

with cementitious grout, polyurethane grout, silica gel, flexible gel, or another material approved by the District Manager; (2) a packer will be installed at a location in the borehole to ensure that an appropriate amount of the borehole is filled with the plugging material, and any water present in the borehole will be tested for chlorides prior to plugging; (3) a pump will be used to pump 1.75 times the calculated borehole volume of the plugging material into the borehole. The calculated volume of the plugging material will be pumped until the volume of the plugging material is depleted, 100–140 psi pressure is realized, or until leakage is observed underground. The plugging material will be pumped through a packer equipped with a one-way check valve. The one-way check valve will prevent the plugging material from flowing back; (4) the volume of fill material required will be calculated and 1.75 times that amount will be pumped unless the 100–140 psi pressure is reached; and (5) a directional deviation survey completed during the drilling of the borehole will be used to determine the location of the borehole within the coal seam. The petitioner states that water infusion and ventilation of vertical CBM wells with horizontal laterals may be used in lieu of plugging where suitable plugging procedures have not yet been developed or are impractical. The petitioner also proposes to mine through a CBM degasification well with horizontal laterals. The District Manager or designee will be notified prior to mining within 300 feet of the well and when a specific plan is developed for mining through each well. Persons may review a complete description of the petitioner's alternative method and procedures at the MSHA address listed in this notice. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method will at all times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection to all miners at the Bailey Mine as would be provided by the existing standard.

*Docket Number:* M–2009–041–C.

*Petitioner:* ICG Illinois, LLC, 8100 East Main Street, Williamsville, Illinois 62693.

*Mine:* Viper Mine, MSHA I.D. No. 11–02664, located in Sangamon County, Illinois.

*Regulation Affected:* 30 CFR 75.1101–1(b) (Deluge-type water spray systems).

*Modification Request:* The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to permit weekly examinations and functional testing of the deluge system to be conducted in lieu of providing blow-off dust covers. The petitioner states that: (1) Conducting the

weekly examination and functional test of the deluge system will provide an improvement in safety and ensure that the nozzles do not become clogged; and (2) replacing the dust caps after such test can create an unnecessary hazard by exposing miners to the risk of a slip and fall type accident. The petitioner proposes to use the following procedures when implementing the proposed alternative method: (1) Have a person trained in the testing procedures specific to the deluge-type water spray system used at each belt drive once every 7 days will (a) conduct a visual examination of each of the deluge-type water spray fire suppression systems; (b) conduct a functional test of the deluge-type water spray fire-suppression systems by actuating the system and observing its performance; and (c) record the results of the examination and functional test in a book maintained on the surface and made available to the authorized representative of the Secretary and retained at the mine for one year; (2) any malfunction or clogged nozzle detected as a result of the weekly examination or functional test will be corrected immediately; (3) the procedures used to perform the functional test will be posted at or near each belt drive which utilizes a deluge-type water spray fire suppression system. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method will result in no less protection for personnel than that afforded by the existing standard.

Dated: November 27, 2009.

**Patricia W. Silvey,**

*Director, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### U.S. Chief Financial Officer Council; Grants Policy Committee

**ACTION:** Notice of open stakeholder Webcast meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces an open stakeholder Webcast meeting sponsored by the Grants Policy Committee (GPC) of the U.S. Chief Financial Officers (CFO) Council.

**DATES:** The GPC will hold a Webcast meeting on Thursday, December 10, 2009 from 2–3:30 p.m., Eastern Time. The Webcast will be broadcast live. Relevant meeting materials will be posted on <http://www.GPC.gov> in advance of the meeting.

**ADDRESSES:** The GPC December 10th Webcast meeting will be broadcast from

and held in Room B–180 of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410. Seating is limited—the first 35 people to respond, and receive confirmation of the response, can be part of the live audience. Both Federal and non-Federal employees must R.S.V.P. to reserve a seat by contacting Charisse Carney-Nunes at [GPCWebcast@nsf.gov](mailto:GPCWebcast@nsf.gov). All who have reserved seating must arrive in the HUD studio fifteen minutes prior to broadcast (arrive on the north side of the building). You must have a government-issued photo ID to gain access and will have to go through security screening. The GPC encourages non-federal organizations' staffs and members to attend the meeting in person or via Webcast.

**Overview:** The purpose of this Webcast is to provide a forum for the grants community to ask questions to the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board (RATB) about Recovery Act grants reporting requirements. The RATB will provide a general overview of Recovery Act reporting, lessons learned, and what grantees need to know to report accurately. The U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) will share information on their recent report on Recovery Act recipient reporting, dated 11/19/09. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) will discuss the Single Audit Pilot for Recovery Act Funds. Webcast presenters will be available for a question & answer period after each presentation and for a final question and answer period after all presentations.

**Further Information About the GPC Webcast:** Questions on the Webcast should be directed to Charisse Carney-Nunes, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230; e-mail, [GPCWebcast@nsf.gov](mailto:GPCWebcast@nsf.gov). Information and materials that pertain to this Webcast meeting, including the call-in telephone number and the agenda will be posted on the Grants Policy Committee's Website at <http://www.GPC.gov> on the "Webcasts and Outreach" page. The link to view the Webcast will be posted on this site, along with Webcast instructions. After the meeting, a link to its recording will be posted on <http://www.GPC.gov> for at least 90 days.

**Comment Submission Information:** You may submit Webcast topic-related questions in advance of the webcast to [GPCWebcast@nsf.gov](mailto:GPCWebcast@nsf.gov). You may also submit comments during the Webcast meeting via telephone or e-mail. The call-in telephone number, which may be used only *during* the live Webcast, is

202-708-0995. The e-mail address for comments, which should be used only during the Webcast is [HUDTV@HUD.GOV](mailto:HUDTV@HUD.GOV). After the Webcast, you may submit comments via email through the close of business on Wednesday, December 23, 2009. The e-mail address for comments before and after the Webcast is [GPCWebcast@nsf.gov](mailto:GPCWebcast@nsf.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This Webcast meeting has been made possible by the cooperation of the National Science Foundation, HUD, and the GPC.

**Webcast Materials:** Webcast materials including the agenda, Webcast meeting slides, and the feedback form are posted at <http://www.GPC.gov> on the Webcasts and Outreach page. An archived version of this Webcast will be available in Windows Media format on the Webcasts and Outreach page of <http://www.GPC.gov> soon after this Webcast is broadcasted. Archived versions of the 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2009 GPC Stakeholder Webcasts are available for viewing at: <http://www.hud.gov/webcasts/archives/grantspolicy.cfm>.

**Purpose of the Webcast meeting:** The purpose of this Webcast is to provide a forum for the grants community to ask questions to the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board (RATB) about Recovery Act grants reporting requirements.

**Meeting structure and agenda:** The December 10th Webcast meeting will have the following structure and agenda:

- (1) Introduction;
- (2) American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Reporting Overview, Lessons Learned, and Question and Answer (Q & A);
- (3) Government Accountability Office Findings on ARRA Recipient Reporting and Q & A;
- (4) Single Audit Pilot on ARRA Funds and Q & A;
- (5) Quick GPC Update;
- (6) Final Q & A; and
- (7) Close.

**Background:** The GPC is a committee of the U.S. Chief Financial Officers (CFO) Council. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) sponsors the GPC; its membership consists of grants policy subject matter experts from across the Federal Government. The GPC is charged with improving the management of federal financial assistance government-wide. To carry out that role, the committee recommends financial assistance policies and practices to OMB and coordinates related interagency activities. The GPC serves the public

interest in collaboration with other Federal Government-wide grants initiatives.

Dated: November 30, 2009.

**Thomas N. Cooley,**

*Director, Office of Budget, Finance and Award Management of the National Science Foundation and Chair of the Grants Policy Committee of the U.S. CFO Council.*

**Suzanne H. Plimpton,**

*Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.*

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

**Federal Register Citation of Previous Announcement:** 74 FR 61380 (November 24, 2009).

**Previously Announced Time and Date of Meeting:** 11 a.m., Wednesday, December 2, 2009.

**CHANGES IN THE MEETING:** The agenda has been expanded to include discussion, in open session, of whether to provide audio streaming of the public portion of monthly Commission meetings.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, 202-789-6824 or [stephen.sharfman@prc.gov](mailto:stephen.sharfman@prc.gov).

**Judith M. Grady,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## POSTAL SERVICE

### Change in Rates and Classes of General Applicability for Competitive Products

**AGENCY:** Postal Service.

**ACTION:** Notice of a change in rates of general applicability for competitive products.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth changes in rates of general applicability for competitive products.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* January 4, 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Daniel J. Foucheaux, Jr., 202-268-2989.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On September 22, 2009, pursuant to their authority under 39 U.S.C. 3632, the Governors of the Postal Service established prices and classification changes for competitive products. The Governors' Decision and the record of proceedings in connection with such

decision are reprinted below in accordance with § 3632(b)(2). Implementing regulations were published in the **Federal Register** on November 10, 2009 (74 FR 57899).

**Stanley F. Mires,**

*Chief Counsel, Legislative.*

Governors' Decision No. 09-13

### Decision of the Governors of the United States Postal Service on Changes in Rates and Classes of General Applicability for Competitive Products (Governors' Decision No. 09-13)

September 22, 2009

#### Statement of Explanation and Justification

Pursuant to our authority under section 3632 of title 39, as amended by the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act of 2006 ("PAEA"), we establish new prices of general applicability for the Postal Service's shipping services (competitive products), and such changes in classifications as are necessary to define the new prices. The changes are described generally below, with a detailed description of the changes in the attachment. The attachment includes the draft Mail Classification Schedule sections with changes in classification language in legislative format, and new prices displayed in the price charts.

As shown in the nonpublic annex being filed under seal herewith, the changes we establish should enable each competitive product to cover its attributable costs (39 U.S.C. 3633(a)(2)) and should result in competitive products as a whole complying with 39 U.S.C. 3633(a)(3), which, as implemented by 39 CFR 3015.7(c), requires competitive products to contribute a minimum of 5.5 percent to the Postal Service's institutional costs. Accordingly, no issue of subsidization of competitive products by market dominant products should arise (39 U.S.C. 3633(a)(1)). We therefore find that the new prices and classification changes are in accordance with 39 U.S.C. 3632-3633 and 39 CFR 3015.2.

#### I. Domestic Products

##### A. Express Mail

Overall, the Express Mail price change represents a 4.5 percent increase. The existing structure of zoned Retail, Commercial Base and Commercial Plus price categories is maintained.

Retail prices will increase an average of 4.5 percent. The price for the Retail flat-rate envelope, almost half of all