Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Labor

appropriate compensation or at that time controvert the liability to pay compensation under this Act.

[50 FR 399, Jan. 3, 1985]

§702.232 Payments without an award; when; how paid.

The first installment of compensation shall become due by the fourteenth (14th) day after the employer has been notified, through the designated official or by any other means described in §702.211 *et seq.*, or has actual knowledge of the injury or death. All compensation due on that fourteenth (14th) day shall be paid then and appropriate compensation due thereafter must be paid in semi-monthly installments, unless the district director determines otherwise.

[50 FR 399, Jan. 3, 1985]

§702.233 Penalty for failure to pay without an award.

If any installment of compensation payable without an award is not paid within 14 days after it becomes due, there shall be added to such unpaid installment an amount equal to 10 per centum thereof which shall be paid at the same time as, but in addition to, such installment unless the employer files notice of controversion in accordance with §702.261, or unless such nonpayment is excused by the district director after a showing by the employer that owing to conditions over which he had no control such installment could not be paid within the period prescribed for the payment.

§702.234 Report by employer of commencement and suspension of payments.

Immediately upon making the first payment of compensation, and upon the suspension of payments once begun, the employer shall notify the district director having jurisdiction over the place where the injury or death occurred of the commencement or suspension of payments, as the case may be.

§702.235 Report by employer of final payment of compensation.

(a) Within 16 days after the final payment of compensation has been made,

the employer, the insurance carrier, or where the employer is self-insured, the employer shall notify the district director on a form prescribed by the Secretary, stating that such final payment has been made, the total amount of compensation paid, the name and address of the person(s) to whom payments were made, the date of the injury or death and the name of the injured or deceased employee, and the inclusive dates during which compensation was paid.

(b) A "final payment of compensation" for the purpose of applying the penalty provision of §702.236 shall be deemed any one of the following:

(1) The last payment of compensation made in accordance with a compensation order awarding disability or death benefits, issued by either a district director or an administrative law judge;

(2) The payment of an agreed settlement approved under section 8(i) (A) or (B), of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 908(i);

(3) The last payment made pursuant to an agreement reached by the parties through informal proceedings;

(4) Any other payment of compensation which anticipates no further payments under the Act.

(Approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 1215-0024)

(Pub. L. No. 96-511)

[42 FR 45302, Sept. 9, 1977, as amended at 49
FR 18294, Apr. 30, 1984; 50 FR 399, Jan. 3, 1985]

§702.236 Penalty for failure to report termination of payments.

Any employer failing to notify the district director that the final payment of compensation has been made as required by §702.235 shall be assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$100.00. *Provided, however,* that for any violation occurring on or after November 17, 1997 the civil penalty will be \$110.00. The district director has the authority and responsibility for assessing a civil penalty under this section.

[62 FR 53956, Oct. 17, 1997]