

Regulations by adding § 5315.892 to the proposed Part 5315 to read as follows:

PART 5315—CONTRACTING BY NEGOTIATION

1. The authority citation for Part 5315 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 301 and FAR 1.301.

2. Section 5315.8 is proposed to be amended by adding § 5315.892 as follows:

5315.892 Segregation of recurring and non-recurring costs for support equipment.

(a) Contract price history files for support equipment can be distorted by the allocation of non-recurring costs to recurring support equipment costs. Such distortions make comparisons between item unreliable and of limited use. Support equipment includes all equipment required to perform the support functions, except that which is an integral part of the mission equipment. It does not include any of the equipment required to perform mission function. Support equipment should be interpreted as tools, test equipment, Automated Test Equipment (when ATE is a support function), organizational, field, and depot support equipment and related computer programs and software.

(b) Non-recurring costs, defined as production costs which are generally incurred on a one time basis, for support equipment must be displayed separately from recurring costs, defined as costs that vary with the quantity being produced such as labor and material. Each piece of support equipment will be shown as a separately priced item and the displayed price shall represent recurring costs. Non-recurring costs may be displayed as a combined single contract line item or subcontract line item related to each item of support equipment.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Special Programs Administration

49 CFR Parts 171, 172, 173, 176, 177, 178 and 180

[Docket Nos. HM-183, 183A; Notice No. 85-4]

Meetings To Discuss Comments Received on Proposed Revisions to Requirements for Cargo Tanks

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), DOT.

ACTION: Proposed rule; notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: RSPA and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) wish to advise the interested public that a series of meetings will be held to discuss comments received from certain trade associations on a proposed rule pertaining to the manufacture, repair, requalification and operation of DOT specification cargo tanks. The proposed rule was published as Docket Nos. HM-183, 183A; Notice No. 84-4 (50 FR 37766, September 17, 1985; 50 FR 49866, December 5, 1985). The purpose of these meetings is to assist RSPA and FHWA in receiving clarification and additional supporting information on data and alternative proposals submitted by the commenters.

DATES: The dates for these meetings are as follows:

A. March 20, 1987, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

B. March 31, and April 1, 1987, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

C. April 2, 1987, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: All meetings will be held in Room 8236, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Hattie L. Mitchell (202) 366-4488; office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Office of Hazardous Materials Transportation, U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The items anticipated to be discussed in the meeting include but are not limited to the following:

A. Comments From Compressed Gas Association and National LP-Gas Association.

March 20, 1987, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Items to be discussed:

1. Design pressure.
2. Third party inspection and certification.
3. Manhole and internal valves on tanks with capacity of 3,500 gallons or less.
4. Tank structural integrity.
5. Fittings and closures.

B. Comments From Truck Trailer Manufacturers Association.

March 31, and April 1, 1987, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Items to be discussed:

1. Design pressure.
2. Third party inspection and certification.
3. Accident damage protection.
4. Tank structural integrity.
5. Application of the ASME Code to MC 306 and low pressure (below 50 psi) MC 307 cargo tanks.
6. Vents, fittings, closures and relief devices.
7. Wet lines.

C. Comments From National Tank Truck Carriers Association and American Petroleum Institute.

April 2, 1987, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Items to be discussed:

1. Design pressure.
2. Third party inspection and certification.
3. Vents, fittings, closures and relief devices.
4. Retrofit of manhole assemblies.
5. Wet lines.

A recording of the meetings will be made available in the Dockets Branch. The Dockets Branch is located in Room 8426 of the Nassif Building (office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except public holidays).

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