such relabeling is done under Customs supervision and in compliance with Customs requirements, and the effect of such relabeling is not to remove from the label or container any product identification code placed on the label or container by the producer for tracing purposes. As provided in § 5.51, bottled distilled spirits shall not be released from Customs custody for consumption without a certificate of label approval.

PART 7—LABELING AND ADVERTISING OF MALT BEVERAGES

Par. 7. The authority citation for 27 CFR Part 7 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 27 U.S.C. 205.

Par. 8. Section 7.20 is amended by revising paragraph (c), and adding new paragraph (d) and (e) to read as follows:

§7.20 General.

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- (c) Alteration of labels. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to alter, mutilate, destroy, obliterate, or remove any mark, brand, or label upon malt beverages held for sale in interstate or foreign commerce or after shipment therein, including malt beverages held in Customs bonded warehouses or foreign trade zones, except as authorized by Federal law, or as provided in this section.
- (2) Approval procedure. (i) The regional director (compliance) may, upon written application, permit additional labeling or relabeling of malt beverages in containers for purposes of compliance with the requirements of this subpart or of State law. Permission to relabel shall not be given if the effect of the relabeling is to remove from the container or label a product identification code placed on the container or label by the producer for tracing purposes. For purposes of this section, the term "product identification code" includes any numbers, letters, symbols, dates, or other codes placed on the label or container by which the producer may be able to trace a product back to a particular production lot or batch, bottling line, or date of removal.
- (ii) Application for permission to relabel shall be accompanied by two complete sets of the old labels and two complete sets of any proposed new labels, together with a statement of the reasons for relabeling, the quantity and the location of the malt beverages, and the name and address of the person by whom they will be relabeled. In addition, the person desiring to relabel the malt beverages must provide evidence that the proposed new labels are covered by a certificate of label approval, ATF F 5100.31.

- (3) Labels identifying wholesale or retail distributor. There may be added to the bottle, after removal from customs custody, or prior to or after removal from bonded premises, without application for permission to relabel, a label identifying the wholesale or retail distributor thereof or identifying the purchaser or consumer, and containing no references whatever to the characteristics of the product.
- (d) Customs bonded warehouses. Imported malt beverages held in a Customs bonded warehouse may be relabeled without permission from ATF, as long as such relabeling is done under the supervision of Customs officers, in compliance with all applicable Customs requirements, and the effect of the relabeling is not to remove from the container or label any product identification code placed on the container or label by the producer for tracing purposes. As provided in § 7.31, no imported malt beverages in containers shall be released from Customs custody for consumption without a certificate of label approval.
- (e) Foreign trade zones. (1) Domestic malt beverages which have been withdrawn without payment of tax for deposit in a foreign trade zone pending exportation may be relabeled without permission from ATF as long as such relabeling is done under the supervision of Customs officers, in compliance with all applicable Customs requirements, and the effect of the relabeling is not to remove from the container or label any markings required by Part 25 of this chapter or any product identification code placed on the container or label by the producer for tracing purposes.
- (2) Imported malt beverages which have been entered into a foreign trade zone may be relabeled without receiving prior permission from ATF, as long as such relabeling is done under Customs supervision and in compliance with Customs requirements, and the effect of such relabeling is not to remove from the label or container any product identification code placed on the label or container by the producer for tracing purposes. As provided in § 7.31, no imported malt beverages in containers shall be released from Customs custody for consumption without a certificate of label approval.

Par. 9. Section 7.60 is revised to read as follows:

§7.60 Exports.

With the exception of the regulations at $\S 7.20(c)$, (d) and (e), the regulations in this part shall not apply to malt beverages exported in bond.

Dated: September 9, 1994.

John W. Magaw,

Director.

Approved: September 28, 1994.

John P. Simpson,

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Fiscal Service

31 CFR Part 209

RIN 1510-AA30

Payment to Financial Institutions for Credit to Accounts of Employees and Beneficiaries

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document proposes to remove part 209 from title 31. This part governs the regular remittance to financial institutions of Federal payments which are for credit to the accounts of employees and beneficiaries. Regulations implemented July 1, 1994, require that financial institutions receive Government ACH transactions through electronic means. This regulatory change to 31 CFR part 210 made a separate part 209 regarding checks unnecessary. In addition, proposed revisions to 31 CFR part 210, Federal Government Participation in the Automated Clearing House, make substantive changes that supersede the savings allotment provisions of part 209, because savings allotment and recurring benefit payments formerly under the terms of part 209 are made by the ACH method under the terms of part 210.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 3, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to the Cash Management Policy and Planning Division, Financial Management Service, U.S. Department of the Treasury, Room 420, Liberty Center, 401 14th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20227.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This amendment removes part 209 from title 31 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This action renders moot the two recently proposed amendments to part 209. On December 4, 1992, the Financial Management Service