II. Discussion

The NRC is proposing to amend its regulations, in part 61 Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR), “Licensing Requirements for Land Disposal of Radioactive Waste,” to require new and revised site-specific analyses and to permit the development of criteria for waste acceptance based on the results of these analyses. These amendments will ensure that waste streams that are significantly different in terms of radiological characteristics (e.g., half-life) from those considered in the technical basis for the current regulations can be disposed of safely and meet the performance objectives. These amendments will also increase the use of site-specific information to ensure that public health and safety would continue to be protected. These changes would revise the existing site-specific analysis for protection of the general population to include a 10,000-year compliance period (i.e., performance assessment); add a new site-specific analysis for the protection of inadvertent intruders that would include a 10,000-year compliance period and a dose limit (i.e., intruder assessment); add a new long-term analysis for certain long-lived wastes that would include a post-10,000-year performance period; and revise the preclosure analysis to include updates to the performance assessment, intruder assessment, and long-term analyses. The NRC would also be adding a new requirement to develop criteria for the acceptance of waste for disposal based on either the results of these analyses or the existing waste classification requirements. While the existing regulatory requirements are adequate to protect public health and safety, these amendments would enhance the safe disposal of LLRW. The NRC is also proposing additional changes to the regulations for disposal licensees to reduce ambiguity, facilitate implementation, and better align the requirements with current health and safety standards. This rule would affect LLRW disposal facilities that are regulated by the NRC or the Agreement States.

In May, 2011, the NRC published preliminary rule language (76 FR 24831) and the associated regulatory basis document for public comment. Since then, the NRC staff received additional directions from the Commission in a Staff Requirements Memorandum to COMWDM–11–0002/COMGEE–11–0002 (ADAMS accession number ML120190360), the Commission directed staff to expand the limited-scope revision regarding site-specific analyses to bring a clearer, risk-informed approach to Part 61. Based on the Commission’s direction, the NRC staff revised the regulatory basis document associated with this rulemaking and developed a second (November 2012) version of the preliminary rule language.

The NRC is inviting stakeholders to comment on the November 2012 preliminary rule language. The NRC is publishing the November 2012 preliminary rule language and its associated regulatory basis to provide increased awareness to interested stakeholders, inform stakeholders of the current status of the NRC’s activities, and solicit public comments on the November 2012 preliminary rule language. The November 2012 preliminary rule language and its associated regulatory basis document supercede the May 2011 versions.

The NRC will review and consider any comments on the November 2012 preliminary rule language received by January 7, 2013. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to assure consideration only for comments received on or before this date.

The NRC may post updates to the preliminary rule language on the Federal rulemaking Web site under Docket ID NRC–2011–0012. The Regulations.gov Web site allows members of the public to set-up email alerts so that they may be notified when documents are added to a docket. Users are notified via email at an email address provided at the time of registration for the notification. Directions for signing up for the email alerts can be found at http://www.regulations.gov. To do so, navigate to a docket folder you are interested in and then click the “Sign up for Email Alerts” link.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of November, 2012.
commenter provides. Using the search function of the docket Web site, anyone can find and read the electronic form of all comments received into any FAA docket, including the name of the individual sending the comment (or signing the comment for an association, business, labor union, etc.). DOT’s complete Privacy Act Statement can be found in the Federal Register published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19477–19478), as well as at http://DocketsInfo.dot.gov. Docket: Background documents or comments received may be read at http://www.regulations.gov at any time. Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket or go to the Docket Operations in Room W12–140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical questions concerning this proposed policy statement, contact Gene Kirkendall, Part 121 Air Carrier Operations Branch (AFS–220), Flight Standards Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267–8166; email Gene.Kirkendall@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

The FAA invites interested persons to participate by submitting written comments, data, or views on the policy statement. The most helpful comments reference a specific portion of the policy statement, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include supporting data. To ensure the docket does not contain duplicate comments, commenters should send only one copy of written comments, or if comments are filed electronically, commenters should submit only one time.

The FAA will file in the docket all comments it receives, as well as a report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerning this notice. The FAA will consider comments filed after the comment period has closed if it is possible to do so without incurring expense or delay. The proposed policy statement is available for review in the assigned docket at http://www.regulations.gov.

Background

On July 10, 1975, the FAA published a notice in the Federal Register setting forth the FAA’s determination that its authority to promote the safety of civil aircraft operated by air carriers included occupational safety and health for aircraft crewmembers. The FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 currently requires the FAA to initiate development of a policy statement to set forth the circumstances in which the requirements of OSHA may be applied to crewmembers while working in an aircraft. Since this proposed policy statement changes an existing FAA policy that has been in effect for 37 years, and this new policy would change the extent of FAA’s jurisdiction over cabin crewmembers, FAA believes that the aviation industry as well as all interested parties should have the opportunity to comment on the proposed policy statement before it is implemented.

Therefore, this notice is requesting comment on the proposed policy statement which is available for review in the assigned docket.

Issued in Washington, DC, on November 29, 2012.

John M. Allen, Director, Flight Standards Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau

27 CFR Part 25

[Docket No. TTB–2012–0006; Notice No. 131; Re: T.D. TTB–109]

RIN 1513–AB94

Small Brewers Bond Reduction

AGENCY: Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: Elsewhere in this issue of the Federal Register, the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) is publishing a temporary rule that for a period of three years modifies the penal sum for a brewer’s bond where the excise tax liability of the brewer is reasonably expected to be not more than $50,000 in the current calendar year and the brewer was liable for not more than $50,000 in such taxes in the preceding calendar year. Under the temporary rule, for the next three years, the penal sum of the required bond is $1,000 for such brewers who file excise tax returns and remit taxes quarterly. In this document, TTB proposes to adopt the $1,000 penal sum amount for the brewer’s bond for such brewers as a permanent regulatory change. This document also proposes amendments to the regulatory text to require that such brewers file Federal excise tax returns and payments quarterly, as well as submit reports of operations quarterly. Finally, TTB is soliciting comments on how the TTB regulations governing brewers’ operations might be modified to reduce the burden on brewers and, at the same time, meet all statutory requirements and protect the revenue.

DATES: TTB must receive comments on or before February 5, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments on the proposals contained in this document to one of the following addresses:

- U.S. Mail: Director, Regulations and Rulings Division, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, 1310 G Street NW., Box 12, Washington, DC 20005;

See the Public Participation section of this document for specific instructions and requirements for submitting comments, and for information on how to request a public hearing.

You may view copies of this document, the related temporary rule, selected supporting materials, and any comments TTB receives about this proposal within Docket No. TTB–2012–0006 at http://www.regulations.gov. A link to this Regulations.gov docket is posted on the TTB Web site at http://www.ttb.gov/beerbondrulemaking.shtml under Notice No. 131. You also may view copies of this document, the related temporary rule, all supporting materials, and any comments TTB receives about this proposal by appointment at the TTB Information Resource Center, 1310 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20005. Please call 202–453–2270 to make an appointment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ramona Hupp, Regulations and Rulings Division, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, 1310 G Street NW., Box 12, Washington, DC 20005; telephone 202–453–1039, ext. 110 or email BeerRegs@ttb.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

TTB Authority

Chapter 51 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC), pertains to the taxation of distilled spirits, wines, and beer (see title 26 of the United States