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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

5 CFR Part 532

RIN 3206-AL81

Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the Lake Charles-Alexandria and New Orleans, LA, Appropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Areas

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Office of Personnel Management is issuing a final rule to redefine the geographic boundaries of the Lake Charles-Alexandria and New Orleans, LA, appropriated fund Federal Wage System (FWS) wage areas. The final rule redefines Iberia and St. Martin Parishes, LA, from the New Orleans wage area to the Lake Charles-Alexandria wage area. These changes are based on consensus recommendations of the Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee (FPRAC) to best match the counties proposed for redefinition to a nearby FWS survey area. FPRAC recommended no other changes in the geographic definitions of the Lake Charles-Alexandria and New Orleans wage areas.

DATES: This regulation is effective on September 21, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Madeline Gonzalez, (202) 606-2838; e-mail pay-performance-policy@opm.gov; or FAX: (202) 606-4264.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 9, 2009, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) issued a proposed rule (74 FR 9967) to redefine Iberia and St. Martin Parishes, LA, from the New Orleans, LA, wage area to the Lake Charles-Alexandria, LA, wage area. These changes are based on consensus recommendations of the Federal

Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee. The proposed rule had a 30-day comment period, during which OPM received no comments.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

I certify that these regulations will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities because they will affect only Federal agencies and employees.

List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 532

Administrative practice and procedure, Freedom of Information, Government employees, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Wages.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

John Berry,
Director.

■ Accordingly, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management amends 5 CFR part 532 as follows:

PART 532—PREVAILING RATE SYSTEMS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 532 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 5343, 5346; § 532.707 also issued under 5 U.S.C. 552.

■ 2. In appendix C to subpart B, the wage area listing for the State of Louisiana is amended by revising the listings for Lake Charles-Alexandria and New Orleans, to read as follows:

Appendix C to Subpart B of Part 532—Appropriated Fund Wage and Survey Areas

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LOUISIANA

Lake Charles-Alexandria

Survey Area

Louisiana: Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Grant, Rapides, Sabine, Vernon

Area of Application. Survey Area Plus

Louisiana: Acadia, Avoyelles, Caldwell, Cameron, Catahoula, Concordia, Evangeline, Franklin, Iberia, Jefferson Davis, Lafayette, La Salle, Madison, Natchitoches, St. Landry, St. Martin, Tensas, Vermilion, Winn

New Orleans

Survey Area

Louisiana: Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany

Area of Application. Survey Area Plus

Louisiana: Ascension, Assumption, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Lafourche, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Helena, St. James, St. Mary, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Washington, West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

5 CFR Part 532

RIN 3206-AL82

Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the Boise, ID, and Utah Appropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Areas

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Office of Personnel Management is issuing a final rule to redefine the geographic boundaries of the Boise, ID, and Utah appropriated fund Federal Wage System (FWS) wage areas. The final rule redefines Franklin County, ID, from the Boise wage area to the Utah wage area. These changes are based on consensus recommendations of the Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee (FPRAC) to best match the counties proposed for redefinition to a nearby FWS survey area. FPRAC recommended no other changes in the geographic definitions of the Boise and Utah FWS wage areas.

DATES: This regulation is effective on September 21, 2009.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 9, 2009, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) issued a proposed rule (74 FR 9968) to redefine Franklin County, ID, from the Boise, ID, wage area to the Utah wage area. These changes are based on consensus recommendations of the Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee. The proposed rule had a 30-day comment period, during which OPM received no comments.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

I certify that these regulations will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities because they will affect only Federal agencies and employees.

List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 532

Administrative practice and procedure, Freedom of Information, Government employees, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Wages.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

John Berry, Director

Accordingly, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management amends 5 CFR part 532 as follows:

PART 532—PREVAILING RATE SYSTEMS

1. The authority citation for part 532 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 5343, 5346; § 532.707 also issued under 5 U.S.C. 552.

2. Appendix C to subpart B is amended by revising the wage area listings for the Boise, ID, and Utah wage areas to read as follows:

Appendix C to Subpart B of Part 532—Appropriated Fund Wage and Survey Areas

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IDAHO Boise

Survey Area

- Idaho: Ada, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem

Area of Application. Survey Area Plus:

- Idaho: Adams, Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Blaine, Bonneville, Butte, Camas, Caribou, Cassia, Clark, Custer, Fremont, Gooding, Jefferson, Jerome, Lemhi, Lincoln, Madison, Minidoka, Oneida, Owyhee, Payette

- Power, Teton, Twin Falls, Valley, Washington

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UTAH

Survey Area

- Utah: Box Elder, Davis, Salt Lake, Tooele, Utah, Weber Area of Application. Survey Area Plus

- Utah: Beaver, Cache, Carbon, Daggett, Duchesne, Emery, Garfield, Grand, Iron, Juab, Millard, Morgan, Piute, Rich, San Juan (Only includes the Canyonlands National Park portion.), Sanpete, Sevier, Summit, Uintah, Wasatch, Washington, Wayne Colorado: Mesa, Moffat Idaho: Franklin

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

7 CFR Part 1415

RIN 0578-AA53

Grassland Reserve Program; Amendment

AGENCY: Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), United States Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Interim final rule; amendment with reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), through the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC), published in the Federal Register of January 21, 2009, an interim final rule

with request for comment amending the program regulations for the Grassland Reserve Program (GRP) to incorporate programmatic changes authorized by the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (2008 Act) using Regulation Identification Number (RIN) 0578-AA38. This amendment to the January 21, 2009, interim final rule corrects the RIN to read 0578-AA53, clarifies the nature of the contingent right of enforcement, expands its discussion regarding GRP policy for wind and solar power facilities, and requests comment on how GRP can be used to contribute to the Nation's efforts on energy, climate change, and carbon sequestration. Additionally, USDA seeks public input on the January 21, 2009, interim final rule, as amended. Therefore, USDA reopens the public comment period upon publication of this amendment until September 21, 2009.

DATES: Effective Date: The rule is effective August 21, 2009. Comment date: Submit comments on or before September 21, 2009. In addition, the comment period for the GRP interim final rule published on January 21, 2009 (74 FR 2317), is reopened. Comments must be received on or before September 21, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments (identified by Docket Number NRCS-IFR-09005) using any of the following methods:

- Government-wide rulemaking Web site: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and follow the instructions for sending comments electronically. Mail: John Glover, Acting Director, Easements Programs Division, Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Grasslands Reserve Program Comments, PO Box 2890, Washington, DC 20013.

- E-mail: grp2008@wdc.usda.gov. Fax: (202) 720-9689. Hand Delivery: USDA South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 6819, Washington, DC 20250, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. Please ask the guard at the entrance to the South Building to call (202) 720-4527 in order to be escorted into the building.

- This interim final rule may be accessed via Internet. Users can access the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) homepage at: http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/; select the Farm Bill link from the menu; select the Interim Final Rules link from beneath the Final and Interim Final Rules Index title. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication (Braille, large print,