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Signed at Washington, DC this 17th day of March 2005.

John Frank,

Acting Chief, Branch of Construction Wage Determinations.

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LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meetings of the Board of Directors Operations and Regulations Committee

Time and Date: The Legal Services Corporation Board of Directors Operations and Regulations Committee will meet April 1, 2005, at 9 a.m.

Location: Caddell Conference Room, Slaughter Hall, 3rd Floor, University of Virginia School of Law, 580 Massie Road, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Status of Meetings: Open.

Matters to be Considered:

Open Session

1. Approval of agenda.
2. Consider and act on Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Financial Eligibility, 45 CFR part 1611.
 - a. Staff report;
 - b. OIG's report; and
 - c. Public comment.
3. Other public comment.
4. Consider and act on other business.
5. Consider and act on adjournment of meeting.

Contact Person for Information: Patricia D. Batie, Manager of Board Operations, at (202) 295-1500.

Special Needs: Upon request, meeting notices will be made available in alternate formats to accommodate visual and hearing impairments. Individuals who have a disability and need an accommodation to attend the meeting may notify Patricia D. Batie, at (202) 295-1500.

Dated: March 23, 2005.

Victor M. Fortuno,

Vice President for Legal Affairs, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary.

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Copyright Office

[Docket No. 2005-4 CARP SRA-Digital]

Rate Adjustment for the Satellite Carrier Compulsory License

AGENCY: Copyright Office, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Notice of voluntary negotiation period.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Office of the Library of Congress is announcing the voluntary negotiation period for the purpose of determining the royalty fees for the retransmission of digital over-the-air television broadcast signals by satellite carriers under the statutory license.

DATES: The voluntary negotiation period commences on March 25, 2005 and concludes on April 25, 2005. Voluntary agreements must be submitted no later than April 25, 2005.

ADDRESSES: If hand delivered by a private party, an original and five copies of voluntary agreements should be brought to Room LM-401 of the James Madison Memorial Building between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. and the envelope should be addressed as follows: Copyright Office General Counsel/CARP, U.S. Copyright Office, James Madison Memorial Building, Room LM-401, 101 Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20559-6000. If delivered by a commercial courier, an original and five copies of voluntary agreements must be delivered to the Congressional Courier Acceptance Site located at 2nd and D Streets, N.E. between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. The envelope should be addressed as follows: Copyright Office General Counsel/CARP, Room LM-403, James Madison Memorial Building, 101 Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. If sent by mail (including overnight delivery using U.S. Postal Service Express Mail), an original and five copies of voluntary agreements should be addressed to: Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel (CARP), P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, D.C. 20024. Voluntary agreements may not be delivered by means of overnight delivery services such as Federal Express, United Parcel Service, etc., due to delays in processing receipt of such deliveries.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David O. Carson, General Counsel, or Gina Giuffreda, Attorney Advisor, Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel (CARP), P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, D.C. 20024.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The satellite carrier compulsory license establishes a statutory copyright licensing scheme for satellite carriers that retransmit over-the-air television broadcast signals to satellite dish owners. 17 U.S.C. 119. Congress created the license in 1988 with the passage of the Satellite Home Viewer Act of 1988. Congress reauthorized the satellite license for additional five-year periods in 1994 and 1999, and the license was slated to expire on December 31, 2004. However, Congress again reauthorized the satellite license for another five years with the passage of the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004 ("SHVERA") (as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005), Pub. L. 108-447, which was signed into law by the President on December 8, 2004.

Rates for the statutory license were initially set by Congress in the Satellite Home Viewer Act of 1988 and then later adjusted by a three-person arbitration panel convened by the former Copyright Royalty Tribunal. 57 FR 19052 (May 1, 1992). When the license was reauthorized in 1994, Congress directed that the rates be adjusted by the Librarian of Congress using the system that replaced the Copyright Royalty Tribunal, namely, a Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel ("CARP"). Accordingly, the Librarian adjusted the rates in 1997. 62 FR 55742 (October 28, 1997). In the Satellite Home Viewer Improvement Act of 1999, which reauthorized the license for an additional five years, Congress reduced the rates set by the Librarian. 17 U.S.C. 119(c)(4).

SHVERA adopts the rates as reduced by Congress in 1999 for the retransmission of analog signals but calls for the adjustment of those rates.¹ In addition, SHVERA calls for the setting of rates, for the first time, for the retransmission of the primary digital transmissions of network stations and superstations. SHVERA provides that the rates to be paid by satellite carriers for the retransmission of digital signals shall be the rates set by the Librarian in 1997 for the retransmission of analog signals, 37 CFR 258.3(b)(1)&(2), reduced

¹ The Library has begun the process to adjust the rates paid for the retransmission of analog signals. See 69 FR 78482 (December 30, 2004); 70 FR 3656 (January 26, 2005).