

to serve as officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in these proceedings.

3. Comments by interested persons in these proceedings are due no later than November 7, 2008.

4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this order in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

Steven W. Williams,
Secretary.

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POSTAL SERVICE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, November 12, 2008, at 12:30 p.m.; and Thursday, November 13, 2008, at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

PLACE: Washington, DC, at U.S. Postal Service Headquarters, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., in the Benjamin Franklin Room.

STATUS: November 12—12:30 p.m.—Closed; November 13—8:30 a.m.—Open; November 13—11 a.m.—Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Wednesday, November 12 at 12:30 p.m. (Closed)

1. Strategic Issues.
2. Financial Matters.
3. Pricing.
4. Personnel Matters and Compensation Issues.

5. Governors' Executive Session—Discussion of prior agenda items and Board Governance.

Thursday, November 13 at 8:30 a.m. (Open)

1. Minutes of the Previous Meetings, September 23–24, and October 20–21, 2008.
2. Remarks of the Chairman of the Board.
3. Remarks of the Postmaster General and CEO.
4. Committee Reports.
5. Quarterly Report on Service Performance.
6. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2008 Audited Financial Statements and Postal Service Annual Report.
7. Tentative Agenda for the December 2–3, 2008, meeting in Washington, DC.

Thursday, November 13 at 11 a.m. (Closed)—If Needed

1. Continuation of Wednesday's closed session agenda.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie S. Moore, Secretary of the Board, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20260–1000. Telephone (202) 268–4800.

Julie S. Moore,

Secretary.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

2009 Railroad Experience Rating Proclamations, Monthly Compensation Base and Other Determinations

AGENCY: Railroad Retirement Board.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 8(c)(2) and section 12(r)(3) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (Act) (45 U.S.C. 358(c)(2) and 45 U.S.C. 362(r)(3), respectively), the Board gives notice of the following:

1. The balance to the credit of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance (RUI) Account, as of June 30, 2008, is \$122,524,603.90;
2. The September 30, 2008, balance of any new loans to the RUI Account, including accrued interest, is zero;
3. The system compensation base is \$3,596,278,039.12 as of June 30, 2008;
4. The cumulative system unallocated charge balance is (\$305,933,872.49) as of June 30, 2008;
5. The pooled credit ratio for calendar year 2009 is zero;
6. The pooled charged ratio for calendar year 2009 is zero;
7. The surcharge rate for calendar year 2009 is 1.5 percent;
8. The monthly compensation base under section 1(i) of the Act is \$1,330 for months in calendar year 2009;
9. The amount described in sections 1(k) and 3 of the Act as “2.5 times the monthly compensation base” is \$3,325 for base year (calendar year) 2009;
10. The amount described in section 4(a-2)(i)(A) of the Act as “2.5 times the monthly compensation base” is \$3,325 with respect to disqualifications ending in calendar year 2009;
11. The amount described in section 2(c) of the Act as “an amount that bears the same ratio to \$775 as the monthly compensation base for that year as computed under section 1(i) of this Act bears to \$600” is \$1,718 for months in calendar year 2009;
12. The maximum daily benefit rate under section 2(a)(3) of the Act is \$64 with respect to days of unemployment and days of sickness in registration periods beginning after June 30, 2009.

DATES: The balance in notice (1) and the determinations made in notices (3) through (7) are based on data as of June 30, 2008. The balance in notice (2) is based on data as of September 30, 2008. The determinations made in notices (5) through (7) apply to the calculation, under section 8(a)(1)(C) of the Act, of employer contribution rates for 2009. The determinations made in notices (8) through (12) are effective January 1, 2009. The determination made in notice (13) is effective for registration periods beginning after June 30, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Secretary to the Board, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marla L. Huddleston, Bureau of the Actuary, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092, telephone (312) 751-4779.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The RRB is required by section 8(c)(1) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (Act) (45 U.S.C. 358(c)(1)) as amended by Public Law 100-647, to proclaim by October 15 of each year certain system-wide factors used in calculating experience-based employer contribution rates for the following year. The RRB is further required by section 8(c)(2) of the Act (45 U.S.C. 358(c)(2)) to publish the amounts so determined and proclaimed. The RRB is required by section 12(r)(3) of the Act (45 U.S.C. 362(r)(3)) to publish by December 11, 2008, the computation of the calendar year 2009 monthly compensation base (section 1(i) of the Act) and amounts described in sections 1(k), 2(c), 3 and 4(a-2)(i)(A) of the Act which are related to changes in the monthly compensation base. Also, the RRB is required to publish, by June 11, 2009, the maximum daily benefit rate under section 2(a)(3) of the Act for days of unemployment and days of sickness in registration periods beginning after June 30, 2009.

Surcharge Rate

A surcharge is added in the calculation of each employer's contribution rate, subject to the applicable maximum rate, for a calendar year whenever the balance to the credit of the RUI Account on the preceding June 30 is less than the greater of \$100 million or the amount that bears the same ratio to \$100 million as the system compensation base for that June 30 bears to the system compensation base as of June 30, 1991. If the RUI Account balance is less than \$100 million (as indexed), but at least \$50 million (as indexed), the surcharge will be 1.5 percent. If the RUI Account balance is less than \$50 million (as indexed), but