

Alternative Forms of Disposition

23. Should the Rule language be amended to specifically address alternative forms of disposition, including alkaline hydrolysis and natural organic reduction? Why or why not? If so, how should the Rule address these services? Provide all evidence that supports your answer, including any evidence that quantifies the benefits to consumers, and the costs to businesses, including small businesses.

24. Should the Rule be amended to state that providers of alternative forms of disposition, such as alkaline hydrolysis and natural organic reduction, could offer direct or immediate services with a reduced basic services fee? Why or why not? Provide all evidence that supports your answer, including any evidence that quantifies the benefits to consumers, and the costs to businesses, including small businesses.

25. Should the Rule be updated to provide exceptions for the requirements to provide alternative containers and disclosures related to alternative containers for funeral service providers using new methods of disposition or direct disposition that do not require a container? Why or why not? If so, how should the Rule be amended to allow such exceptions? Provide all evidence that supports your answer, including any evidence that quantifies the benefits to consumers, and the costs to businesses, including small businesses.

26. Should additional disclosure language relating to alternative forms of dispositions be added to the Rule? If so, what should the disclosure say? How would the additional disclosure language impact the overall consumer experience or create any benefits or costs to consumers and businesses, including small businesses?

27. Are there provisions of the Rule that are in tension with alternative forms of disposition? If so, what are those provisions, and how are they in tension with alternative forms of disposition? Provide all evidence that supports your answer and explain whether and how the tension between the Rule and alternative forms of disposition creates costs for consumers and businesses, including small businesses.