

**Office of the Secretary, Commerce**

**§ 17.22**

**§ 16.12 Consumer education.**

The Secretary, in close cooperation and coordination with interested Government agencies, appropriate trade associations and industry members, consumer organizations, and other interested persons shall carry out a program to educate consumers relative to the significance of the labeling program. Some elements of this program shall also be directed toward informing retailers and other interested groups about the program.

**§ 16.13 Coordination with State and local programs.**

The Secretary will establish and maintain an active program of communication with appropriate State and local government offices and agencies and will furnish and make available information and assistance that will promote uniformity in State and local programs for the labeling of performance characteristics of consumer products.

**§ 16.14 Annual report.**

The Secretary will prepare an annual report of activities under the program, including an evaluation of the program and a list of participants, designated agents, and types of consumer products covered.

**PART 17—LICENSING OF GOVERNMENT-OWNED INVENTIONS IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

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**Subpart A—Licensing of Rights in Domestic Patents and Patent Applications**

**§ 17.1 Licensing rules.**

(a) The Government-wide rules for the licensing of rights in domestic patents and patent applications vested in the United States of America, found at 41 CFR 101-4.1, are applicable to all such licensing activities of the Department of Commerce, subject to the following minor clarifications:

(1) The term "Government agency" as defined at 41 CFR 101-4.102(c) means the United States Department of Commerce or a designated operating unit within the Department.

(2) The term "The head of the Government agency", as defined at 41 CFR 101-4.102(d), means the Secretary of Commerce or a designee.

(b) [Reserved]

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**Subpart B—Licensing of Rights in Foreign Patents and Patent Applications [Reserved]**

**Subpart C—Appeal Procedures for Licensing Department of Commerce Patents**

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**§ 17.21 Purpose.**

This subpart describes the terms, conditions and procedures under which a party may appeal from a decision of the Director of the National Technical Information Service concerning the grant, denial, interpretation, modification or termination of a license of any patent in the custody of the Department of Commerce.

**§ 17.22 Definitions.**

(a) 41 CFR Part 101-4 shall mean the General Services Administration Final Rule concerning "Patents: Licensing of