away from premises. This regulation is necessary to maintain oversight of off-premises sales and provide for an enforcement mechanism for violations.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law Sections 215(a) and 415.

MTV-18-16-00001 – Part 136.4 and 136.5 - Relicensing after revocation pursuant to a fatal accident hearing.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule authorizes the Commissioner to deny relicensure after revocation if such revocation is the result of a fatal accident hearing conducted by a Department of Motor Vehicles’ Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) or a conviction in a Traffic Violations Bureau or court of competent jurisdiction, where such conviction arises out of a fatal accident. This regulation is necessary to continue to keep dangerous drivers off our State’s highways.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law Sections 215(a), 501(2)(c), 510(6), 1193(2)(b)(12), 1193(2)(c)(1) and 1194(2)(d)(1).

MTV-22-16-00007 – Part 16.1, 16.2 and 16.5 - Special and reserved series plates.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule authorizes the Commissioner to oversee “Special Number Plates” which include personalized license plates and “reserved series” license plates. This popular program permits motorists to request personalized plates and authorizes the Commissioner to ensure such plates are appropriate. The reserved series plates are likewise popular with organizations wishing to raise awareness of a given issue, group or even sports teams. This rule governs the requirements for reserved series plates, including bonding. Part 16 is required to continue these programs and the revenue generated from special number plates.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law Sections 215(a), 404 and 411-a.

MTV-25-16-00003 – Part 131.3 - Points for railroad crossing violations.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation assigns point values to traffic violations, including railroad crossing violations under Part 131.3(b)(4)(iv). Assigning five points to railroad crossing violations ensures that the public understands the gravity of such violations and takes railroad safety seriously.

Legal basis for the rule: Vehicle and Traffic Law sections 215(a) and 510(3)(i).

MTV-28-16-00003 – Part 134.14 - Fees charged for the Impaired Driving Program course.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation governs fees paid by participants in the Impaired Driving Program (IDP). The fees defray the expenses of the program and consist of two parts. The first part of the fee is paid to the Department to defray the administrative costs of the program and the second part of the fee is paid to the authorized provider for the IDP course. These fees are necessary to
Public Service Commission

Pursuant to § 207 of the State Administrative Procedure Act: Review of Existing Rules, notice is hereby provided that the Public Service Commission proposes to continue the following rules adopted in 2001, 2006, 2011 and 2016 without modification or as previously revised. Comments are welcome on proposed continuation of the rules. Five copies of comments should be sent to: Michelle Philips, Secretary to the Commission, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350, on or before March 24, 2021. Information about the rules may be obtained from: John C. Graham, Assistant Counsel, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350; (518) 474-7687.

1. 16 NYCRR Part 93 (Case No. 99-E-1691).
   a. Description of rules:
   These regulations are applicable to approval of new types of electricity meters, instrumental transformers and auxiliary devices. They allow energy services companies or competitive meter service providers subject to Commission consumer services protection and oversight to request meter approval without utility sponsorship.
   b. Statutory authority: Public Service Law § 67(4)
   c. No hearings or public meetings are scheduled.
   d. The rules are in effect and will continue.
   e. Need for and legal basis of rules:
   The regulations approve new types of electricity meters used for customer billing in order to open metering services to competition, expands customer choice and provide a secure, safe, and reliable energy delivery system by allowing energy services companies or competitive meter service providers subject to Commission consumer services protection and oversight to request meter approval without utility sponsorship. Only meters approved by the Commission and in conformity with the American National Standard Code for Electric Meters (ANSI C12) can be used for customer billing and the regulations require notification to the Commission of any modifications to previously approved meters.

2. 16 NYCRR Subpart 85-2 and Parts 86 and 88 (Case No. 06-M-1019).
   a. Description of rules:
   Amended the regulations implementing Article VII of the Public Service Law contained in 16 NYCRR Subpart 85-2, Procedures with Respect to All Electric Transmission Lines and Fuel Gas Transmission Lines 10 or More Miles Long, Part 86, General Exhibits, and Part 88, Exhibits for Electric Transmission Filings. In order to make it possible for the Commission to act on a National Interest Electric Transmission Corridor (NIETC) project within one year, a new § 85-2.9 was added to specify precisely the information an application for an electric transmission line in a NIETC must contain in order to be considered “filed.” In addition, this section streamlined the review process by identifying those application requirements specific to portions of transmission lines that are proposed to be installed overhead, underground or underwater, thus avoiding the need to process a significant number of waiver requests. The amendments also clarified applicants’ obligations regarding substantive local legal provisions and transmission system studies.
   c. No hearings or public meetings are scheduled.
   d. The rules are in effect and will continue.
   e. Need for and legal basis of rules:
   The rules address the impacts of electricity transmission limitations in New York State by speeding up the application process for NIETC projects. They precisely specify the information required on an application to install an electric transmission line, thus enabling the Public Service Commission to act on the proposed project within a year. The end result of quick approval of energy transmission projects is enhancement of transmission capacity, which furthers reliability and national security interests.

Department of Taxation and Finance

Pursuant to section 207 of the State Administrative Procedure Act (SAPA) the Department of Taxation and Finance intends to review the following rules during 2021 and invites written comments on the continuation or modification of these rules in order to assist the Department in the required review. We will consider comments that are received by March 7, 2021. Any questions concerning the items listed in this rule review or comments regarding the continuation of the rules being reviewed should be referred to: Office of Counsel, Department of Taxation and Finance, W.A. Harriman Campus, Building 9, Room 200, Albany, New York 12227; Telephone: (518) 530-4153, Email address: tax.regulations@tax.ny.gov.

RULES ADOPTED IN 2013

1. TAF-37-12-00005-A Combined Reports.
   This rule amended Parts 3, 6, and 21 of Title 20 NYCRR; and added Part 33 to Title 20 NYCRR, relating to combined reports.

2. TAF-48-12-00008-A Tax Return Filings for Licensed Farm Breweries.
   This rule amended section 60.1 of Title 20 NYCRR regarding tax return filings for licensed farm breweries.

   Analysis of the need for the rule: Farm breweries, like micro-brewers licensed under sections 51 and 56 of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law, are restricted to producing no more than 60,000 barrels of beer annually. Section 60.1 of the regulations allows micro-brewers and restaurant brewers to file annual beer tax returns rather than the monthly returns that would otherwise be required. The rule amended section 60.1 of the regulations to allow persons registered as farm breweries pursuant to section 31-a of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law to also file annual beer tax returns in lieu of monthly returns, reducing the filing burden on such taxpayers.

   The notice of proposed rulemaking did not include a regulatory flexibility analysis, a rural area flexibility analysis or a job impact statement.

   Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law sections 171, subdivision First, 1096(a), 1468 and 1519.
Rule Review

This rule added Part 2600; repealed section 158.12(1)(iv); and amended section 158.12(1)(v)-(ix) of Title 20 NYCRR regarding tax return preparers.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The rule regulates the tax return preparer industry. The purpose of the rule is to advance tax administration, elevate the professionalism of the tax return preparation industry, and protect NYS taxpayers. The rule imposes educational and testing requirements, and provides minimum standards of conduct for registered tax return preparers. The rule further provides for sanctions for failure to satisfy these requirements, or for deviation from the conduct standards.

The rule imposes minimal educational and testing requirements, as well as basic standards of conduct. These requirements balance the need to protect taxpayers against the need to avoid imposing undue burdens on tax return preparers.

The notice of proposed rulemaking included a regulatory flexibility analysis and a rural area flexibility analysis.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law sections 32, 171, subdivision First; 697(a); and Section 4 of Part VV of Chapter 59 of the Laws of 2009.

This rule amended sections 68.3, 68.4, 73.1 and 417.2 of Title 20 NYCRR regarding mailing of certain excise tax documents.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule eliminated references to the mailing of certain excise tax publications and documents by the Department. This allowed the Department to disseminate these documents by more efficient methods, such as the Internet and electronic mail, thereby reducing its printing and mailing costs.

The notice of proposed rulemaking did not include a regulatory flexibility analysis, a rural area flexibility analysis or a job impact statement.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law sections 171, subdivision First; 436 (not subdivided) and 475 (not subdivided).

This rule amended Parts 5000 and 5005, and section 4000.4; and repealed section 7-4.5 of Title 20 NYCRR regarding offers in compromise.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule reflects the amendments made by Chapter 469 of the Laws of 2011 and defines what constitutes undue economic hardship in the context of offers in compromise.

The notice of proposed rulemaking did not include a regulatory flexibility analysis, a rural area flexibility analysis or a job impact statement.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law sections 171, subdivisions First, Fifteenth and Eighteenth-a and 1096(a); and Chapter 469 of the Laws of 2011.

This rule amended section 2391.3(a) of 20 NYCRR to eliminate the option to personally serve the Department with process at its district offices.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule eliminated the option of personally serving the Department with legal process at its district offices, thereby making it possible for the Department to streamline departmental operations by discontinuing all walk-in services previously available at district offices, including receipt of process. Taxpayers retained the options of serving the Department personally at its principal office in Albany, NY, or by first class or certified mail.

The notice of proposed rulemaking did not include a regulatory flexibility analysis, a rural area flexibility analysis or a job impact statement.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law section 171, subdivision First; and Civil Practice Law and Rules, section 307.

RULES ADOPTED IN 2011

1. TAF-02-11-00011-A Assistance Program to Encourage Local Governments to Reassess on a Cyclical Basis.
This rule amended Real Property Tax Law, sections 201(1), 202(1)(k), and 1573(1)(a); and L. 2010, ch. 56, parts W and Y regarding an assistance program to encourage local governments to reassess on a cyclical basis.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The rule provided guidelines to implement the statutory authorized assistance to local governments to encourage a cycle of reassessments through voluntary participation in the assistance program.

Legal basis for the rule: Real Property Tax Law, sections 201(1), 202(1)(k), and 1573(1)(a); and L. 2010, ch. 56, parts W and Y.

2. TAF-10-11-00002-A Bureau of Conciliation and Mediation Services Procedures.
This rule amended Part 4000 of Title 20 NYCRR regarding Bureau of Conciliation and Mediation Services procedures to reflect current statutory provisions. The rule also allowed the Department to expand the manner in which taxpayers may request a conciliation conference, such as by allowing requests in an electronic format. It also referenced mailing rules relating to designated delivery services and made other minor technical amendments.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The rule reflected statutory provisions relating to filing of certain petitions and made other minor technical amendments.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law, sections 170(3-a) and 171, subdivision First.

RULES ADOPTED IN 2006

This rule amended sections 2399.1, 2399.2(a)(1) and (d); added sections 2399.2(e) and (f); and amended the titles of Part 2399 and sections 2399.2 and 2399.3 of Title 20 NYCRR regarding timely electronic filing and electronic paying.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule updated the Department’s Procedural Regulations concerning the timeliness of documents and payments that are filed and remitted by electronic means.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law, section 171, subds. First and Fourteenth.

2. TAF-34-06-00005-A Taxation of Corporate Partners.
This rule amended section 1-2.6 and Parts 3 and 4 of Title 20 NYCRR regarding taxation of corporate partners.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule provided guidance with regard to the computation of the business corporation franchise tax imposed by Article 9-A of the Tax Law for corporations that are partners in partnerships or that are members of limited liability companies that are treated as partnerships under Article 9-A.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law, sections 171, subd. First and 1096(a).

This rule added Part 2500 to Title 20 NYCRR regarding New York reportable transactions.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The Department’s Procedural Regulations were amended to add a new Part 2500 to provide a definition of a New York reportable transaction and the disclosure requirements for participation in a New York reportable transaction. Under Part 2500, a New York reportable transaction is a transaction that has the potential to be a tax avoidance transaction under articles 9, 9-A, 22, 32, or 33 of the Tax Law.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law, sections 25(a)(3); 171; subd. First; 697(a); and 1096(a).

This rule amended Parts 132 and 154 of Title 20 NYCRR regarding New York source income of nonresidents and part-year residents from stock options, stock appreciation rights and restricted stock to provide allocation rules.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule complied with the statutory directive of Tax Law sections 631(g) and 638(c), as amended by Chapter 62 of the Laws of 2006, requiring the Department to propose regulations within 180 days of enactment to provide allocation rules for certain nonresidents and part-year residents who were granted stock options, stock appreciation rights or restricted stock.
Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law, sections 171, subd. First; 631(g); 638(c); 697(a); and L. 2006, ch. 62, part N, section 3.

5. RPS-27-06-00006-A Training Requirements for New York City Assessors.

This rule added Subpart 188-8 to Title 9 NYCRR regarding training requirements for New York City Assessors.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule implemented the program of training, certification and minimum qualification standards for New York City Assessors that was established by L.2005, ch. 139.

Legal basis for the rule: Real Property Tax Law sections 202(1)(l) and 350-364.


This rule amended section 190-3.2 of Title 9 NYCRR regarding License fees for users of the Real Property System (RPS).

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule revised the annual license fees payable by users of RPS.

Legal basis for the rule: Real Property Tax Law sections 202(1)(l) and State Finance Law section 97-kk.

RULES ADOPTED IN 2001

1. TAF-23-01-00043-A Taxpayer Record Retention Formats.

This rule amended sections 39.1, 51.2(f), 54.2, 56.1, 61.3, 68.4(e), 75.5(c), 158.3, 158.4, 267.3, 413.4, 417.1, 417.2(e), 418.1, 483.1, 483.5, 533.2, 538.4, 542.1, and addition of Part 2402 to Title 20 NYCRR regarding taxpayer record retention formats.

Analysis of the need for the rule: The Department’s Procedural Regulations were amended to add a new Part 2402 to ensure timely compliance with the record retention and electronic record keeping provisions of the state Electronic Signatures and Records Act (State Technology Law, section 301 et seq.) and the federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (15 USCS, section 7001 et seq.). Part 2402 provides for the voluntary use of electronic records by taxpayers and prescribes general standards applicable to the retention of electronic records that ensure that taxpayers who exercise this option are complying with their responsibilities under the Tax Law and under other applicable laws that are administered by the Commissioner. Conforming amendments were also made to sections 39.1, 51.2(f), 54.2, 56.1, 61.3, 68.4(e), 75.5(c), 158.3, 158.4, 267.3, 413.4, 417.1, 417.2(e), 418.1, 483.1, 483.5, 533.2, 538.4, and 542.1 of the regulations.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law section 171, subd. First and Fourteenth.

2. TAF-17-01-00002-A Tax Rates.

This rule amended Part 530 of Title 20 NYCRR regarding tax rates and bracket schedules contained in the sales and use tax regulations.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation was amended to repeal the tax rates and bracket schedules which indicated the amount of sales tax to be collected for various amounts of sales prices and tax rates, and replace them with standard methodology for rounding the amount of sales tax to be collected to the nearest penny.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law sections 171, subd. First; 1132(b); 1142(1) and (8); and 1250 (not subdivided).


This rule amended section 528.12(b)(1) and repealed section 528.12(c) of Title 20 NYCRR regarding flags of the United States of America and New York State.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This regulation was amended to update the definition of the term “flag” and, accordingly, to exempt from State and local sales and use taxes flags that are made from materials in addition to cloth and those accessories that are used solely for the display of the flag and are sold with the flag for a single charge.

Legal basis for the rule: Tax Law sections 171, subd. First; 1142(1) and (8); and 1250 (not subdivided).

4. RPS-08-01-00004-A Procedures for Market Value Surveys.

This rule amended Parts 186 and 191 of Title 9 NYCRR regarding procedures for determining State equalization rates with the goal of providing for more accurate and timely measurements of relative municipal full value for use in calculating the rates.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule made various revisions to the procedures for determining State equalization rates with the goal of providing for more accurate and timely measurements of relative municipal full value for use in calculating the rates.

Legal basis for the rule: Real Property Tax Law sections 202(1)(l) and 1202.

5. RPS-43-01-00007-A Reports by Special Franchise Owners and Review of Special Franchise Complaints.

This rule amended Part 197 of Title 9 NYCRR regarding reporting requirements to which special franchise owners were subject and provided a more specific and consistent structure for the filing of complaints.

Analysis of the need for the rule: This rule simplified the reporting requirements to which special franchise owners were subject and provided a more specific and consistent structure for the filing of complaints.

Legal basis for the rule: Real Property Tax Law sections 202(1)(l), 600, 604 and 612.
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

Environmental Facilities Corporation
Department of Environmental Conservation
625 Broadway
Albany, NY 12233-3502

CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Green Innovation Grant Program

The New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) is pleased to announce the availability of $17 million in grant funding through the Green Innovation Grant Program (GIGP). The GIGP provides grants on a competitive basis to Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) eligible projects that improve water quality and mitigate the effects of climate change through the implementation of one or more of the following practices:

- Green Stormwater Infrastructure
- Energy Efficiency
- Water Efficiency

The Program Overview for the GIGP can be found on EFC’s website at: https://www.efc.ny.gov/GIGP

Engineering Planning Grant

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), in conjunction with EFC, will offer grants to municipalities to help pay for the initial planning of CWSRF eligible water quality projects. Up to $2 million has been made available for this round of the Wastewater Infrastructure Engineering Planning Grant (EPG) program. Grants of up to $100,000 are available to finance engineering and planning services for the production of an engineering report.

The goal of the EPG program is to encourage communities to advance water quality projects to construction by funding the development of an engineering report so the community may be prepared to seek financing through the CWSRF program, Water Quality Improvement Project program, or other funding entities to pursue the identified solution.

The Program Overview for the EPG can be found on DEC’s website at: https://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/81196.html

Application Due Date:

Applications for both grant programs must be submitted through the Consolidated Funding Application website at: https://apps.cio.ny.gov/apps/cfa/index.cfm by 4:00 p.m., February 12, 2021.

Webinar:

EFC will host a webinar to present the GIGP and EPG programs on January 13, 2021 at 11:00 am. A recording of the webinar will be available on EFC’s website for those who cannot attend the live webinar. This event will provide an overview of GIGP and EPG, as well as guidance on how to apply for grant funds. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions. You may register for the webinar on EFC’s website at: www.efc.ny.gov

CONTACTS:

If you have questions about the EPG, you may also email the DEC’s Division of Water grants team at: CFAWATER@dec.ny.gov
If you have questions about the GIGP, you may also email the GIGP team at: GIGP@efc.ny.gov
Notice of Abandoned Property Received by the State Comptroller

Pursuant to provisions of the Abandoned Property Law and related laws, the Office of the State Comptroller receives unclaimed monies and other property deemed abandoned. A list of the names and last known addresses of the entitled owners of this abandoned property is maintained by the office in accordance with Section 1401 of the Abandoned Property Law. Interested parties may inquire if they appear on the Abandoned Property Listing by contacting the Office of Unclaimed Funds, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at:

1-800-221-9311
or visit our web site at:
www.osc.state.ny.us

Claims for abandoned property must be filed with the New York State Comptroller’s Office of Unclaimed Funds as provided in Section 1406 of the Abandoned Property Law. For further information contact: Office of the State Comptroller, Office of Unclaimed Funds, 110 State St., Albany, NY 12236.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Monroe County Water Authority

The Monroe County Water Authority is requesting proposals from qualified accounting firms relating to audit services for a 457 deferred compensation plan for employees of The Monroe County Water Authority meeting the requirements of Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and Section 5 of the State Finance Law, including all rules and regulations issued pursuant thereto.

A copy of the proposal may be obtained from: Amy A. Molinari, e-mail: amy.molinari@mcwa.com

All proposals must be submitted no later than 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 3, 2021.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority

Draft Request For Proposals (RFP)
Transportation of Solid Waste to the
Oneida-Herkimer Landfill for Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Management Authority

Pursuant to New York State General Municipal Law, Section 120-w, the Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority hereby gives notice of the following:

The Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority (OHWSA) desires to procure an agreement for 5 years beginning 10/24/2021 for transportation of non-recyclable waste from 2 transfer stations to the Oneida-Herkimer Landfill, Ava, NY. Comments on the Draft RFP must be received by 1:00 p.m. on 3/8/2021.

The Authority does not discriminate because of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, disability or marital status. All qualified respondents will be afforded equal opportunities without discrimination. Furthermore, the Authority invites certified Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE) participation in this RFP. Firms that are not M/WBEs responding to this RFP are strongly encouraged to consider partnering, or creating other similar joint venture arrangements with certified M/WBEs and to give M/WBEs the opportunity to participate in responding to this RFP. The directory of New York State M/WBE’s can be viewed at: http://www.esd.ny.gov/mwbe.html

Copies of the Draft RFP may be obtained at www.ohswa.org or through the contact: James V. Biamonte, Contracting Officer, 1600 Genesee St., Utica, NY 13502

PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of State
F-2018-1192
Date of Issuance – January 6, 2021

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the federally approved New York State Coastal Management Program (NYSCLM).

In F-2018-1192, South Fork Wind, LLC (or Applicant) is proposing to install, operate and maintain, and decommission the South Fork Wind Farm Project (proposed activity). The stated purpose of the proposed activity is to generate electricity from an offshore wind farm located in the Lease Area and to transmit it to the East Hampton Substation, located in the Town of East Hampton, Suffolk County, New York.

The Applicant is proposing an approximately 130-megawatt offshore wind energy facility located in the Atlantic Ocean within federal waters on the outer continental shelf. The wind energy facility would develop the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) Renewable Energy Lease Area OCS-A 0517 (formerly part of OCS-A 0486) that is located approximately 35 miles east of Montauk Point, New York. The proposed activity consists of:

- Up to 15 wind turbine generators with a nameplate capacity of 6 to 12 MW per turbine;
- Interarray submarine electric cables connecting the turbines;
- One offshore substation;
- One alternating current (AC) electric export cable buried in the seabed and underground; and
- A new interconnection facility adjacent to the East Hampton Substation where the export cable would interconnect with the Long Island Power Authority electric transmission and distribution system in the Town of East Hampton.

The proposed activity also includes a new Operations and Maintenance (O&M) facility that may be located in Montauk, New York or at Quonset Point in North Kingstown, Rhode Island. The O&M facility will be used to prepare and mobilize for offshore maintenance activities, monitor the wind farm, and/or access storage space for spare parts and other equipment to support maintenance activities. If the
O&M facility is located in Montauk, it would be sited at the Inlet Seafood, LLC property off of East Lake Drive immediately east of the inlet that connects Lake Montauk to Block Island Sound, and the Atlantic Ocean. An approximately 0.9-acre area of Lake Montauk would be dredged to a depth of -12 feet mean lower low water with an additional one foot of allowed overdredge. The initial dredging activity would yield approximately 9,630 cubic yards, with annual maintenance dredging of approximately 2,748 cubic yards to maintain that depth. The proposed material disposal location has not been specified. Other potential in-water work may include replacing approximately 200 linear feet of bulkhead and installing new piling to support fixed and floating docks and to create mooring dolphins (number and configuration have not been specified). The facility may also include constructing a new office space (up to 1,000 square feet), equipment storage space (up to 6,600 square feet), a stationary crane for equipment transfer, up to three (3) vessel berths for the crew transfer vessels, as well as accommodations for parking spaces, additional containers for equipment storage, and minor surface improvements.

The proposed activity includes project components in federal waters, in New York State waters, and on uplands of New York State. The consistency review pertains to aspects of the proposed activity with reasonably foreseeable effects on New York’s coastal uses and resources. The proposed activity may be located within or has the potential to affect the following Special Management or Regulated Area(s):
- Town of East Hampton Local Waterfront Revitalization Program: https://docs.dos.ny.gov/opd-lwrp/LWRP/East%20Hampton_T/ Index.html;
- Significant Coastal Fish and Wildlife Habitat Areas of Hither Hills Uplands, Napeague Harbor, and Napeague Beach: https://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/SCFHabitats.html;
- East Hampton Scenic Areas of Statewide Significance: https://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/SASS_Report20081229_All.pdf; and
- Coastal Erosion Hazard Area (CEHA): Natural Protective Feature Areas.

The applicant’s consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are included in the Construction and Operations Plan, which is available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York. The project description, consistency certification, and coastal policy analysis are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2018-1192_SFWFforPN.pdf

The applicant’s complete Construction and Operations Plan is available on BOEM’s website at: https://www.boem.gov/South-Fork/. The proposed activity is also the subject of an on-going coordinated Environmental Review, with BOEM acting as the lead federal agency. On October 18, 2018, BOEM published a Notice of Intent to prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) based on the applicant’s Construction and Operation Plan pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). BOEM’s DEIS is anticipated to be published in early January 2021.

A portion of the proposed activity is the subject of a separate review by the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) for an Article VII Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need, namely approximately 3.5 miles of submarine export cable from the New York State territorial waters boundary to the south shore of the Town of East Hampton and approximately 4.1 miles of terrestrial export cable from the south shore of the Town of East Hampton to the proposed interconnection facility (see Case 18-T-0604).

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning the proposed activity may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 30 days from the date of publication of this notice or February 5, 2021.

Comments should reference the DOS File F-2018-1192 and be addressed to: Department of State, Office of Planning and Development and Community Infrastructure, Consistency Review Unit, One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1010, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231. Electronic submissions can be made by email at CR@dos.ny.gov, with the subject line: F-2018-1192.

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 930.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of State
F-2020-0734
Date of Issuance – January 6, 2021

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program.

In F-2020-0734, Roger Warren proposes to excavate stone along riverbank to create 20-foot by 30-foot flat area for jet ski ramps.

Town of Lisbon, St. Lawrence County, St. Lawrence River

The applicant’s consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0734ConsistencyCert.pdf

Original copies of public information and data submitted by the applicant are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York.

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, or January 21, 2021.

Comments should be addressed to: Consistency Review Unit, Department of State, Office of Planning, Development & Community Infrastructure, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of State
F-2020-0765
Date of Issuance – January 6, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activities comply with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the federally approved New York State Coastal Management Program (NYSCMP). The applicant’s consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York.

In F-2020-0765, the applicant, Paul Oleson, is proposing to install approximately 100 cubic yards of riprap along 62 feet of shoreline and remove an existing dock to be replaced with a 30’x23’ dock along the shoreline, and building a structure for storage on top of the new dock. This proposal is located at 201 Main Street, Village of Youngstown, Niagara County, Niagara River.

The applicants’ consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0765.pdf

The proposed activity would be located within or has the potential to affect the following Special Management or Regulated Area(s):
- Village of Youngstown Local Waterfront Revitalization Program: https://docs.dos.ny.gov/opd-lwrp/LWRP/Youngstown_V/Index.html

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Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 30 days from the date of publication of this notice or February 5, 2021.

Comments should be addressed to: Department of State, Office of Planning and Development and Community Infrastructure, Consistency Review Unit, One Commerce Plaza, Suite 1010, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of State
F-2020-0845
Date of Issuance – January 6, 2021

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program.

In F-2020-0845, The City of Rochester proposes the excavation of a hand-carry boat launch on the upland side of the existing river wall. Removal of a 70 ft. section of the river wall initially to elevation 509.6 and finished to elevation 510.6 which is two ft. below the normal river pool elevation of 512.6 to provide direct access to the river wall. A fixed catwalk and seasonal float dock for access to water-related recreational activities. Applicant also proposes to place approximately 100 cy of material (natural sand) resulting from dwelling foundation excavation landward of tidal wetlands. Proposed structure to consist of 4’ x 17’ ramp connecting to 4’ x 75’ elevated fixed catwalk (Revised plans). Catwalk to be elevated a minimum 18’ above grade. Float dock (6’ x 20’) and aluminum ramp (3’ x 12’) are to be removed seasonally. Two (2) float piles are also proposed. Catwalk to be constructed using open-grate decking to minimize shading impacts. A fence and gate along the property outside of the tidal wetland and a natural buffer are also being proposed.

City of Rochester, Monroe County, Genesee River

The applicant’s consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0845ConsistencyCert.pdf

Original copies of public information and data submitted by the applicant are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York.

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, or January 21, 2021.

Comments should be addressed to: Consistency Review Unit, Department of State, Office of Planning, Development & Community Infrastructure, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of State
F-2020-0902
Date of Issuance – January 6, 2020

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program.

In F-2020-0902, Patrick Berrigan, is proposing to construct a ~24’x16’ over the water pile supported platform to which two 4’x24’ pile supported floating seasonal docks would be connected in a “T” configuration. The project is proposed for 20 Tuscaraora Street (Rivers Edge Condominium) in the Village of Lewiston, Niagara County on the Lower Niagara River.

The applicant’s consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0902ForPN.pdf

Copies of public information and data submitted by the applicant are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York.

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, or February 5, 2021.

Comments should be addressed to: Consistency Review Unit, Department of State, Office of Planning, Development & Community Infrastructure, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

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PUBLIC NOTICE  
Department of State  
F-2020-0955 through F-2020-0960  

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the federally approved New York State Coastal Management Program (NYSCMP). The applicant’s consistency certification and accompanying public information and data are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York.

In F-2020-0955, F-2020-0956, F-2020-0957, F-2020-0958, F-2020-0959, and F-2020-0960, the consultant, Tim Sommer at First Coastal Corp., is proposing to construct a 370-foot-long living shoreline along six contiguous properties. The shoreline design would contain four parts: an emergent rock sill consisting of 155 cubic yards of stone approximately 40 linear feet seaward of Mean High Water; marsh restoration using approximately 932 cubic yards of clean sand placed above emergent rock sill; a rock-core dune of 177 cubic yards of toe stone and fill stone placed below the plane of Spring High Water; and 636 cubic yards clean sand and planted beach grass on the rock-core dune to act as dune restoration. This project is located at 612, 614, 618, 620, 622, and 624 Dune Road, Town of Southampton, Suffolk County, Moriches Bay.

The applicants’ consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-0955.pdf  

The proposed activity would be located within or has the potential to affect the following Special Management or Regulated Area(s):
- Moriches Bay Significant Coastal Fish and Wildlife Habitats: https://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/consistency/Habitats/LongIsland/Moriches_Bay.pdf

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, or February 5, 2021.

Comments should be addressed to: Department of State, Office of Coastal, Local Government and Community Sustainability, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Suite, 1010, Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 474-6572.

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 930.

PUBLIC NOTICE  
Department of State  
F-2020-1107 (DA)  

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The NOAA’s National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has determined that the proposed activity will be undertaken in a manner consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the New York State Coastal Management Program. The applicant’s consistency determination and accompanying supporting information and data are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue in Albany, New York.

Pursuant to the action requested by the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council), NMFS would promulgate a new rule to implement Amendment 12 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Dolphin and Wahoo Fishery of the Atlantic (Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 12). Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 12 would add bullet mackerel and frigate mackerel to the Fishery Management Plan for the Dolphin and Wahoo Fishery of the Atlantic and designate them as ecosystem component (EC) species. The Council noted that the two mackerel species have been documented as important forage species particularly for wahoo and to a lesser extent for dolphin. The purpose of Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 12 is to acknowledge the ecological role of bullet mackerel and frigate mackerel as forage fish and achieve ecosystem management objectives. NMFS and the Council determined that bullet mackerel and frigate mackerel are currently not in need of conservation and management, making them eligible for consideration as EC species under provisions found within the National Standard Guidelines and complying with the requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and other applicable laws.

The applicant’s consistency certification and supporting information are available for review at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-1107 Amendment12.pdf

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, or January 21, 2021.

Comments should be addressed to: Department of State, Office of Coastal, Local Government and Community Sustainability, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Suite, 1010, Albany, NY 12231, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 474-6572.

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PUBLIC NOTICE  
Department of State  
F-2020-1128  

The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program.

In F-2020-1128, The Shore & Country Club, is proposing to perform maintenance dredging at the existing facility in Charles Creek, Norwalk Harbor, Norwalk, Connecticut, with subsequent confined open-water placement of up to 14,970 cubic yards of dredged material at the Central Long Island Sound Disposal Site (CLDS). The CLDS is located within Long Island Sound, south of South End Point, East Haven, Connecticut and north of the Village of Shoreham, Town of Brookhaven, Suffolk County. The site boundary is a 2.4 square nautical mile rectangle centered at 41° 08.95' N and 72° 52.95' W (NAD 83).

Original copies of the public information and data submitted by the applicant are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York. Electronic copies of the applicant’s consistency certification and supporting information are available for review and download at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-1128S&CCC ConsistencyCert

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their
views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 15/30 days from the date of publication of this notice, or, by Friday, February 5, 2021.

Comments should be addressed to: Consistency Review Unit, Department of State, Office of Planning, Development & Community Infrastructure, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12223, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 930.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of State
F-2020-1129
Date of Issuance – January 6, 2021
The New York State Department of State (DOS) is required by Federal regulations to provide timely public notice for the activities described below, which are subject to the consistency provisions of the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity complies with and will be conducted in a manner consistent with the approved New York State Coastal Management Program.

In F-2020-1129, Mr. Robert Staab, is proposing to perform maintenance dredging around an existing recreational dock in the Connecticut River, Old Lyme, Connecticut, with subsequent un-confined open-water placement of up to 1,200 cubic yards of dredged material at the Eastern Long Island Sound Disposal Site (ELDS). The ELDS is located in Long Island Sound, west of Fishers Island, Town of Southold, Suffolk County, New York. The site boundary is approximately a 1.3 square nautical mile rectangular shape with a center point located at: 41.27184 N; -72.10375 W.

Original copies of the public information and data submitted by the applicant are available for inspection at the New York State Department of State offices located at One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, in Albany, New York. Electronic copies of the submission are available for viewing or download at: http://www.dos.ny.gov/odp/programs/pdfs/Consistency/F-2020-1129StaabConsistencyCert

Any interested parties and/or agencies desiring to express their views concerning any of the above proposed activities may do so by filing their comments, in writing, no later than 4:30 p.m., 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, or, by Friday, February 5, 2021.

Comments should be addressed to: Consistency Review Unit, Department of State, Office of Planning, Development & Community Infrastructure, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12223, (518) 474-6000, Fax (518) 473-2464. Electronic submissions can be made by email at: CR@dos.ny.gov

This notice is promulgated in accordance with Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 930.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of State
Uniform Code Variance/Appeal Petitions
Pursuant to 19 NYCRR Part 1205, the variance and appeal petitions below have been received by the Department of State. Unless otherwise indicated, they involve requests for relief from provisions of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code. Persons wishing to review any petitions, provide comments, or receive actual notices of any subsequent proceeding may contact Brian Tollisen or Neil Collier, Building Standards and Codes, Department of State, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12223, (518) 474-4073 to make appropriate arrangements.

2020-0561: In the matter of Architectural Resources, Doug Scheu, 505 Franklin Street, Buffalo, NY 14202, for a variance concerning safety requirements, including emergency signal requirements. Involved is a building located at 1156 Cook Street, Town of Dannemora, County of Clinton, State of New York.

2020-0573: In the matter of SWBR Architecture, Steven V. Rebholz, 387 E. Main Street, Rochester, NY 14604, for a variance including building area requirements. Involved is an existing building located at 33 Letchworth Street, City of Auburn, County of Cayuga, State of New York.

2020-0398: In the matter of CS ARCH, Matthew Heiser, 40 Beaver Street, Albany, NY 12207, for a variance concerning safety requirements, including building area requirements. Involved is an existing building located at 33 Market Street, Village of Keene Valley, County of Essex, State of New York.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Department of State
Uniform Code Variance/Appeal Petitions
Pursuant to 19 NYCRR Part 1205, the variance and appeal petitions below have been received by the Department of State. Unless otherwise indicated, they involve requests for relief from provisions of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code. Persons wishing to review any petitions, provide comments, or receive actual notices of any subsequent proceeding may contact Brian Tollisen or Neil Collier, Building Standards and Codes, Department of State, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12223, (518) 474-4073 to make appropriate arrangements.

2020-0585: In the matter of Darin Melberger, Jacobs Engineering, 500 7th Avenue, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10018 requesting a variance concerning fire safety and building code requirements, to Cargill Cayuga Mine located at 191 Portland Point Road, Town of Lansing, Tompkins County, State of New York.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Susquehanna River Basin Commission
Actions Taken at December 11, 2020 Meeting
SUMMARY: As part of its regular business meeting held on December 11, 2020, from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, the Commission approved the applications of certain water resources projects, and took additional actions, as set forth in the Supplementary Information below.

ADDRESSES: Susquehanna River Basin Commission, 4423 N. Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110-1788.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jason E. Oyler, General Counsel and Secretary; telephone: (717) 238-0423, ext. 1312, fax: (717) 238-2436; e-mail: joyler@srbc.net. Regular mail inquiries may be sent to the above address. See also Commission website at www.srbc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In addition to the actions taken on projects identified in the summary above and the listings below, the following items were also presented or acted upon at the business meeting: (1) tabled action on a policy to incentivize the use of impaired waters; (2) adoption of an updated regulatory program fee

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schedule; (3) adoption of a general permit for groundwater remediation projects; (4) ratification/approval of contracts/grants; (5) a report on delegated settlements; and (6) Regulatory Program projects.

The Commission is also making its draft Comprehensive Plan available for public comment. The draft plan can be obtained by visiting the Commission’s website, https://www.srbc.net/our-work/programs/planning-operations/comprehensive-plan.html, or by contacting Paula Ballaron, Manager of Policy Implementation and Outreach. The Commission will hold a public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan on February 1, 2021 via telephone. The Commission will also host two webinars on January 25 and 27, 2021. Written public comments may be sent to John Balay, Manager of Planning & Operations. The deadline for written public comments is February 19, 2021.

Project Applications Approved:
1. Project Sponsor and Facility: Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation (Susquehanna River), Susquehanna Depot Borough, Susquehanna County, Pa. Application for renewal of surface water withdrawal of up to 1.500 mgd (peak day) (Docket No. 20161202).
2. Project Sponsor and Facility: Chesapeake Appalachia, L.L.C. (Towanda Creek), Monroe Borough and Monroe Township, Bradford County, Pa. Application for surface water withdrawal of up to 1.500 mgd (peak day).
3. Project Sponsor and Facility: Denver Borough, Lancaster County, Pa. Application for renewal of groundwater withdrawal of up to 0.120 mgd (30-day average) from Well 4 (Docket No. 19960102).
4. Project Sponsor and Facility: Elmira Water Board, City of Elmira, Chemung County, N.Y. Applications for renewal of groundwater withdrawals (30-day averages) of up to 0.907 mgd from Well P-3, 0.889 mgd from Well P-4, and 0.389 mgd from Well P-5, for a total wellfield of 2.185 mgd (Docket No. 19901105).
5. Project Sponsor: Goodyear Lake Hydro, LLC. Project Facility: Colliersville Hydroelectric Project, Town of Milford, Otsego County, N.Y. Application for an existing hydroelectric facility.
6. Project Sponsor: Borough of Middletown. Project Facility: SUEZ/Middletown Water System, Middletown Borough, Dauphin County, Pa. Application for renewal of groundwater withdrawal of up to 0.219 mgd (30-day average) from Well 5 (Docket No. 19890701), as well as recognizing historic withdrawals from Wells 1, 2, 3, and 4.
7. Project Sponsor and Facility: Seneca Resources Company, LLC (Cowanesque River), Deerfield Township, Tioga County, Pa. Application for renewal of surface water withdrawal of up to 0.999 mgd (peak day) (Docket No. 20161218-2).
8. Project Sponsor: ELV Amenity Water Authority, Bradford County, Pa. Application for renewal of groundwater withdrawal of up to 0.206 mgd (30-day average) from Mine Spring No. 1, for a total wellfield of 0.907 mgd (Docket No. 20020806).

PROJECT SCHEDULED FOR ACTION INVOLVING A DIVERSION:
1. Project Sponsor: JKL Energy, LCC. Project Facility: Goodwin and Son’s Sand and Gravel Quarry, Roulette Township, Potter County, Pa. Application for reclassification of an existing basin diversions from the Ohio River Basin of up to 1.100 mgd (peak day) by the Goodwin and Son’s Sand and Gravel Quarry (Docket No. 20161222).
2. Commission Initiated Project Approval Modifications
5. City of Cortland – Cortland Water Department, GF Certificate No. GF-202011131, City of Cortland, Cortland County, N.Y.; Wells 3 and 5; Issue Date: November 5, 2020.

Dated: December 15, 2020
Jason E. Oyler, General Counsel and Secretary to the Commission.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Susquehanna River Basin Commission

Projects Approved for Consumptive Uses of Water

SUMMARY: This notice lists the projects approved by rule by the Susquehanna River Basin Commission during the period set forth in “DATES.”

DATES: October 1-31, 2020
ADDRESSES: Susquehanna River Basin Commission, 4423 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110-1788.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jason E. Oyler, General Counsel and Secretary to the Commission, telephone: (717) 238-0423, ext. 1312; fax: (717) 238-2436; e-mail: joyler@srbc.net.

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1. Distributed Underwater Conservation Area, Franklin Township, Mercer County, PA; Wells 1; Issue Date: November 4, 2020.
2. Spruce Run Environmental Center, Delaware Penny Township, Cumberland County, PA; Wells 1; Issue Date: November 4, 2020.
3. Ridge Spring Brewery, ad Ales Landfill, Lebanon Township, York County, PA; Wells 1, 2, and 3; Issue Date: November 5, 2020.
4. Latrobe Water Treatment Plant, Latrobe Borough, Westmoreland County, PA; Wells 1, 2, and 3; Issue Date: November 5, 2020.
Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 1, 2020.
2. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: SHEDDEN (01 075); ABR-201007004.R2; Granville Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 1, 2020.
3. LPR Energy, LLC; Pad ID: Lightner East Drilling Pad #1; ABR-201009087.R2; Juniata Township, Blair County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 2.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 2, 2020.
4. Seneca Resources, LLC; Pad ID: Covington Pad L; ABR-201006111.R2; Covington Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 3.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
5. Seneca Resources, LLC; Pad ID: COP Pad C; ABR-201008027.R2; Lawrence Township, Clearfield County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.9990 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
6. Seneca Resources, LLC; Pad ID: Doan 893; ABR-201006070.R2; Deerfield Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 3.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
7. Seneca Resources, LLC; Pad ID: Anthony 564; ABR-201006111.R2; Delmar Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 3.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
8. Seneca Resources, LLC; Pad ID: Hauswirth 516; ABR-201006888.R2; Richmond Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
9. Seneca Resources, LLC; Pad ID: Matz 824; ABR-201007010.R2; Chatham Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
10. Seneca Resources, LLC; Pad ID: Frost 573; ABR-201007013.R2; Covington Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
11. Seneca Resources, LLC; Pad ID: Sorensen 876; ABR-201007021.R2; Osceola Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
12. Chesapeake Appalachia, L.L.C.; Pad ID: Hopson; ABR-201010004.R2; Asylum Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 7.5000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
13. Chesapeake Appalachia, L.L.C.; Pad ID: Yvonne; ABR-201010015.R2; Rush Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 7.5000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
14. Diversified Production, LLC; Pad ID: Phoenix E; ABR-201008130.R2; Duncan Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 3.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
15. Chief Oil & Gas, LLC; Pad ID: Warburton North Drilling Pad; ABR-201510003.R1; Forks Township, Sullivan County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 2.5000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
16. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: Arnonef P1; ABR-201507004.R1; Brooklyn Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
17. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: Bisti6m P1; ABR-201507005.R1; Lathrop Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
18. Eclipse Resources-PA, LP; Pad ID: Abplanalp; ABR-201512001.R1; Westfield Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
19. Eclipse Resources-PA, LP; Pad ID: Painter; ABR-201510002.R1; Westfield Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 14, 2020.
20. SWN Production Company, LLC; Pad ID: Ball; ABR-201007060.R2; Stevens Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.9990 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
21. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: FEUSNER (03 044); ABR-201007094.R2; Columbia Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
22. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: WARNER VALLEY FARM LLC (05 002); ABR-201007130.R2; Pike Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
23. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: WATSON (03 051); ABR-201007084.R2; Columbia Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
24. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: Lambert PI1; ABR-201507006.R1; Gibson Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
25. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: AdamsJ P1; ABR-201007121.R2; Harford Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
26. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: DavisJ PI1; ABR-201007120.R2; Gibson Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
27. Seneca Resources, LLC; Pad ID: Wood 874; ABR-201007069.R2; Deerfield Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
28. Seneca Resources, LLC; Pad ID: Hamblin 860; ABR-201007117.R2; Middlebury Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
29. Frontier Natural Resources, Inc.; Pad ID: Winner 4H; ABR-201009004.R2; West Keating Township, Clinton County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
30. SWN Production Company, LLC; Pad ID: NR-19-Walker Diehl; ABR-201507003.R1; Oakland Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.9990 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
31. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: Ploskij PI1; Brooklyn Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
32. Seneca Resources Company, LLC; Pad ID: Gee 848V; ABR-201007093.R2; Middlebury Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
33. ARD Operating, LLC; Pad ID: COP Tr 285 Pad D; ABR-201008013.R2; Chapman Township, Clinton County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 28, 2020.
34. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: YOUNG (05 080); ABR-201007080.R2; Warren Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 30, 2020.
35. EOG Resources, Inc.; Pad ID: KINGSLEY 2H; ABR-20100692.R2; Springfield Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 3.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 30, 2020.
36. EOG Resources, Inc.; Pad ID: KINGSLEY 3H; ABR-20100698.R2; Springfield Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 3.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 30, 2020.
37. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: CUMMINGS LUMBER (01 081); ABR-201007088.R2; Troy Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 30, 2020.
38. ARD Operating, LLC; Pad ID: COP Tr 356 Pad H; ABR-201008020.R2; Cummings Township, Lycoming County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 30, 2020.
39. ARD Operating, LLC; Pad ID: COP Tr 290 Pad B; ABR-201008029.R2; McHenry Township, Lycoming County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 30, 2020.
40. ARD Operating, LLC; Pad ID: Brian K. Frymire Pad A; ABR-201008056.R2; Cascade Township, Lycoming County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: October 30, 2020.
PUBLIC NOTICE
Susquehanna River Basin Commission

Projects Approved for Consumptive Uses of Water

SUMMARY: This notice lists the projects approved by rule by the Susquehanna River Basin Commission during the period set forth in “DATES.”

DATES: November 1-30, 2020

ADDRESSES: Susquehanna River Basin Commission, 4423 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110-1788.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice lists the projects, described below, receiving approval for the consumptive use of water pursuant to the Commission’s approval by rule process set forth in 18 CFR § 806.22(e) and 18 CFR § 806.22(f) for the time period specified above:

Water Source Approval – Issued Under 18 CFR 806.22(e)
1. LPR Energy, LLC; Pad ID: Davis Drilling Pad #1; ABR-201007067.R2; West Clair Township, Bedford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 2.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 11, 2020.
2. Pennsylvania General Energy Company, L.L.C.; Pad ID: COP Tract 729 Pad D; ABR-201008052.R2; Cummings Township, Lycoming County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 3.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 11, 2020.
3. Pennsylvania General Energy Company, L.L.C.; Pad ID: COP Tract 729 Pad C; ABR-201008051.R2; Cummings Township, Lycoming County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 3.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 11, 2020.
4. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: ROY (03 062) L; ABR-201008089.R2; Wells Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 11, 2020.
5. Rockdale Marcellus, LLC; Pad ID: Swingle 725; ABR-201007129.R2; Canton Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 11, 2020.
6. Seneca Resources Company, LLC; Pad ID: Bauer 849; ABR-201008032.R2; Middlebury Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 11, 2020.
7. Seneca Resources Company, LLC; Pad ID: Fuleihan 417; ABR-201008073.R2; Delmar Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 11, 2020.
8. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: DETWEILER (02 100) R; ABR-201008023.R2; Covington Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 16, 2020.
9. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: DCNR 594 (02 205); ABR-201008040.R2; Bloss Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 16, 2020.
10. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: DCNR 587 (02 019); ABR-201008072.R2; Ward Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 16, 2020.
11. Seneca Resources Company, LLC; Pad ID: Sticklin 510; ABR-201007113.R2; Delmar Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 16, 2020.
12. Epsilon Energy USA, Inc.; Pad ID: Harold Craig Pad A; ABR-202011002; Rush Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 7.5000 mgd; Approval Date: November 19, 2020.
13. SWN Production Company, LLC; Pad ID: Chamberlin; ABR-201008008.R2; Stevens Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.9990 mgd; Approval Date: November 19, 2020.
14. ARD Operating, LLC; Pad ID: Nevin L. Smith Pad A; ABR-201008115.R2; Gamble Township, Lycoming County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 19, 2020.
15. Rockdale Marcellus, LLC; Pad ID: Hedrick 702; ABR-201007092.R2; Union Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 19, 2020.
16. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation.; Pad ID: WarrinerR P4; ABR-201008123.R2; Dimock Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 19, 2020.
17. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: AYERS (05 005) K; ABR-201008129.R2; Orwell Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 20, 2020.
18. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: STROPE (05 026) G; ABR-201008152.R2; Warren Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 20, 2020.
19. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: CARPENTER (03 023) K; ABR-201008141.R2; Columbia Township, Bradford County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 20, 2020.
20. ARD Operating, LLC; Pad ID: Brooks Family Pad A; ABR-201508002.R1; Cascade Township, Lycoming County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 20, 2020.
21. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: StockholmK P2; ABR-201008134.R2; Rush Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 20, 2020; Revocation Date: November 16, 2020.
22. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: Maiolini P3; ABR-201008114.R2; Dimock and Auburn Townships, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 20, 2020.
23. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: Teel P2; ABR-201508004.R1; Dimock Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 20, 2020.
24. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: KingD P1; ABR-201009010.R2; Dimock Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 20, 2020.
25. Rockdale Marcellus, LLC; Pad ID: Yaggie 704; ABR-201006113.R2; Union Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 4.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 24, 2020.
26. Repsol Oil & Gas USA, LLC; Pad ID: Sparrow Hawk; ABR-201009044.R2; Covington Township, Tioga County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 6.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 24, 2020.
27. Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation; Pad ID: CosnerW P1; ABR-201009047.R2; Springville Township, Susquehanna County, Pa.; Consumptive Use of Up to 5.0000 mgd; Approval Date: November 24, 2020.
PUBLIC NOTICE
Susquehanna River Basin Commission
Projects Approved for Minor Modifications

SUMMARY: This notice lists the minor modifications approved for a previously approved project by the Susquehanna River Basin Commission during the period set forth in “DATES.”


ADDRESSES: Susquehanna River Basin Commission, 4423 North Front Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110-1788.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jason E. Oyler, General Counsel, telephone: (717) 238-0423, ext. 1312; fax: (717) 238-2436; e-mail: joyler@srbc.net. Regular mail inquiries may be sent to the above address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice lists previously approved projects, receiving approval of minor modifications, described below, pursuant to 18 CFR 806.18 or to Commission Resolution Nos. 2013-11 and 2015-06 for the time period specified above:

Minor Modification Issued Under 18 CFR § 806.18

1. Northeast Marcellus Aqua Midstream I, LLC, Docket No. 20200919, Tunkhannock Township, Wyoming County, Pa.; approval to change intake design to add a temporary intake structure to allow withdrawals during low flow conditions when the existing permanent intake is inoperable; Approval Date: November 12, 2020.


Jason E. Oyler,
General Counsel and Secretary to the Commission.

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, I issued Executive Order Number 202, declaring a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York; and

WHEREAS, both travel-related cases and community contact transmission of COVID-19 have been documented in New York State and are expected to continue;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDREW M. CUOMO, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of New York, do hereby find that a disaster continues to exist for which affected state agencies and local governments are unable to respond adequately. Therefore, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the State of New York and Section 28 of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, I hereby continue for thirty days the declaration of the State Disaster Emergency effective March 7, 2020, as set forth in Executive Order 202. This Executive order shall remain in effect through January 1, 2021.

IN ADDITION, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law to temporarily suspend or modify any statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation, or parts thereof, of any agency during a State disaster emergency, if compliance with such statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation would prevent, hinder, or delay action necessary tocope with the disaster emergency or if necessary to assist or aid in coping with such disaster, or to provide any directive necessary to respond to the disaster, do hereby continue the suspensions and modifications of law, and any directives not superseded by a subsequent directive, contained in Executive Orders 202, declaring a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York; and

WHEREAS, both travel-related cases and community contact transmission of COVID-19 have been documented in New York State and are expected to continue;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDREW M. CUOMO, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law to temporarily suspend or modify any statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation, or parts thereof, of any agency during a State disaster emergency, if compliance with such statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation would prevent, hinder, or delay action necessary to cope with the disaster emergency or if necessary to assist or aid in coping with such disaster, or to provide any directive necessary to respond to the disaster, do hereby continue the suspensions and modifications of law, and any directives not superseded by a subsequent directive, contained in Executive Order 202.79 for another thirty days through January 1, 2021; and hereby temporarily suspend or modify the following from the date of this Executive Order through January 1, 2021:

- Paragraph 7 of subdivision h of section 405.9 of Title 10 of the NYCRR, to the extent necessary to permit general hospitals licensed pursuant to Article 28 of the Public Health Law that are treating patients during the disaster emergency to rapidly transfer, or receive such patients, and to enable inter- or intra-system patient load balancing as may be required by the Commissioner of Health, provided such facilities take all reasonable measures to protect the health and safety of such patients, including safe transfer practices;

- The directive contained in 202.68 that required the Department of Health to determine areas in the State that require enhanced public health restrictions based on cluster-based cases of COVID is hereby modified to provide that schools located within geographic areas designated by the Department of Health as “red zones” and “orange zones” may conduct in-person instruction during the period of time that the zone is designated “red” or “orange,” subject to compliance with guidance and directives of the Department of Health.

(L.S.)

GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of Albany this second day of December in the year two thousand twenty.

BY THE GOVERNOR

/s/ Andrew M. Cuomo

/s/ Melissa DeRosa

Secretary to the Governor


WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, I issued Executive Order Number 202, declaring a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York; and

WHEREAS, both travel-related cases and community contact transmission of COVID-19 have been documented in New York State and are expected to continue;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDREW M. CUOMO, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law to temporarily suspend or modify any statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation, or parts thereof, of any agency during a State disaster emergency, if compliance with such statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation would prevent, hinder, or delay action necessary to cope with the disaster emergency or if necessary to assist or aid in coping with such disaster, or to provide any directive necessary to respond to the disaster, do hereby continue the suspensions and modifications of law, and any directives not superseded by a subsequent directive, contained in Executive Order 202.80 for another thirty days through January 8, 2021.

(L.S.)

GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of Albany this ninth day of December in the year two thousand twenty.

BY THE GOVERNOR

/s/ Andrew M. Cuomo

/s/ Melissa DeRosa

Secretary to the Governor


WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, I issued Executive Order Number 202, declaring a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York; and

WHEREAS, both travel-related cases and community contact transmission of COVID-19 have been documented in New York State and are expected to continue;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDREW M. CUOMO, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section
Executive Orders

29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law to temporarily suspend or modify any statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation, or parts thereof, of any agency during a State disaster emergency, if compliance with such statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation would prevent, hinder, or delay action necessary to cope with the disaster emergency or if necessary to assist or aid in coping with such disaster, or to provide any directive necessary to respond to the disaster, do hereby continue the suspensions and modifications of law, and any directives not superseded by a subsequent directive, contained in Executive Orders 202.22 up to and including 202.26, and 202.32, 202.33, 202.34, 202.35, 202.44, 202.45, 202.53, 202.57, 202.64, and 202.69 as continued and contained in Executive Order 202.75, and Executive Order 202.74, for another thirty days through January 10, 2021 and hereby temporarily suspend or modify the following from the date of this Executive Order through January 10, 2021:

- Section 221-a of the Racing, Pari-mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law to the extent necessary to allow the Gaming Commission to establish by emergency order a reduced the standards for jockeys to qualify for health insurance due to race date cancellations as a result of governmental closure orders;
- Sections 2018-a and 2018-b and paragraphs 5 of subdivision 2 of section 1951 of the Education Law to the extent necessary to include the potential for contraction of the virus that causes COVID-19 as an illness for purposes of request or receipt of an absentee ballot;

IN ADDITION, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law to issue any directive during a disaster emergency necessary to cope with the disaster, I hereby modify and continue the following directives for the period from the date of this Executive Order through January 10, 2021:

- The directive contained in Executive Order 202.48, which modified the directive in Executive Order in 202.28, as continued by Executive Order 202.75 that prohibited the initiation of a proceeding or enforcement of an eviction of any commercial tenant for nonpayment of rent or a foreclosure of any commercial mortgage for nonpayment is hereby continued until January 31, 2021.
- The directive contained in Executive Order 202.30 as continued in Executive Order 202.79 is hereby modified to allow an article 28 general hospital to discharge a patient who has not obtained a negative result to a COVID-19 test, provided that such patient is beyond the infectious period of time as required to be measured by centers for disease control policy, only to a COVID-positive only facility if such facility first certifies that it is able to properly care for such patient.
- The directive contained in Executive Order 202.61 as continued in Executive Order 202.79 is hereby modified to suspend authorization for indoor dining within New York City effective on Monday December 14, 2020.
- The directive contained in Executive Order 202.68 that required the Department of Health to determine areas in the State that require enhanced public health restrictions based on cluster-based cases of COVID-19 is hereby modified to provide that, effective December 14, 2020, gyms and fitness centers or classes located within geographic areas designated by the Department of Health as “orange zones” may continue to operate beginning on December 14, 2020 at 25% capacity subject to strict adherence to Department of Health guidance. Barbers, hair salons, spas, tattoo or piercing parlors, nail technicians and nail salons, cosmetologists, estheticians, the provision of laser hair removal and electrolysis, and all other personal care services located within geographic areas designated by the Department of Health as “orange zones” may continue to operate, effective December 14, 2020, subject to strict adherence to Department of Health guidance, provided that employees performing such services directly on, or to, customers receive diagnostic testing for COVID-19 on a weekly basis for the duration of time that the business remains within an “orange zone,” and no employee provides any such services at a re-opened business without first obtaining a negative COVID-19 test result within the preceding 7 days of providing such service.

(N.L.S.)

GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of Albany this eleventh day of December in the year two thousand twenty.

BY THE GOVERNOR

/Sl Andrew M. Cuomo

/s/ Melissa DeRosa

Secretary to the Governor


WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, I issued Executive Order Number 202, declaring a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York; and

WHEREAS, both travel-related cases and community contact transmission of COVID-19 have been documented in New York State and are expected to continue;

WHEREAS, the seriousness of the COVID-19 pandemic is compounded by the concurrent presence in the community of influenza;

WHEREAS, paragraph 1 of subdivision 1 of section 206 and subdivision 1 of section 613 of the Public Health Law authorize the New York State Department of Health and local health departments to establish and conduct programs for the voluntary immunization of adults and the immunization of children to prevent or minimize the spread of disease and to protect the public health;

WHEREAS, to combat the further spread of COVID-19, avoid excessive disruptions to the health care system and society in general, and protect the lives, health, safety and welfare of the public, it is necessary to remove or minimize barriers to the voluntary vaccination of as many individuals as possible as quickly as possible against COVID-19 and influenza, by making available the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities necessary to conduct such vaccinations and facilitating the timely and accurate reporting of vaccinations;

WHEREAS, it is therefore necessary to facilitate the timely distribution and administration of COVID-19 and influenza vaccine in various settings throughout the State, and in particular to permit Points of Dispensing (hereinafter “PODs”) or other vaccination sites, as permitted by this Executive Order that are overseen or approved by the New York State Department of Health or local health departments and operated under the medical supervision of licensed physicians, licensed physician assistants, or certified nurse practitioners, to utilize certain individuals or health professionals who are: (1) not currently authorized to administer vaccinations but who are licensed or certified pursuant to specific provisions of the Education Law or the Public Health Law; or (2) enrolled in an educational or training program pursuant to Education Law or Public Health Law, as specified within this Executive Order; and who will be evaluated and trained as necessary, to administer COVID-19 and influenza vaccinations, where administration of such vaccines includes patient assessment consistent with the terms of the medical oversight provided at the POD or other vaccination site from a licensed physician, licensed physician assistant, or certified nurse practitioner, and is pursuant to a non-patient specific standing order and applicable guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, and the New York State Department of Health;

WHEREAS, health professionals licensed or certified under the Education Law or the Public Health Law are authorized to engage in specific scopes of practice, and this Order shall not expand the scopes of practice of these professionals to allow them routinely to administer vaccinations, but rather will allow them to vaccinate only under the extremely limited circumstances described in and for the duration of this Order;

WHEREAS, to ensure that New Yorkers have insurance coverage

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for COVID-19 immunizations and the administration thereof, includ-
ing any visit(s) necessary to obtain the immunization, so that there are
no barriers for New Yorkers expeditiously obtaining the immuniza-
tions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANDREW M. CUOMO, Governor of the
State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section
29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law to temporarily suspend or
modify any statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or regulation, or
parts thereof, of any agency during a State disaster emergency, if
compliance with such statute, local law, ordinance, order, rule, or
regulation would prevent, hinder, or delay action necessary to cope
with the disaster emergency or if necessary to assist or aid in coping
with such disaster, or to provide any directive necessary to respond to
the disaster, do hereby temporarily suspend or modify the following
from the date of this Executive Order through January 12, 2021:

- Sections 3216(i)(17)(E), 3221(i)(8)(E) and (F), and 4303(j)(3)
of the Insurance Law are modified to apply to grandfathered health plans with regard to COVID-19 immunizations;

- The modification in Executive Order 202 of sections 6521 and
6902 of the Education Law insofar as it limits the execution of medical regimens prescribed by a licensed physician or other licensed and legally authorized health care providers to registered nurses licensed pursuant to Article 139 of the Education Law, to the extent necessary to permit non-nursing staff, as permitted by law or Executive Order and upon completion of training deemed adequate by the Commiss-
ioner of Health, to: (1) collect throat, nasal, or nasopharyngeal swab specimens, as applicable and appropriate, from individuals suspected of being infected by COVID-19 or influenza, for purposes of testing; (2) collect blood specimens for the diagnosis of acute or past COVID-19 disease; (3) administer vaccinations against influenza or COVID-19 pur-
suant to the most recent recommendations by the Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP) and/or an applicable United States Food and Drug Administration approval or Emergency Use Authorization (EUA), subject to any other conditions set forth in this Order, including but not limited to conditions related to training and supervision, where applicable; and (4) where applicable and to the extent necessary, to perform tasks, under the supervision of a nurse, otherwise limited to the scope of practice of a licensed or registered nurse to provide care for individuals diagnosed or suspected of suffering from a COVID-19 or influenza infec-
tion;

- The modification in Executive Order 202.1 of subdivision 4 of
section 6909 of the Education Law, subdivision 6 of section
6527 of the Education Law, and section 64.7 of Title 8 of the
NYCRR, to the extent necessary to include subdivision 1 of
section 6902 of the Education Law, subdivisions 5 and 7 of
section 6909 of the Education Law, subdivision 7 of section
6527 of the Education Law, and section 63.9 of Title 8 of the
NYCRR, in order to permit licensed physicians and certified nurse practitioners to issue a non-patient specific regimen to nurses, physician assistants, specialist assistants, pharmacists, or any such other persons authorized by law or by this execu-
tive order and consistent with guidance as may be issued by the Commissioner: (1) collect throat, nasal, or nasopharyngeal swab specimens, as applicable and appropriate, from individuals suspected of suffering from a COVID-19 or influenza infection, for purposes of testing; (2) collect blood specimens for the diagnosis of acute or past COVID-19 dis-
ease; (3) administer vaccinations against influenza or COVID-19 pursuant to the most recent recommendations by the Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP) and/or an applicable United States Food and Drug Adminis-
tration approval or Emergency Use Authorization (EUA), subject to any other conditions set forth in this Order, includ-
ing but not limited to conditions related to training and supervision, where applicable; and (4) where applicable and to the extent necessary, to perform tasks, under the supervision of a nurse, otherwise limited to the scope of practice of a licensed or registered nurse to provide care for individuals diagnosed or suspected of suffering from a COVID-19 or influenza infection;

- Subdivision 6 of section 6527, subdivisions 4 and 5 of sec-
tion 6909 of the Education Law, and section 64.7 of Title 8 of the
NYCRR, to the extent necessary to permit non-patient specific regimens to be prescribed, ordered to, and executed by registered professional nurses for the administration of COVID-19 vaccine;

- Section 6902 of the Education Law insofar as is necessary to permit non-patient specific regimens to be prescribed, ordered to, and executed by licensed practical nurses, so that for the purposes of this Order only such licensed practical nurses may administer COVID and influenza vaccinations at Points of Dispensing (POD) sites overseen or approved by the New York State Department of Health or local health departments and operated under the medical supervision of licensed physicians, licensed physician assistants, or certified nurse practi-
tioners, provided such licensed practical nurses must first receive training in: (1) techniques, indications, precautions, contraindications, infection control practices; (2) use of personal protective equipment sufficient to provide the basic level of competence for such tasks; and (3) a current certificate in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation, which at a minimum must include a certification in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation by an online program that has received accreditation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), or the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Educa-
tion;

- Chapter 110 of the Laws of 2020 to the extent necessary, and
subject to the certification by the Commissioner of Health and Commissioner of Education, to permit licensed pharma-
cists to administer COVID-19 vaccine less than 90 days after approval of such vaccine by the United States Food and Drug Administration’s Center for Biologics Evaluation and Re-
search;

- Subdivisions 2 and 3 of section 6801 of the Education Law as
well as section 63.9 of Title 8 of the NYCRR, to the extent necessary to permit patient specific orders or non-patient specific regimens for the administration of COVID vaccina-
tion to be prescribed, ordered to, and executed by licensed pharmacists certified to administer immunizations by the State Education Department as well as newly licensed pharmacist, as specified and permitted by this Executive Or-
der;

- Subdivisions 2 and 3 of section 6801, subdivision 7 of sec-
tion 6527, subdivision 7 of Section 6909, subdivision 22 of section 6802, and subdivision 1 of section 6828 of the Educa-
tion Law, as well as section 63.9 of Title 8 of the NYCRR, to the extent necessary to permit non-patient specific regimens for the administration of COVID or influenza vaccination to be prescribed, ordered to, and executed by licensed pharmacists not certified to administer immunizations by the State Education Department, so that for the purposes of this Order only such pharmacists may administer COVID and influenza vaccinations at Points of Dispensing (POD) sites overseen or approved by the New York State Department of Health or lo-
cal health departments and operated under the medical supervision of licensed physicians, licensed physician as-
sistants, or certified nurse practitioners, provided such pharmacists must first receive training in: (1) techniques, indications, precautions, contraindications, infection control practices; (2) use of personal protective equipment sufficient to provide the basic level of competence for such tasks; and (3) a current certificate in basic cardiopulmonary resuscita-
tion, which at a minimum must include a certification in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation by an online program that has received accreditation from the American Nurses Credential-
ing Center, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Educa-
tion (ACPE), or the Accreditation Council for Continuing
Medical Education;  
- Subdivision 2 of section 6801 and subdivision 22 of section
6802 of the Education Law, as well as section 63.9 of Title 8
of the NYCRR, to the extent necessary to permit licensed
physicians and certified nurse practitioners, located in any
county within New York State, to issue a patient specific pre-
scription or a non-patient specific regimen for COVID-19
and influenza vaccination to a pharmacist who is certified to
administer vaccinations as well as to newly licensed pharma-
cists, as specified and permitted by this Executive Order un-
less administering COVID-19 or influenza vaccinations at a
POD site;  
- Subdivisions 2 and 3 of section 6801, subdivision 7 of sec-
tion 6527, subdivision 7 of Section 6909, subdivision 22 of
section 6802, and subdivision 1 of section 6828 of the Educa-
Law, as well as section 63.9 of Title 8 of the NYCRR to the
to extent necessary to permit newly licensed pharmacists,
previously issued a limited permit with certification to
administer immunizations pursuant to section 6806 of the
Education Law as well as section 63.4 of Title 8 of the
NYCRR, to continue to provide such immunizations in New
York State for ninety days immediately following licensure
and registration in New York State and pending certification
of administration for which an application has been filed with
the Department of Education;  
- Section 6951 of the Education Law, and section 79-5.5 of
Title 8 of NYCRR, insofar as such provisions limit the prac-
tice of midwifery to management of normal pregnancies,
child birth and postpartum care as well as primary preventive
reproductive health care of essentially healthy women, and
newborn evaluation, resuscitation and referral for infants,
and insofar as it limits the practice of midwifery to midwives
who practice in accordance with collaborative relationships
with licensed physicians or hospitals, so that for the purposes
of this Executive Order only, midwives may administer vac-
cinations against influenza and COVID-19 to any patient pur-
suant to a non-patient specific order at Points of Dispens-
ing (POD) sites overseen or approved by the New York State
Department of Health or local health departments, and oper-
ated under the medical supervision of licensed physicians,
licensed physician assistants, or certified nurse practitioners.
Provided, however, that a midwife without a certificate is-
issued by the State Education Department for administering
immunizing agents, must first receive training in the follow-
ing areas, as determined by the Commissioner of Health after
consultation with the Commissioner of Education: (1) tech-
niques, indications, precautions, contraindications, infection
control practices; (2) use of personal protective equipment
sufficient to provide the basic level of competence for such
tasks; and (3) a current certificate in basic cardiopulmonary
resuscitation, which at a minimum must include a certifica-
tion in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation by an online
program that has received accreditation from the American
Nurses Credentialing Center, the Accreditation Council for
Pharmacy Education (ACPE), or the Accreditation Council for
Continuing Medical Education;  
- Section 6601 of the Education Law insofar as it limits the
practice of dentistry to the treatment of the mouth and
adjacent tissue, to the exclusion of any other part of the hu-
man body, so that, for the purposes of this Executive Order
only, dentists may administer vaccinations against influenza
and COVID-19 pursuant to a non-patient specific order at
Points of Dispensing (POD) sites overseen or approved by the
New York State Department of Health or local health depa-
rtsments and operated under the medical supervision of
licensed physicians, licensed physician assistants, or certified
nurse practitioners, provided such dentists first receive train-
ing in the following areas, as determined by the Commis-
sioner of Health after consultation with the Commissioner of
Education: (1) techniques, indications, precautions, contrain-
dications, infection control practices; (2) use of personal
protective equipment sufficient to provide the basic level of
competence for such tasks; and (3) a current certificate in ba-
sic cardiopulmonary resuscitation, which at a minimum must
include a certification in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation
by an online program that has received accreditation from the
American Nurses Credentialing Center, the Accreditation
Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), or the Accredita-
tion Council for Continuing Medical Education;  
- Subdivisions 1 and 2 of section 7001 of the Education Law
insofar as it limits the practice of podiatry to the treatment of
the foot, to the exclusion of any other part of the human body,
so that, for the purposes of this Executive Order only,
podiatrists may administer vaccinations against influenza
and COVID-19 pursuant to a non-patient specific order at
Points of Dispensing (POD) sites overseen or approved by the
New York State Department of Health or local health de-
partments, and operated under the medical supervision of
licensed physicians, licensed physician assistants, or certified
dentists, provided such podiatrists first receive training in the
following areas, as determined by the Commissioner of
Health after consultation with the Commissioner of
Education: (1) techniques, indications, precautions, contrain-
dications, infection control practices; (2) use of personal
protective equipment sufficient to provide the basic level of
competence for such tasks; and (3) a current certificate in ba-
sic cardiopulmonary resuscitation, which at a minimum must
include a certification in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation
by an online program that has received accreditation from the
American Nurses Credentialing Center, the Accreditation
Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), or the Accredita-
tion Council for Continuing Medical Education;  
- Subdivisions 6 and 7 of section 3001 of the Public Health
Law, subdivisions o and p of section 800.3, and section
800.15 of Title 10 of the NYCRR insofar as they limit the re-
spondibilities of emergency medical technicians and advanced
emergency medical technicians to administration or supervi-
sion of initial emergency medical care and transportation of
sick or injured persons and insofar as they require emergency
medical technicians and advanced emergency medical techni-
cians to treat patients in accordance with applicable State-
approved protocols unless authorized to do otherwise for an individual patient by a medical control physician, so that, for the purposes of this Executive Order only, persons practicing in an emergency medical technician-paramedics may administer vaccinations against influenza and COVID-19 pursuant to a non-patient specific order sites, as permitted by this Executive Order, without civil or criminal sanction.

- Subdivision (7) of Public Health Law section 3001, and subdivision (p) of section 800.3 of Title 10 of the NYCRR, to the extent necessary to allow certified emergency medical technician-paramedics, providing non-patient specific order and under the medical direction of a licensed physician. Provided, however, that emergency medical technician-paramedics must first receive training in the following areas, as determined by the Commissioner of Health after consultation with the Commissioner of Education: (1) techniques, indications, precautions, contraindications, infection control practices; (2) use of personal protective equipment sufficient to provide the basic level of competence for such tasks; and (3) a current certificate in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation, which at a minimum must include a certification in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation by an online program that has received accreditation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), or the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education;

- Paragraphs a, b, and c of subdivision 2 of section 6801 of the Education Law, and paragraph 5 of subdivision b of section 63.9 of Title 8 of the NYCRR, insofar as they require licensed pharmacists administering immunizing agents pursuant to a non-patient specific regimen to report such administrations to patients’ attending physicians, but, at a minimum, report the vaccination to the CIR or NYSIIS;

- Subparagraph ii of Paragraph 3 of subdivision a of section 64.7 of Title 8 of NYCRR, insofar as it requires registered professional nurses administering immunizing agents pursuant to a non-patient specific regimen to report such administrations to patients’ attending physicians, but, at a minimum, report the vaccination to the CIR or NYSIIS, as applicable;

- Paragraph 3 of subdivision a of section 29.2 of Title 8 of NYCRR, insofar as it makes it an act of professional misconduct for the professions listed within that section to fail to maintain and retain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the evaluation and treatment of the patient, so that, for the purposes of this Executive Order only, persons practicing in an emergency medical technician-paramedics may administer vaccinations pursuant to this Executive Order are not required to maintain and retain such record for those to whom they administer vaccinations against influenza or COVID-19, provided that such persons must comply with all recordkeeping requirements directed by the Department of Health;

- Clause d of subparagraph ii of paragraph 3 of subdivision a of section 64.7 of Title 8 of the NYCRR, insofar as it requires a registered professional nurse administering an immunizing agent pursuant to a non-patient specific regimen to ensure that a record of all persons immunized is recorded, maintained, and retained in accordance with paragraph 3 of subdivision a of section 29.2 of the regulations of the Board of Regents of the State Education Department, so that, for the purposes of this Executive Order only, registered professional nurses are not required to ensure that such a record is maintained and retained for those to whom they administer vaccinations against influenza or COVID-19, provided that such persons must comply with all recordkeeping requirements directed by the Department of Health;

- Subparagraph xi of paragraph 5 of subdivision b of section 63.9 of Title 8 of NYCRR, insofar as it requires a pharmacist administering an immunizing agent pursuant to a non-patient specific regimen to ensure that a record of all persons immunized is recorded, maintained, and retained in accordance with paragraph 3 of subdivision a of section 29.2 of the regulations of the Board of Regents of the State Education Department, so that, for the purposes of this Executive Order only, pharmacists are not required to ensure that such a record is maintained and retained for those to whom they administer vaccinations against influenza or COVID-19, provided that such persons must comply with all recordkeeping requirements directed by the Department of Health;

- Subparagraph i of paragraph 2 of subdivision a of section 64.7 of Title 8 of the NYCRR, insofar as it requires a registered professional nurse authorized to administer immunization agents pursuant to a non-patient specific order to be currently certified in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR), to clarify that for the purpose of this Executive Order, registered professional nurses must have a current certificate in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation, which at a minimum must include a certification in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation by an online program that has received accreditation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), or the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education;

- The modification in Executive Order 202.10 of paragraph 1 of section 6542 of the Education Law to the extent necessary to include any associated regulations, including, but not limited to, subdivisions (a) and (b) of section 94.2 of Title 10 of the NYCRR and paragraph 5 of subdivision a of section 29.2 of Title 8 of the NYCRR in order to permit a physician assistant to provide medical services appropriate to their education, training and experience without oversight from a supervising physician, including, but not limited to, administering COVID-19 and influenza vaccine and medically supervising points of dispensing or other types of vaccination sites, as permitted by this Executive Order, without civil or criminal penalty related to a lack of oversight by a supervising physician;

- The modification in Executive Order 202.10 of subdivision (3) of section 6902 of Education Law, and any associated regulations, including, but not limited to, sections 29.2, 29.14, and 64.5 of Title 10 of the NYCRR, to the extent necessary to permit a nurse practitioner to provide medical services appropriate to their education, training and experience, without a written practice agreement, or collaborative relationship with a physician, including, but not limited to, administering
COVID-19 and influenza vaccine and medically supervising points of dispensing or other types of vaccination sites, as permitted by this Executive Order, without civil or criminal penalty related to a lack of written practice agreement, or collaborative relationship, with a physician;

- Section 2168 of the Public Health Law and section 66-1.2 of Title 10 of the NYCRR, to the extent necessary to: (1) suspend the requirement that persons 19 years of age or older must consent to have their immunization information reported to the New York State Immunization Information Registry (NYSIIS) or the City Immunization Registry (CIR), so that for the purposes of this Executive Order, the New York State Commissioner of Health or the New York City Commissioner or Health may include adult immunization information in NYSIIS or the CIR, as applicable, without the consent of the vaccine, and subject to guidance issued by the New York State Department of Health; and (2) require all influenza and COVID-19 vaccinations for any individual (child or adult) to be reported to the NYSIIS or CIR, as applicable, within 24 hours of administration of such vaccine. Nothing in this provision shall be read to permit the vaccination of any person without their consent, or the consent of another person legally authorized to provide such consent on their behalf such as a parent or guardian;

- The temporary modification of Title V of Article 5 of the Public Health Law and parts 19 and 58 of Title 10 of the NYCRR, contained in EO 202.10, as extended, authorizing certain laboratories to perform testing for the detection of SARS-CoV-2 specimens, to the extent necessary to further allow laboratories holding a Clinical Laboratory Improvement Acts (CLIA) certificate in the relevant specialty of testing and meeting the CLIA quality standards described in 42 CFR Subparts H, J, K and M, upon approval from the Department of Health, to perform testing for the detection of influenza virus, respiratory syncytial virus RNA, or other respiratory panels as approved by the Department of Health, in specimens collected from individuals suspected of suffering from a COVID-19 infection, including postmortem specimens;

- The temporary modification of Sections 8602 and 8603 of the Education Law, and section 58-1.5 of Title 10 of the NYCRR, contained in EO 202.16, as extended, insofar as such modification authorized individuals to perform testing for the detection of SARS-CoV-2, or its antibodies, in specimens collected from individuals suspected of suffering from a COVID-19 infection, to the extent necessary to further allow such individuals to perform any medical laboratory test on any specimen, provided such individual is under appropriate supervision and meets the federal requirements for testing personnel appropriate to the assay or device authorized by the FDA or the New York State Department of Health;

- The temporary modification of Section 6801 of the Education Law, contained in EO 202.24, as extended, insofar as such modification authorized licensed pharmacists to order and administer COVID-19 tests, to the extent necessary to further allow licensed pharmacists to order tests for the detection of influenza virus or respiratory syncytial virus RNA, in specimens collected from individuals suspected of suffering from a COVID-19 or influenza infection; and to administer tests for the detection of influenza virus or respiratory syncytial virus RNA, subject to certificate of waiver requirements pursuant to the federal clinical laboratory improvement act of nineteen hundred eighty-eight, in patients suspected of suffering from a COVID-19 or influenza infection, or suspected or having recovered from COVID-19 infection, upon completion of appropriate training developed by the Department of Health;

- The provision of EO 202.1 as extended, that suspended and/or modified parts 709 and 710 of Title 10 of the NYCRR, to the extent necessary to allow construction applications for temporary hospital locations and extensions to be approved by the Commissioner of Health without considering the recommendation of the health systems agency or the Public Health and Health Planning Council, is modified to clarify that such temporary location and extensions may include temporary vaccination sites;

- Section 6808 of the Education Law and any regulations promulgated thereunder, to the extent necessary to permit an authorized vaccine provider within New York State to furnish federal COVID-19 vaccine and ancillary supplies (obtained as a result of enrollment in the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program) to another authorized vaccine provider within New York State who has also enrolled in the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program, for the purposes of administering such vaccination at no cost and subject to applicable storage and handling requirements; the conditions set forth in CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Agreement; and any guidance issued by the New York State Department of Health in consultation with the New York State Education Department;

IN ADDITION, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law to issue any directive during a disaster emergency necessary to cope with the disaster, I hereby issue the following directive for the period from the date of this Executive Order through January 12, 2021:

- Individuals enrolled in the following educational programs may administer vaccinations against influenza and COVID-19 pursuant to a non-patient specific order at Points of Dispensing (POD) sites overseen or approved by the New York State Department of Health or local health departments and operated under the medical supervision of licensed physicians, licensed physician assistants, or certified nurse practitioners, provided such students have completed at least one year of clinical experience (unless otherwise specified in this Executive Order) and first receive training in the following areas, as determined by and in accordance with guidance issued by the Commissioner of Health after consultation with the Commissioner of Education: (1) techniques, indications, precautions, contraindications, infection control practices; (2) use of personal protective equipment sufficient to provide the basic level of competence for such tasks; (3) a current certificate in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation, which at a minimum must include a certification in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation by an online program that has received accreditation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), or the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (4) subject to any other conditions as specified by the Commissioner of Health in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, including but not limited to requiring the applicable educational institutions and programs in which students are enrolled to assess such students' vaccine administration skills and issue an attestation on a form to be approved by the Commissioners of Health and Education that such students have completed all required trainings and displayed competence in vaccine administration:
  o A medical program approved and/or registered the State Education Department pursuant to Article 131 of the Education Law and Part 60 of Title 8 of the NYCRR;
  o A registered professional nursing program or licensed practical nursing program approved and/or registered by the State Education Department pursuant to Article 139 of the Education Law and Part 64 of Title 8 of the NYCRR;
  o A physician assistant program approved and/or registered by the State Education Department pursuant to Article 131-B of the Education Law and Part 60 of Title 8 of the NYCRR;
  o A pharmacy program approved and/or registered by the State Education Department pursuant to Article 137 of the Education Law and Part 63 of Title 8 of the NYCRR. For the purposes of this Executive Order, pharmacy students who have obtained a limited permit, including a certificate
to administer immunizations, pursuant to section 6806 of the Education Law and section 63.4 of Title 8 of the NYCRR shall be deemed to have the minimum necessary clinical experience to administer COVID-19 and influenza vaccinations in a POD setting, provided such students meet all other training requirements and adhere to all applicable guidance set forth above;

- A dentistry program approved and/or registered by the State Education Department pursuant to Article 133 of the Education Law and Part 61 of Title 8 of the NYCRR;

- A podiatric medicine program approved and/or registered by the State Education Department pursuant to Article 141 of the Education Law and Part 65 of Title 8 of the NYCRR;

- A midwifery program approved and/or registered by the State Education Department pursuant to Article 140 of the Education Law and Subpart 79-5 of Title 8 of the NYCRR.

- Any licensed physician, licensed physician assistant, and certified nurse practitioner medically supervising Points of Dispensing (POD) sites or other types of vaccination sites, as permitted by this Executive Order, and overseen or approved by the New York State Department of Health or local health departments must have a current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR);

- Within 60 days of this Order, all clinical laboratories permitted by the Department of Health pursuant to Article 5, Title 5 of the Public Health Law, and having more than 25 employees, must become qualified entity participants and connect to the SHIN-NY through a qualified entity, and must allow private and secure bi-directional access to patient information by other qualified entity participants authorized by law to access such patient information, pursuant to Part 300 of Title 10 of the NYCRR;

GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of Albany this thirteenth day of December in the year two thousand twenty.

BY THE GOVERNOR
/S/ Andrew M. Cuomo
/s/ Melissa DeRosa
Secretary to the Governor