

HOVENSA L.L.C.'s 2011 Consent Decree obligations. Subsequent to that purchase, Limetree Bay Terminals, LLC transferred certain assets to Limetree Bay Refining, LLC.

Paragraph 7 of the 2011 Consent Decree requires HOVENSA L.L.C. to condition any transfer of ownership or operation of the refinery "upon the execution by the transferee of a modification to this Consent Decree, which makes the terms and conditions of this Consent Decree applicable to the transferee." Under the proposed First Modification, Limetree Bay Terminals, LLC, Limetree Bay Refining, LLC and the Environmental Response Trust are being added as parties to the Consent Decree. The proposed First Modification also makes changes to some of the deadlines and injunctive relief obligations required by the 2011 Consent Decree.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the First Modification. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environmental and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States, et al. v. HOVENSA L.L.C.*, Civil Action No. 1:11-cv-00006, D. J. Ref. No. 90-5-2-1-08229/1. All comments must be submitted no later than thirty days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

<i>To submit comments:</i>	<i>Send them to:</i>
By e-mail	<i>pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov</i>
By mail	Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, D.C. 20044-7611.

During the public comment period, the First Modification may be examined and downloaded at this Department of Justice website: <http://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>. We will provide a paper copy of the First Modification upon written request and payment of reproduction costs. Please mail your request and payment to: Consent Decree Library, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Wage and Hour Division

Establishing a Minimum Wage for Contractors, Notice of Rate Change in Effect as of January 1, 2021

AGENCY: Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Wage and Hour Division (WHD) of the U.S. Department of Labor (the Department) is issuing this notice to announce the applicable minimum wage rate for workers performing work on or in connection with federal contracts covered by Executive Order 13658, Establishing a Minimum Wage for Contractors (the Executive Order or the Order), beginning January 1, 2021. Beginning on that date, the Executive Order minimum wage rate that generally must be paid to workers performing work on or in connection with covered contracts will increase to \$10.95 per hour, while the required minimum cash wage that generally must be paid to tipped employees performing work on or in connection with covered contracts will increase to \$7.65 per hour.

DATES: These new rates shall take effect on January 1, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy DeBisschop, Director, Division of Regulations, Legislation, and Interpretation, Wage and Hour Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-3502, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210; telephone: (202) 693-0406 (this is not a toll-free number). Copies of this notice may be obtained in alternative formats (Large Print, Braille, Audio Tape, or Disc), upon request, by calling (202) 693-0023 (not a toll-free number). TTY/TTD callers may dial toll-free (877) 889-5627 to obtain information or request materials in alternative formats.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Executive Order 13658 Background and Requirements for Determining Annual Increases to the Minimum Wage Rate

The Executive Order was signed on February 12, 2014, and raised the hourly

minimum wage for workers performing work on or in connection with covered federal contracts to \$10.10 per hour, beginning January 1, 2015, with annual adjustments thereafter in an amount determined by the Secretary pursuant to the Order. *See* 79 FR 9851. The Executive Order directed the Secretary to issue regulations to implement the Order's requirements. *See* 79 FR 9852. Accordingly, after engaging in notice-and-comment rulemaking, the Department published a Final Rule on October 7, 2014 to implement the Executive Order. *See* 79 FR 60634. The final regulations, set forth at 29 CFR part 10, established standards and procedures for implementing and enforcing the minimum wage protections of the Order.

The Executive Order and its implementing regulations require the Secretary to determine the applicable minimum wage rate for workers performing work on or in connection with covered contracts on an annual basis, beginning January 1, 2016. *See* 79 FR 9851; 29 CFR 10.1(a)(2), 10.5(a)(2), 10.12(a). Sections 2(a) and (b) of the Order establish the methodology that the Secretary must use to determine the annual inflation-based increases to the minimum wage rate. *See* 79 FR 9851. These provisions, which are implemented in 29 CFR 10.5(b)(2), explain that the applicable minimum wage determined by the Secretary for each calendar year shall be:

- Not less than the amount in effect on the date of such determination;
- Increased from such amount by the annual percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) (United States city average, all items, not seasonally adjusted), or its successor publication, as determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS); and
- Rounded to the nearest multiple of \$0.05.

Section 2(b) of the Executive Order further provides that, in calculating the annual percentage increase in the CPI-W for purposes of determining the new minimum wage rate, the Secretary shall compare such CPI-W for the most recent month, quarter, or year available (as selected by the Secretary prior to the first year for which a minimum wage is in effect) with the CPI-W for the same month in the preceding year, the same quarter in the preceding year, or the preceding year, respectively. *See* 79 FR 9851. To calculate the annual percentage increase in the CPI-W, the Department elected in its final rule implementing the Executive Order to compare such CPI-W for the most recent year available with the CPI-W for

the preceding year. See 29 CFR 10.5(b)(2)(iii). In its final rule, the Department explained that it decided to compare the CPI-W for the most recent year available (instead of using the most recent month or quarter, as allowed by the Order) with the CPI-W for the preceding year, “to minimize the impact of seasonal fluctuations on the Executive Order minimum wage rate.” 79 FR 60666.

Once a determination has been made with respect to the new minimum wage rate, the Executive Order and its implementing regulations require the Secretary to notify the public of the applicable minimum wage rate on an annual basis at least 90 days before any new minimum wage takes effect. See 79 FR 9851; 29 CFR 10.5(a)(2), 10.12(c)(1). The regulations explain that the Administrator of the Department’s Wage and Hour Division (the Administrator) will publish an annual notice in the **Federal Register** stating the applicable minimum wage rate at least 90 days before any new minimum wage takes effect. See 29 CFR 10.12(c)(2)(i). Additionally, the regulations state that the Administrator will provide notice of the Executive Order minimum wage rate on Wage Determinations OnLine (WDOL), <http://www.wdol.gov>, or any successor site;¹ on all wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon Act (DBA), 40 U.S.C. 3141 *et seq.*, and the Service Contract Act (SCA), 41 U.S.C. 6701 *et seq.*; and by other means the Administrator deems appropriate. See 29 CFR 10.12(c)(2)(ii)-(iv).

Section 3 of the Executive Order requires contractors to pay tipped employees covered by the Order performing on or in connection with covered contracts an hourly cash wage of at least \$4.90, beginning on January 1, 2015, provided the employees receive sufficient tips to equal the Executive Order minimum wage rate under section 2 of the Order when combined with the cash wage. See 79 FR 9851–52; 29 CFR 10.28(a). The Order further provides that, in each succeeding year, beginning January 1, 2016, the required cash wage must increase by \$0.95 (or a lesser amount if necessary) until it reaches 70 percent of the Executive Order minimum wage. *Id.* For subsequent years, the cash wage for tipped employees will be 70 percent of the Executive Order minimum wage rounded to the nearest \$0.05. *Id.* At all times, the amount of tips received by

the employee must equal at least the difference between the cash wage paid and the Executive Order minimum wage; if the employee does not receive sufficient tips, the contractor must increase the cash wage paid so that the cash wage in combination with the tips received equals the Executive Order minimum wage. *Id.*

The Executive Order minimum wage and the cash wage required for tipped employees are currently \$10.80 and \$7.55 per hour, respectively. The Department announced these rates on September 19, 2019, 84 FR 49345, and the rates took effect on January 1, 2020.

II. The 2021 Executive Order Minimum Wage Rate

Using the methodology set forth in the Executive Order and summarized above, the Department must first determine the annual percentage increase in the CPI-W (United States city average, all items, not seasonally adjusted), as published by BLS, to determine the new Executive Order minimum wage rate. In calculating the annual percentage increase in the CPI-W, the Department must compare the CPI-W for the most recent year available with the CPI-W for the preceding year. The Department therefore compares the percentage change in the CPI-W between the most recent year (*i.e.*, the most recent four quarters) and the prior year (*i.e.*, the four quarters preceding the most recent year). The Department then increases the current Executive Order minimum wage rate by the resulting annual percentage change and rounds to the nearest multiple of \$0.05.

In order to determine the Executive Order minimum wage rate beginning January 1, 2021, the Department therefore calculated the CPI-W for the most recent year by averaging the CPI-W for the four most recent quarters, which consist of the first two quarters of 2020 and the last two quarters of 2019 (*i.e.*, July 2019 through June 2020). The Department then compared that data to the average CPI-W for the preceding year, which consists of the first two quarters of 2019 and the last two quarters of 2018 (*i.e.*, July 2018 through June 2019). Based on this methodology, the Department determined that the annual percentage increase in the CPI-W (United States city average, all items, not seasonally adjusted) was 1.432 percent. The Department then applied that annual percentage increase of 1.432 percent to the current Executive Order hourly minimum wage rate of \$10.80, which resulted in a wage rate of \$10.955 ($(\$10.80 \times 0.01432) + \10.80); however, pursuant to the Executive Order, that

rate must be rounded to the nearest multiple of \$0.05.

The new Executive Order minimum wage rate that must generally be paid to workers performing on or in connection with covered contracts beginning January 1, 2021 is therefore \$10.95 per hour.

III. The 2021 Executive Order Minimum Cash Wage for Tipped Employees

As noted above, section 3 of the Executive Order provides a methodology to determine the amount of the minimum hourly cash wage that must be paid to tipped employees performing on or in connection with covered contracts. Because the cash wage for tipped employees reached 70 percent of the Executive Order minimum wage beginning on January 1, 2018 (*i.e.*, \$7.25 per hour compared to \$10.35 per hour), future updates to the cash wage for tipped employees must continue to set the rate at 70 percent of the full Executive Order minimum wage. Seventy percent of the new Executive Order minimum wage rate of \$10.95 is \$7.67. Because the Executive Order provides that the rate must be rounded to the nearest \$0.05, the new minimum hourly cash wage for tipped workers performing on or in connection with covered contracts beginning January 1, 2021 is therefore \$7.65 per hour.

IV. Appendices

Appendix A to this notice provides a comprehensive chart of the CPI-W data published by BLS that the Department used to calculate the new Executive Order minimum wage rate based on the methodology explained herein. Appendix B to this notice sets forth an updated version of the Executive Order poster that the Department published with its Final Rule, reflecting the updated wage rates that will be in effect beginning January 1, 2021. See 79 FR 60732–33. Pursuant to 29 CFR 10.29, contractors are required to notify all workers performing on or in connection with a covered contract of the applicable minimum wage rate under the Executive Order. Contractors with employees covered by the Fair Labor Standards Act who are performing on or in connection with a covered contract may satisfy the notice requirement by displaying the poster set forth in Appendix B in a prominent or accessible place at the worksite.

¹ In 2019, [WDOL.gov](http://www.wdol.gov) moved to beta.SAM.gov and is now known as Wage Determinations. The beta.SAM.gov website is the authoritative and single location for obtaining appropriate Service Contract Act and Davis-Bacon Act wage determinations for each official contract action.

Dated: August 25, 2020.
Cheryl M. Stanton,
Administrator, Wage and Hour Division.

wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-
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 (United States city average, all items, not
 seasonally adjusted)

**Appendix A: Data Used To Determine
 Executive Order 13658 Minimum Wage
 Rate Effective January 1, 2021.**

Data Source: Consumer Price Index for Urban

	Quarter 3			Quarter 4			Quarter 1			Quarter 2			Annual Average
2018Q3 to 2019Q2	246.155	246.336	246.565	247.038	245.933	244.786	245.133	246.218	247.768	249.332	249.871	249.747	247.0735
2019Q3 to 2020Q2	250.236	250.112	250.251	250.894	250.644	250.452	251.361	251.935	251.375	249.515	249.521	251.054	250.6125
Annual Per- centage In- crease	1.432%

**Appendix B: Updated Version of the
 Executive Order 13658 Poster**

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WORKER RIGHTS UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER 13658

FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE FOR CONTRACTORS

\$10.95

 PER HOUR

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021 – DECEMBER 31, 2021

The law requires certain employers to display this poster where employees can readily see it.

MINIMUM WAGE Executive Order 13658 (EO) requires that federal contractors pay workers performing work on or in connection with covered contracts at least (1) \$10.10 per hour beginning January 1, 2015, and (2) beginning January 1, 2016, and every year thereafter, an inflation-adjusted amount determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the EO and appropriate regulations. The EO hourly minimum wage in effect from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 is \$10.95.

TIPS Covered tipped employees must be paid a cash wage of at least \$7.65 per hour effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. If a worker's tips combined with the required cash wage of at least \$7.65 per hour paid by the contractor do not equal the EO hourly minimum wage for contractors, the contractor must increase the cash wage paid to make up the difference. Certain other conditions must also be met.

EXCLUSIONS

- Some workers who provide support "in connection with" covered contracts for less than 20 percent of their hours worked in a week may not be entitled to the EO minimum wage.
- Certain full-time students, learners, and apprentices who are employed under subminimum wage certificates are not entitled to the EO minimum wage.
- Workers employed on contracts for seasonal recreational services or seasonal recreational equipment rental for the general public on federal lands, except when the workers are performing associated lodging and food services, are not entitled to the EO minimum wage.
- Certain other occupations and workers are also exempt from the EO.

ENFORCEMENT The U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division (WHD) is responsible for enforcing the EO. WHD can answer questions, in person or by telephone, about your workplace rights and protections. We can investigate employers, recover wages to which workers may be entitled, and pursue appropriate sanctions against covered contractors. All services are free and confidential. The law also prohibits discriminating against or discharging workers who file a complaint or participate in any proceeding under the EO. If you are unable to file a complaint in English, WHD will accept the complaint in any language. You can find your nearest WHD office at <https://www.dol.gov/whd/local/>.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The EO applies only to new federal construction and service contracts, as defined by the Secretary in the regulations.
- Workers with disabilities whose wages are governed by certificates issued under section 14(c) of the Fair Labor Standards Act must also receive no less than the full EO minimum wage rate.
- Some state or local laws may provide greater worker protections; employers must comply with both.
- More information about the EO is available at: www.dol.gov/whd/flsa/eo13658.



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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (20–069)]

Heliophysics Advisory Committee; Meeting.

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) announces a meeting of the Heliophysics Advisory Committee (HPAC). This Committee functions in an advisory capacity to the Director, Heliophysics Division, in the NASA Science Mission Directorate. The meeting will be held for the purpose of soliciting, from the science community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning.

DATES: Monday, September 21, 2020, 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: Meeting will be virtual only, see dial-in and WebEx information below under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Janet Kozyra, Designated Federal Officer, Science Mission Directorate, NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC 20546, at janet.kozyra@nasa.gov, 202–358–1258.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be open to the public. The meeting will take place telephonically and via WebEx only. Any interested person must use a touch-tone phone to participate in this meeting. Any interested person may call the USA toll free number 1–800–857–9728, or toll number 1–415–228–3890, passcode 5951905 followed by the # sign to participate in this meeting by telephone on both days. The WebEx link is <https://nasaenterprise.webex.com/>; the meeting number is 199 049 7836 and the password is SeptHPAC2020! (case sensitive).

The agenda for the meeting includes the following topic:

- Heliophysics Program Annual Performance Review According to the Government Performance and Results Act Modernization Act.

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the

scheduling priorities of the key participants.

Patricia Rausch,

*Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space Administration.*

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NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION

Request for Comment Regarding National Credit Union Administration Overhead Transfer Rate Methodology and Operating Fee Schedule Methodology

AGENCY: National Credit Union Administration (NCUA).

ACTION: Notice; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The NCUA Board (Board) is inviting comment on the methodology used to determine the Overhead Transfer Rate (OTR). The Board applies the OTR to the NCUA’s operating budget to determine the portion of the budget that will be funded from the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (Share Insurance Fund). The Board welcomes all comments but specifically invites comments on the four principles used in the methodology to calculate the OTR as discussed below. The Board is also requesting comment on proposed changes to the methodology it uses to determine how it apportions operating fees charged to federal credit unions (FCUs). The Board uses operating fees to fund part of the NCUA’s annual budget. In this notice, the Board proposes: Clarifying the treatment of capital project budgets when calculating the operating fees; clarifying the treatment of miscellaneous revenues when calculating the operating fees; and modifying the approach for calculating the annual inflationary adjustments to the thresholds for the operating fee rate tiers. The Board solicits comment on these proposed changes and also solicits comment on several questions to gather information on potential future enhancements to the methodology.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before October 30, 2020 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments by any of the following methods (Please send comments by one method only):

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Fax:* (703) 518–6319. Include “[Your Name]—Request for Comment: Operating Fee Schedule Methodology” in the transmittal.

- *Mail:* Address to Gerard S. Poliquin, Secretary of the Board, National Credit Union Administration, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314–3428.

Public Inspection: You may view all public comments on the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> as submitted, except for those we cannot post for technical reasons. The NCUA will not edit or remove any identifying or contact information from the public comments submitted. Due to social distancing measures in effect, the usual opportunity to inspect paper copies of comments in the NCUA’s law library is not currently available. After social distancing measures are relaxed, visitors may make an appointment to review paper copies by calling (703) 518–6540 or emailing OGCMail@ncua.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Holm, Supervisory Budget Analyst, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, at (703) 518–6570, Amy Ward or Julie Decker, Risk Officers, Office of Examination and Insurance at (703) 819–1770 or (703) 518–6384.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board has separately proposed amending its rule for determining total assets used as the basis for calculating the operating fee due from any FCU. Members of the public are encouraged to comment on this proposed amendment by responding to the appropriate proposed rule. A proposed rule relating to Fees Paid by Federal Credit Unions is published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**.

I. Legal Background

The NCUA charters, regulates, and insures deposits in FCUs and insures deposits in state-chartered credit unions that have their shares insured through the Share Insurance Fund (FISCUs). To cover expenses related to its tasks, the Board adopts an annual budget in the fall of each year. The Federal Credit Union Act (FCU Act) provides two primary sources to fund the budget: (1) Requisitions from the Share Insurance Fund, referred to as the OTR;¹ and (2) Operating Fees charged against FCUs.²

¹ See, e.g., 12 U.S.C. 1783(a) (making the Share Insurance Fund available “for such administrative and other expenses incurred in carrying out the purpose of [Title II of the FCU Act] as [the Board] may determine to be proper.”).

² 12 U.S.C. 1755(a) (“In accordance with rules prescribed by the Board, each [FCU] shall pay to the [NCUA] an annual operating fee which may be composed of one or more charges identified as to