

paragraphs (g)(1) and (g)(4)(i) and (ii) of this section for calendar years beginning after December 31, 2020. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph (j), paragraph (g)(4), as contained in 26 CFR part 1 edition revised as of April 1, 2021, applies to calendar years ending after December 31, 2014, and beginning before January 1, 2022.

PART 301—PROCEDURE AND ADMINISTRATION

■ **Par. 5.** The authority citation for part 301 continues to read in part as follows:

Authority: 26 U.S.C. 7805 * * *

■ **Par. 6.** Section 301.6056–1 is amended by adding introductory text to paragraph (g)(1) and revising paragraph (m) to read as follows:

§ 301.6056–1 Rules relating to reporting by applicable large employers on health insurance coverage offered under employer-sponsored plans.

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(1) *Time for furnishing.* Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph (g)(1), each statement required by this section for a calendar year must be furnished to a full-time employee on or before January 31 of the year succeeding the calendar year in accordance with applicable Internal Revenue Service procedures and instructions. Applicable large employers are granted an automatic, 30-day extension of time in which to furnish these statements.

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(m) *Applicability date.* Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph (m), this section applies for calendar years beginning after December 31, 2014. Paragraph (g)(1) of this section applies for calendar years beginning after December 31, 2021, but applicable large employers may choose to apply paragraph (g)(1) of this section for calendar years beginning after December 31, 2020. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph (m), paragraph (g)(1), as contained in 26 CFR part 1 edition revised as of April 1, 2021, applies to calendar years ending after December 31, 2014, and beginning before January 1, 2022.

Melanie R. Krause,
Acting Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement.

Approved: December 6, 2022.

Lily Batchelder,
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury (Tax Policy).

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

29 CFR Part 4044

Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing Benefits

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This final rule amends the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation's regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans to prescribe interest assumptions under the asset allocation regulation for plans with valuation dates in the first quarter of 2023. These interest assumptions are used for valuing benefits under terminating single-employer plans and for other purposes.

DATES: Effective January 1, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: PBGC's regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans (29 CFR part 4044) prescribes actuarial assumptions—including interest assumptions—for valuing benefits under terminating single-employer plans covered by title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The interest assumptions in the regulation are also published on PBGC's website (<https://www.pbgc.gov>).

PBGC uses the interest assumptions in appendix B to part 4044 (“Interest Rates Used to Value Benefits”) to determine the present value of annuities in an involuntary or distress termination of a single-employer plan under the asset allocation regulation. The assumptions are also used to determine the value of multiemployer plan benefits and certain assets when a plan terminates by mass withdrawal in accordance with PBGC's regulation on Duties of Plan Sponsor Following Mass Withdrawal (29 CFR part 4281).

The first quarter 2023 interest assumptions will be 4.86 percent for the first 20 years following the valuation date and 4.70 percent thereafter. In comparison with the interest assumptions in effect for the fourth quarter of 2022, these interest

assumptions represent no change in the select period (the period during which the select rate (the initial rate) applies), an increase of 0.96 percent in the select rate, and an increase of 1.05 percent in the ultimate rate (the final rate).

Need for Immediate Guidance

PBGC has determined that notice of, and public comment on, this rule are impracticable, unnecessary, and contrary to the public interest. PBGC routinely updates the interest assumptions in appendix B of the asset allocation regulation each quarter so that they are available to value benefits. Accordingly, PBGC finds that the public interest is best served by issuing this rule expeditiously, without an opportunity for notice and comment, and that good cause exists for making the assumptions set forth in this amendment effective less than 30 days after publication to allow the use of the proper assumptions to estimate the value of plan benefits for plans with valuation dates early in the first quarter of 2023.

PBGC has determined that this action is not a “significant regulatory action” under the criteria set forth in Executive Order 12866.

Because no general notice of proposed rulemaking is required for this amendment, the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 does not apply. See 5 U.S.C. 601(2).

List of Subjects in 29 CFR Part 4044

Employee benefit plans, Pension insurance, Pensions.

In consideration of the foregoing, 29 CFR part 4044 is amended as follows:

PART 4044—ALLOCATION OF ASSETS IN SINGLE-EMPLOYER PLANS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 4044 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 29 U.S.C. 1301(a), 1302(b)(3), 1341, 1344, 1362.

■ 2. In appendix B to part 4044, an entry for “January–March 2023” is added at the end of the table to read as follows:

Appendix B to Part 4044—Interest Rates Used To Value Benefits

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For valuation dates occurring in the month—	The values of i_t are:					
	i_t	for $t =$	i_t	for $t =$	i_t	for $t =$
January–March 2023	0.0486	1–20	0.0470	>20	N/A	N/A

Issued in Washington, DC.

Hilary Duke,

Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

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POSTAL SERVICE

39 CFR Part 111

New Mailing Standards for Domestic Mailing Services Products

AGENCY: Postal Service™.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: On October 7, 2022, the Postal Service (USPS®) filed a notice of mailing services price adjustments with the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC), effective January 22, 2023. This final rule contains the revisions to *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®) to implement the changes coincident with the price adjustments and other minor DMM changes.

DATES: *Effective Date:* January 22, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doriane Harley at (202) 268–2537 or Dale Kennedy at (202) 268–6592.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 28, 2022, the PRC favorably reviewed the price adjustments proposed by the Postal Service. The price adjustments and DMM revisions are scheduled to become effective on January 22, 2023. Final prices are available under Docket No. R2023–1 (Order No. 6341) on the Postal Regulatory Commission’s website at www.prc.gov.

Discount for Marketing Mail Flats on SCF Pallets

Currently, the Postal Service offers discounts for Carrier Route, High Density, High Density Plus, and Saturation Flats on 5-Digit or 5-Digit Scheme (direct) containers. Similar discounts would now be offered to flat-shaped Marketing Mail pieces on SCF Pallets. This proposed discount will be applicable to Automation and Nonautomation (3-Digit and 5-Digit Presort) Flats, Carrier Route Flats, High Density Flats, High Density Plus Flats

and Saturation Flats on SCF Pallets regardless of the entry (None, DNDC, and DSCF). This preparation assures that no bundle sorting is required prior to the final processing plant.

Eliminate Zip Coding of Mailing Lists and Correction of Mailing Lists as AMS Products

Currently, the Postal Service offers mailing list services for manual correction of name and address on occupant lists and manual sorting of mailing lists on cards by 5-digit ZIP Code.

The Postal Service is proposing to discontinue these two services due to low volume usage and the availability of other Address Management products that allows more efficient access to the same information in an electronic format.

Elimination of Legacy Extra Service Labels

In an attempt to reduce duplicate labels, the Postal Service is eliminating the following legacy labels: PS 153 Signature Confirmation, PS 3800 Certified Mail, PS 3813 Insured Mail \$500 and under, and PS 3813–P Insured Mail over \$500. These labels will be replaced with IMpb compliant versions. Mailers that continue to use the eliminated labels will be subject to the IMpb Noncompliance Fee.

2023 Mailing Promotions

The Postal Service has been incenting mailers to integrate mobile technology and use innovative print techniques in commercial mail since 2012. These promotions have become an integral way for industry to try new things and innovate their mail campaigns. A 2023 Promotions Calendar is planned with opportunities for mailers to receive a postage discount by applying treatments or integrating technology in their mail campaigns.

Market Dominant comments on Proposed changes and USPS responses.

The Postal Service did not receive any formal comments on the October 2022 proposed rule (87 FR 63741–63743).

We will publish an appropriate amendment to 39 CFR part 111 to reflect these changes.

The Postal Service adopts the following changes to *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM), incorporated by reference in the *Code of Federal Regulations*. See 39 CFR 111.1.

List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 111

Administrative practice and procedure, Postal Service.

PART 111—[Amended]

■ 1. The authority citation for 39 CFR part 111 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552(a); 13 U.S.C. 301–307; 18 U.S.C. 1692–1737; 39 U.S.C. 101, 401, 403, 404, 414, 416, 3001–3011, 3201–3219, 3403–3406, 3621, 3622, 3626, 3632, 3633, and 5001.

■ 2. Revise the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service*, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM) as follows:

Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)

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500 Additional Mailing Services

503 Extra Services

1.0 Basic Standards for All Extra Services

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1.7 Forms and Labels

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[Add new 1.7.5 to read as follows:]

1.7.5 Legacy Extra Service Labels

Certain legacy extra service labels are no longer valid and have been replaced with IMpb compliant versions that have a tracking number beginning with “92” or higher. Mailers using noncompliant versions of the following extra service labels will be subject to the IMpb Noncompliance Fee (see Notice 123—Price List):

- a. PS 153 Signature Confirmation
- b. PS 3800 Certified Mail
- c. PS 3813 Insured Mail \$500 and under
- d. PS 3813–P Insured Mail over \$500

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