

revisions to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Common Performance Reporting information collection. The WIOA requires states to report on performance in core programs such as the Wagner-Peyser Act programs, the Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth programs, Adult Education and Family Literacy Act programs, and the Vocational Rehabilitation Act programs. This collection contains the data to be collected for the measure states are to use to report on performance. This information collection has been classified as a revision, because of changes to the WIOA Eligible Training Provider Performance Report (EPT) (Definitions-Only) (Form ETA-9171), WIOA Annual Statewide Performance Report (Form ETA-9169), and WIOA Joint PIRL (Form ETA-9170). Additionally, in this ICR, data elements related to training program information to the ETP Performance Report have been added. This additional information is necessary to facilitate the provision of more useful information to assist participants in choosing employment and training activities, and in choosing ETPs. Other changes include clarifying specifications and data elements as well as aligning the forms with published guidance and policy. WIOA section 116 authorizes this information collection. See 29 U.S.C. 3141.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control Number 1205-0526. The current approval is scheduled to expire on August 31, 2019; however, the DOL notes that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. New requirements would only take effect upon OMB approval. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on January 19, 2017 (82 FR 6651).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at

the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1205-0526. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: DOL-ETA.

Title of Collection: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Common Performance Reporting.

OMB Control Number: 1205-0526.

Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments and Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 19,113,711.

Total Estimated Number of Responses: 38,216,056.

Total Estimated Annual Time Burden: 9,863,065 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$30,957,760.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

Dated: January 3, 2018.

Michel Smyth,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit issued.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nature McGinn, ACA Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314; 703-292-8030; email: ACApermits@nsf.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 4, 2017, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the **Federal Register** of a permit application received. The permit was issued on January 3, 2018 to:

Permit No. 2018-028

1. Alexander Simms

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Polar Coordination Specialist, Office of Polar Programs.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. ACR2017; Order No. 4334]

Postal Service Performance Report and Performance Plan

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On December 29, 2017, the Postal Service filed the FY 2017 Performance Report and FY 2018 Performance Plan with its FY 2017 Annual Compliance Report. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

DATES:

Comments are due: February 8, 2018.
Reply Comments are due: February 22, 2018.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David A. Trissell, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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I. Introduction

Each year the Postal Service must submit to the Commission its most recent annual performance plan and annual performance report. 39 U.S.C.

3652(g). On December 29, 2017, the Postal Service filed its FY 2017 Annual Report to Congress in Docket No. ACR2017.¹ The FY 2017 Annual Report includes the Postal Service's FY 2018 annual performance plan (FY 2018 Plan) and FY 2017 annual performance report (FY 2017 Report). FY 2017 Annual Report at 13–28.

The FY 2018 Plan reviews the Postal Service's plans for FY 2018. The FY 2017 Report discusses the Postal Service's progress during FY 2017 toward its four performance goals:

- High-Quality Service
- Excellent Customer Experiences
- Safe Workplace and Engaged Workforce
- Financial Health

Each year, the Commission must evaluate whether the Postal Service met the performance goals established in the annual performance plan and annual performance report. 39 U.S.C. 3653(d). The Commission may also “provide recommendations to the Postal Service related to the protection or promotion of public policy objectives set out in” title 39. *Id.*

Since Docket No. ACR2013, the Commission has evaluated whether the Postal Service met its performance goals in reports separate from the Annual Compliance Determination.² The Commission continues this current practice to provide a more in-depth analysis of the Postal Service's progress toward meetings its performance goals and plans to improve performance in future years. To facilitate this review, the Commission invites public comment on the following issues:

- Did the Postal Service meet its performance goals in FY 2017?
- Do the FY 2017 Report and the FY 2018 Plan meet applicable statutory requirements, including 39 U.S.C. 2803 and 2804?
- What recommendations should the Commission provide to the Postal Service that relate to protecting or promoting public policy objectives in title 39?

¹ United States Postal Service FY 2017 Annual Report to Congress, Library Reference USPS–FY17–17, December 29, 2017 (FY 2017 Annual Report).

² See Docket No. ACR2013, Postal Regulatory Commission, Review of Postal Service FY 2013 Performance Report and FY 2014 Performance Plan, July 7, 2014; Docket No. ACR2014, Postal Regulatory Commission, Analysis of the Postal Service's FY 2014 Program Performance Report and FY 2015 Performance Plan, July 7, 2015; Docket No. ACR2015, Postal Regulatory Commission, Analysis of the Postal Service's FY 2015 Annual Performance Report and FY 2016 Performance Plan, May 4, 2016; Docket No. ACR2016, Postal Regulatory Commission, Analysis of the Postal Service's FY 2016 Annual Performance Report and FY 2017 Performance Plan, April 27, 2017.

- What recommendations or observations should the Commission make concerning the Postal Service's strategic initiatives?³

- What other matters are relevant to the Commission's analysis of the FY 2017 Report and the FY 2018 Plan under 39 U.S.C. 3653(d)?

II. Request for Comments

Comments by interested persons are due no later than February 8, 2018. Reply comments are due no later than February 22, 2018. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Katalin K. Clendenin is appointed to serve as Public Representative to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding with respect to issues related to the Commission's analysis of the FY 2017 Report and the FY 2018 Plan.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission invites public comment on the Postal Service's FY 2017 Report and FY 2018 Plan.

2. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, the Commission appoints Katalin K. Clendenin to serve as Public Representative to represent the interests of the general public in this proceeding with respect to issues related to the Commission's analysis of the FY 2017 Report and the FY 2018 Plan.

3. Comments are due no later than February 8, 2018.

4. Reply comments are due no later than February 22, 2018.

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

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble,
Secretary.

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For the Board.

Dated: January 5, 2018.

Martha P. Rico,
Secretary to the Board.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34–82434; File No. SR–DTC–2017–024]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; The Depository Trust Company; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change To Amend Procedures in the DTC Settlement Service Guide Relating to the Intra-Month Collection of Required Participants Fund Deposits

January 3, 2018.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) ¹ and Rule 19b–4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on December 22, 2017, The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II and III below, which Items have been prepared by the clearing agency. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Clearing Agency's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The proposed rule change of DTC is annexed hereto as Exhibit 5.³ The proposed rule change would amend the Procedures, set forth in the Settlement Guide, relating to the amount a Participant is required to Deposit to the Participants Fund to satisfy a deficiency in its Required Participants Fund Deposit (“Deficiency”),⁴ as a result of an

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b–4.

³ Each capitalized term not otherwise defined herein has its respective meaning as set forth in the Rules, By-Laws and Organization Certificate of The Depository Trust Company (“Rules”), available at <http://www.dtcc.com/legal/rules-and-procedures.aspx> and the DTC Settlement Service Guide (“Settlement Guide”), available at <http://www.dtcc.com/-/media/Files/Downloads/legal/service-guides/Settlement.pdf>.

⁴ The Required Participants Fund Deposit of a Participant is the amount the Participant is required to Deposit to the Participants Fund pursuant to Section 1 of Rule 4. Rule 4, Section 1, *supra* note 3. The Participants Fund, described more fully below, is provided for in Rule 4. Rule 4, *supra* note 3. Deposit, in this context, pursuant to Section 1 of Rule 1, means causing the appropriate amount in cash to be paid to DTC for credit to the Participants Fund pursuant to Section 1 of Rule 4. Rule 1, Section 1, *supra* note 3. The Settlement Guide,

RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Sunshine Act; Notice of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Railroad Retirement Board will hold a meeting on January 24, 2018, 10:00 a.m. at the Board's meeting room on the 8th floor of its headquarters building, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60611. The agenda for this meeting follows:

Portion open to the public:

(1) Executive Committee Reports

The person to contact for more information is Martha P. Rico, Secretary to the Board, Phone No. 312–751–4920.

³ See FY 2017 Annual Report at 27–28.