guidelines, and requirements established under SMCRA.

Executive Order 13175—Consultation and Coordination With Indian Tribal Governments

In accordance with Executive Order 13175, we have evaluated the potential effects of this rule on Federallyrecognized Indian tribes and have determined that the rule does not have substantial direct effects on one or more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian tribes. This determination is based on the fact that Oklahoma does not provide for reclamation and restoration of land and water resources adversely affected by past coal mining on Indian lands. Therefore, the Oklahoma plan has no effect on Federally-recognized Indian tribes.

Executive Order 13211—Regulations That Significantly Affect the Supply, Distribution, or Use of Energy

On May 18, 2001, the President issued Executive Order 13211 which requires agencies to prepare a Statement of Energy Effects for a rule that is (1) considered significant under Executive Order 12866, and (2) likely to have a significant adverse effect on the supply, distribution, or use of energy. Because this rule is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866 and is not expected to have a significant adverse effect on the supply, distribution, or use of energy, a Statement of Energy Effects is not required.

National Environmental Policy Act

This rule does not require an environmental impact statement because agency decisions on proposed State and Tribal abandoned mine land reclamation plans and plan amendments are categorically excluded from compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332) by the Manual of the Department of the Interior (516 DM 6, appendix 8, paragraph 8.4B(29)).

Paperwork Reduction Act

This rule does not contain information collection requirements that require approval by OMB under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3507 *et seq.*).

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Department of the Interior certifies that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.). The State submittal, which is the subject of this rule, is based upon counterpart Federal regulations for which an economic analysis was prepared and certification made that such regulations would not have a significant economic effect upon a substantial number of small entities. In making the determination as to whether this rule would have a significant economic impact, the Department relied upon the data and assumptions for the counterpart Federal regulations.

Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act

This rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804(2), the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act. This rule: (a) Does not have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million; (b) will not cause a major increase in costs or prices for consumers, individual industries, Federal, State, or local government agencies, or geographic regions; and (c) does not have significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or the ability of U.S.-based enterprises to compete with foreign-based enterprises. This determination is based upon the fact that the State submittal, which is the subject of this rule, is based upon counterpart Federal regulations for which an analysis was prepared and a determination made that the Federal regulation was not considered a major rule.

Unfunded Mandates

This rule will not impose an unfunded mandate on State, local, or tribal governments or the private sector of \$100 million or more in any given year. This determination is based upon the fact that the State submittal, which is the subject of this rule, is based upon counterpart Federal regulations for which an analysis was prepared and a determination made that the Federal regulation did not impose an unfunded mandate.

List of Subjects in 30 CFR Part 936

Intergovernmental relations, Surface mining, Underground mining.

Dated: November 30, 2004.

Charles E. Sandberg,

Regional Director, Mid-Continent Regional Coordinating Center.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

34 CFR Parts 300 and 303

Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, as Amended by the Individuals With Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004

AGENCY: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments and recommendations on regulatory issues under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), as amended by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Education solicits comments and recommendations from the public prior to developing and publishing proposed regulations under 34 CFR parts 300 and 303 to implement programs under the recently amended IDEA. The Secretary also announces plans to hold informal public meetings to seek further input about those regulations in light of the statutory amendments.

DATES: In order to be assured of consideration as we develop proposed regulations, comments and recommendations should be received on or before February 28, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Address all comments and recommendations to: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center Plaza, room 5126, Washington, DC 20202–2641. If you prefer to send your comments through the Internet, you may address them to us at the U.S. Government Web site: http://www.regulations.gov.

Or you may send your Internet comments to us at the following address: *comments@ed.gov*.

You must include the term "Comments on IDEA-2004" in the subject line of your electronic message. (Note that the term in the preceding sentence means comments submitted in response to changes made to the IDEA by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004.)

Please submit your comments only one time, in order to ensure that we do not receive duplicate copies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Troy R. Justesen. Telephone: (202) 245–7468.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1–800–877–8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative

format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) by contacting the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On December 3, 2004, the President signed into law Pub. L. 108–446, 118 Stat. 2647, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004, amending the IDEA. Copies of the new law may be obtained at the following Web site: http://www.gpoaccess.gov/plaws/index.html.

Enactment of the new law provides an opportunity to consider improvements in the regulations implementing the IDEA in 34 CFR parts 300 and 303 that would strengthen the Federal effort to ensure the provision of early intervention services to infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families and ensure every child with a disability has available a free appropriate public education that: (1) Is of high quality, and (2) is designed to achieve the high standards reflected in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

Invitation To Comment

We invite you to submit comments and recommendations regarding changes to 34 CFR parts 300 and 303 that you believe are needed, particularly to clarify a provision in the new law or to facilitate its implementation. We encourage you to make your comments as specific as possible regarding the nature and scope of regulatory action necessary to achieve the objective you are seeking. Also, if appropriate to your comments, please identify the specific part and section (or subsection) of the amended IDEA that is the subject of your recommendations, and specify how a proposed change to a given provision in the regulations will clarify or help to improve implementation of the new statutory provision.

Please include the following with your comments and recommendations: A description of the area of your involvement in special education, regular education or early intervention, as well as your role, if any, in that area (e.g., parent, teacher, student, service provider, administrator, or researcher).

During and after the comment period, you may inspect all public comments about this notice in room 5126, Potomac Center Plaza, 550 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., eastern time, Monday through Friday of each week except Federal holidays.

Assistance to Individuals With Disabilities in Reviewing the Comments

On request, we will supply an appropriate aid, such as a reader or print magnifier, to an individual with a disability who needs assistance to review the comments and recommendations. If you want to schedule an appointment for this type of aid, please contact the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

Announcement of Public Meetings

The following is a preliminary announcement of our plans to hold a series of informal meetings during the first few months of calendar year 2005, to seek comments and recommendations for developing regulations, as needed, based on the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004. The meetings will be in the following locations:

- Atlanta, GA;
- · Newark, NJ;
- Boston, MA;
- Columbus, OH;
- San Diego, CA;
- Laramie, WY; and
- Washington, DC.

We will notify you through notices published in the **Federal Register** of the specific dates and locations of each of these meetings, as well as other relevant information.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[R03-OAR-2004-VA-0005; FRL-7853-8]

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Approval of the Control of VOC Emissions From Municipal Solid Waste Landfills in Northern Virginia

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA proposes to approve the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the Commonwealth of Virginia to control of emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) from municipal solid waste landfills located in the Northern Virginia portion of the Metropolitan Washington, DC Ozone Nonattainment Area (Northern Virginia). In the Final Rules section of this Federal Register, EPA is approving the State's SIP submittal as a direct final rule without prior proposal because the Agency views this as a noncontroversial submittal and anticipates no adverse comments. A detailed rationale for the approval is set forth in the direct final rule. If no adverse comments are received in response to this action, no further activity is contemplated. If EPA receives adverse comments, the direct final rule will be withdrawn and all public comments received will be addressed in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period. Any parties interested in commenting on this action should do so at this time.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing by January 28, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Regional Material in EDocket (RME) ID Number R03–OAR–2004–VA–0005 by one of the following methods:

A. Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- B. Agency Web site: http:// www.docket.epa.gov/rmepub/ RME, EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, is EPA's preferred method for receiving comments. Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
 - C. E-mail: Morris.Makeba@epa.gov.
- D. Mail: R03–OAR–2004–VÅ–0005, Makeba Morris, Chief, Air Quality Planning Branch, Mailcode 3AP21, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency,