

TIME AND DATE: 11:15 a.m., Thursday, February 18, 2010.

PLACE: Board Room, 7th Floor, Room 7047, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3428.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Consideration of Supervisory Activities. Closed pursuant to Exemptions (8), (9)(A)(ii) and 9(B).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Rupp, Secretary of the Board, Telephone: 703-518-6304.

Mary Rupp,

Board Secretary.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee #13883; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee (#13883).

Date and Time: March 4, 2010, 12 p.m.-2 p.m. EST.

Place: Teleconference. National Science Foundation, Room 320, Stafford I Building, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Dr. Craig B. Foltz, Acting Division Director, Division of Astronomical Sciences, Suite 1045, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: 703-292-4908.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations to the National Science Foundation (NSF), the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) on issues within the field of astronomy and astrophysics that are of mutual interest and concern to the agencies.

Agenda: To discuss the Committee's draft annual report due 15 March 2009.

Susanne E. Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

Submission of Information Collection for OMB Review; Comment Request; Administrative Appeals

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of request for extension of OMB approval.

SUMMARY: The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) is requesting that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) extend approval, under the Paperwork Reduction Act, of a collection of information under Part 4003 of its regulations relating to Administrative Appeals (OMB control number 1212-0061, expires February 28, 2010). This notice informs the public of PBGC's request and solicits public comment on the collection of information.

DATES: Comments should be submitted by March 22, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, via electronic mail at OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov or by fax to 202-395-6974. A copy of PBGC's request may be obtained without charge by writing to the Disclosure Division of the Office of the General Counsel of PBGC at the above address or by visiting that office or calling 202-326-4040 during normal business hours. (TTY and TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4040.) The request is also available at <http://www.reginfo.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Donald F. McCabe, Attorney, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005-4026, 202-326-4024. (TTY and TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4024.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: PBGC's regulation on Rules for Administrative Review of Agency Decisions (29 CFR part 4003) prescribes rules governing the issuance of initial determinations by PBGC and the procedures for requesting and obtaining administrative review of initial determinations. Certain types of initial determinations are subject to administrative appeals, which are covered in subpart D of the regulation. Subpart D prescribes rules on who may file appeals, when and where to file appeals, contents of appeals, and other matters relating to appeals.

Most appeals filed with PBGC are filed by individuals (participants, beneficiaries, and alternate payees) in connection with benefit entitlement or amounts. A small number of appeals are filed by employers in connection with other matters, such as plan coverage under ERISA section 4021 or employer liability under ERISA sections

4062(b)(1), 4063, or 4064. Appeals may be filed by hand, mail, commercial delivery service, fax or e-mail. For appeals of benefit determinations, PBGC has optional forms for filing appeals and requests for extensions of time to appeal.

OMB has approved the administrative appeals collection of information under control number 1212-0061 through February 28, 2010. PBGC is requesting that OMB extend its approval of this collection of information for three years. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

PBGC estimates that an average of 900 appellants per year will respond to this collection of information. PBGC further estimates that the average annual burden of this collection of information is 0.71 hours and \$52 per appellant, with an average total annual burden of 643 hours and \$46,680.

Issued in Washington, DC, this 12th day of February 2010.

Catherine B. Klion,

Manager, Regulatory and Policy Division, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

National Council on Federal Labor-Management Relations Meeting

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Council on Federal Labor-Management Relations will hold its initial meeting on February 26, 2010, at the time and location shown below. The Council is an advisory body composed of representatives of Federal employee organizations, Federal management organizations and senior government officials. The Council was established by Executive Order 13522, entitled, "Creating Labor-Management Forums to Improve Delivery of Government Services," which was signed by the President on November 9, 2009. Along with its other responsibilities, the Council will assist in the implementation of Labor Management Forums throughout the government and will make recommendations to the President on innovative ways to improve delivery of services and products to the public while cutting costs and advancing

employee interests. The Council is co-chaired by the Director of the Office of Personnel Management and the Deputy Director for Management of the Office of Management and Budget.

Please note that we are providing a slightly shortened notice period for this meeting, as permitted under 41 CFR 102-3.150 in "exceptional circumstances." The record snowfall and resulting closure of Federal Government agencies in the National Capital Area in the previous 4½ days forced a postponement of the originally planned notice date. Deadlines imposed by the executive order are pending-agencies are required to submit draft implementation plans to OPM by March 9, and OPM believes that a timely first meeting is necessary to hear comments from the agencies and the public about the process to create Labor-Management Forums in each agency throughout the Federal Government. A further postponement of the meeting may hinder agencies' compliance with the March 9 deadline. Therefore, we believe that these conditions constitute "exceptional circumstances" within the meaning of the regulation, and that the shortened notice period is permitted.

At the February 26 meeting, the Council will discuss the functions and operating procedures of the Council and training opportunities for managers and employees' representatives. The meeting is open to the public. Please contact the Office of Personnel Management at the address shown below if you wish to present material to the Council at the meeting. The manner and time prescribed for presentations may be limited, depending upon the number of parties that express interest in presenting information.

DATES: February 26, 2010, at 10 a.m.

Location: U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Theodore Roosevelt Building, 1900 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Wachter, Acting Deputy Associate Director for Partnership and Labor Relations, Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street NW., Room 7H28-E, Washington, DC 20415. Phone (202) 606-2930; FAX (202) 606-2613; or e-mail at PLR@opm.gov.

For the National Council.

John Berry,
Director.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. CP2010-23; Order No. 405]

New Postal Product

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recently-filed Postal Service request to add a Global Expedited Package Services 2 contract to the Competitive Product List. This notice addresses procedural steps associated with this filing.

DATES: Comments are due: February 19, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>. Commenters who cannot submit their views electronically should contact the person identified in "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" by telephone for advice on alternatives to electronic filing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, 202-789-6820 or stephen.sharfman@prc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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I. Introduction

On February 9, 2010, the Postal Service filed a notice announcing that it has entered into an additional Global Expedited Package Services 2 (GEPS 2) contract.¹ The Postal Service believes the instant contract is functionally equivalent to previously submitted GEPS 2 contracts, and is supported by Governors' Decision No. 08-7, attached to the Notice and originally filed in Docket No. CP2008-4. *Id.* at 1, Attachment 2. The Notice also explains that Order No. 86, which established GEPS 1 as a product, also authorized functionally equivalent agreements to be included within the product, provided that they meet the requirements of 39 U.S.C. 3633. *Id.* at 1. In Order No. 290, the Commission approved the GEPS 2 product.²

The instant contract. The Postal Service filed the instant contract

¹ Notice of United States Postal Service Filing of Functionally Equivalent Global Expedited Package Services 2 Negotiated Service Agreement and Application for Non-Public Treatment of Materials Filed Under Seal, February 9, 2010 (Notice).

² Docket No. CP2009-50, Order Granting Clarification and Adding Global Expedited Package Services 2 to the Competitive Product List, August 28, 2009 (Order No. 290).

pursuant to 39 CFR 3015.5. In addition, the Postal Service contends that the contract is in accordance with Order No. 86. The Postal Service submitted the contract and supporting material under seal along with an application for non-public treatment as Attachment 1, and attached a certified statement required by 39 CFR 3015.5(c)(2) and a redacted copy of the contract to the Notice as Attachments 2 and 3, respectively. *Id.* at 1-2. The term of the contract is 1 year from the date the Postal Service notifies the customer that all necessary regulatory approvals have been received.

The Notice advances reasons why the instant GEPS 2 contract fits within the Mail Classification Schedule language for GEPS 2. The Postal Service contends that the instant contract is functionally equivalent to the GEPS 2 contracts filed previously, despite minor differences in both the general language and for customer-specific information, all of which are highlighted in the Notice. *Id.* at 3-8.

The Postal Service contends that several factors demonstrate the contract's functional equivalence with previous GEPS 2 contracts, including the general terms of the contract, the market to which it is being offered, and its cost characteristics. *Id.* at 3. The Postal Service concludes that because the "GEPS agreements incorporate the same cost attributes and methodology, the relevant cost and market characteristics are similar, if not the same..." despite any incidental differences. *Id.* at 8.

The Postal Service contends that its filings demonstrate that this new GEPS 2 contract is established in compliance with the requirements of 39 U.S.C. 3633, is functionally equivalent to previous GEPS 2 contracts, and requests that this contract be included within the GEPS 2 product. *Id.*

II. Notice of Filing

The Commission establishes Docket No. CP2010-23 for consideration of matters related to the contract identified in the Postal Service's Notice.

Interested persons may submit comments on whether the Postal Service's contract is consistent with the policies of 39 U.S.C. 3632, 3622 or 3642. Comments are due no later than February 19, 2010. The public portions of these filings can be accessed via the Commission's Web site (<http://www.prc.gov>).

The Commission appoints Paul Harrington to serve as Public Representative in the captioned filings.