

(4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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 the OMB approves it 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 OMB Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

Agency: DOL–MSHA.

Title of Collection: Underground Retorts.

OMB Control Number: 1219–0096.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Number of Respondents: 1.

Frequency: On occasion.

Number of Responses: 1.

Annual Burden Hours: 160 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$0.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of Workers' Compensation Programs

#### Proposed Extension of Information Collection; Attorney Acknowledgement/Instructions Relating to Representative Fee Applications; OMB Control No. 1240–0049

**AGENCY:** Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Division of Federal Employees' Compensation, (OWCP/DFEC) Labor.

**ACTION:** Request for public comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance request for comment to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This request helps to ensure that: requested data can be provided in the desired format; reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized;

collection instruments are clearly understood; and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Division of Federal Employees' Compensation, (OWCP/DFEC) is soliciting comments on the information collection for Attorney Acknowledgement/Instructions Relating to Representative Fee Applications, CA–143/CA–155.

**DATES:** All comments must be received on or before February 18, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comment as follows. Please note that late, untimely filed comments will not be considered.

*Electronic Submissions:* Submit electronic comments in the following way:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments for WCPO–2024–0021–0001. Comments submitted electronically, including attachments, to <https://www.regulations.gov> will be posted to the docket, with no changes. Because your comment will be made public, you are responsible for ensuring that your comment does not include any confidential information that you or a third party may not wish to be posted, such as your or anyone else's Social Security number or confidential business information.

- If your comment includes confidential information that you do not wish to be made available to the public, submit the comment as a written/paper submission.

*Written/Paper Submissions:* Submit written/paper submissions in the following way:

- *Mail/Hand Delivery:* Mail or visit DOL–OWCP/DFEC, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Division of Federal Employees' Compensation, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave. NW, Room S–3323, Washington, DC 20210.

- OWCP/DFEC will post your comment as well as any attachments, except for information submitted and marked as confidential, in the docket at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Anjanette Suggs, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Division of Federal Employees' Longshore, and Harbor Workers' Compensation, OWCP/DFELHWC, at [suggs.anjanette@dol.gov](mailto:suggs.anjanette@dol.gov) (email); (202) 354–9660.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## I. Background

The Division of Federal Employees' Compensation (DFEC) administers the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA). A Federal employee who sustains a work-related injury is entitled to receive compensation under the FECA. Under 5 U.S.C. 8127(a) and in accordance with 20 CFR 10.700 and 702.131, a claimant may authorize an attorney or other individual to represent his or her interests in any proceeding before the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). Under 5 U.S.C. 8127(b) and in accordance with 20 CFR 10.702 and 702.132, fees for representatives' services must first be approved by the Secretary. The representative is entitled to request a fee for services under 20 CFR 10.700–703 (Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA)). The fee must be approved by the OWCP before any demand for payment can be made by the representative.

See: <https://www.dol.gov/owcp/dfec/regs/statutes/feca.htm>.

eCFR: 20 CFR part 10—Claims for Compensation Under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act, as Amended.

## II. Desired Focus of Comments

OWCP/DFEC is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection related to the Attorney Acknowledgement/Instructions Relating to Representative Fee Applications. OWCP/DFEC is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information has practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of OWCP/DFEC's estimate of the burden related to the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used in the estimate;
- Suggest methods to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the information collection 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.

Background documents related to this information collection request are available at <https://regulations.gov> and at DOL–OWCP/DFEC located at 200 Constitution Ave. NW, Room S–3323, Washington, DC 20210. Questions about the information collection requirements

may be directed to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** section of this notice.

### III. Current Actions

This information collection request concerns the Attorney Acknowledgement/Instructions Relating to Representative Fee Applications, CA-143/CA-155. OWCP/DFEC has updated the data with respect to the number of respondents, responses, burden hours, and burden costs supporting this information collection request from the previous information collection request.

*Type of Review:* Extension, with change, of a currently approved collection.

*Agency:* Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Division of Federal Employees' Compensation, OWCP/DFEC.

*OMB Number:* 1240-0049.

*Affected Public:* Private Sector—Business or other For-profits.

*Number of Respondents:* 6,328.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Number of Responses:* 6,328.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 3,164 hours.

*Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper Cost:* \$1,107,400.00.

*OWCP/DFEC 1240-0049:* OWCP/DFEC Attorney Acknowledgement/Instructions Relating to Representative Fee Applications.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the proposed information collection request; they will become a matter of public record and will be available at <https://www.reginfo.gov>.

**Anjanette Suggs,**  
*Certifying Officer.*

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### POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. K2025-814; MC2025-770 and K2025-769; MC2025-793 and K2025-792; MC2025-794 and K2025-793; MC2025-795 and K2025-794; MC2025-796 and K2025-795; MC2025-797 and K2025-796; MC2025-798 and K2025-797; MC2025-799 and K2025-798; MC2025-800 and K2025-799; MC2025-801 and K2025-800; MC2025-802 and K2025-801; MC2025-803 and K2025-802; MC2025-804 and K2025-803; MC2025-805 and K2025-804; MC2025-806 and K2025-805; MC2025-807 and K2025-806; MC2025-808 and K2025-807; MC2025-809 and K2025-808; MC2025-810 and K2025-809; MC2025-811 and K2025-810; MC2025-812 and K2025-811; MC2025-813 and K2025-812; MC2025-814 and K2025-813; MC2025-815 and K2025-814; MC2025-816 and K2025-815; MC2025-817 and K2025-816]

#### New Postal Products

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is noticing a recent Postal Service filing for the Commission's consideration concerning a negotiated service agreement. This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

**DATES:** *Comments are due:* December 20, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <https://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

Pursuant to 39 CFR 3041.405, the Commission gives notice that the Postal Service filed request(s) for the Commission to consider matters related to Competitive negotiated service agreement(s). The request(s) may propose the addition of a negotiated service agreement from the Competitive product list or the modification of an existing product currently appearing on the Competitive product list.

The public portions of the Postal Service's request(s) can be accessed via the Commission's website (<https://www.prc.gov>).

[www.prc.gov](https://www.prc.gov)). Non-public portions of the Postal Service's request(s), if any, can be accessed through compliance with the requirements of 39 CFR 3011.301.<sup>1</sup>

Section II identifies the docket number(s) associated with each Postal Service request, if any, that will be reviewed in a public proceeding as defined by 39 CFR 3010.101(p), the title of each such request, the request's acceptance date, and the authority cited by the Postal Service for each request. For each such request, the Commission appoints an officer of the Commission to represent the interests of the general public in the proceeding, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505 and 39 CFR 3000.114 (Public Representative). Section II also establishes comment deadline(s) pertaining to each such request.

The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service's request(s) identified in Section II, if any, are consistent with the policies of title 39. Applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3632, 39 U.S.C. 3633, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3035, and 39 CFR part 3041. Comment deadline(s) for each such request, if any, appear in Section II.

Section III identifies the docket number(s) associated with each Postal Service request, if any, to add a standardized distinct product to the Competitive product list or to amend a standardized distinct product, the title of each such request, the request's acceptance date, and the authority cited by the Postal Service for each request. Standardized distinct products are negotiated service agreements that are variations of one or more Competitive products, and for which financial models, minimum rates, and classification criteria have undergone advance Commission review. See 39 CFR 3041.110(n); 39 CFR 3041.205(a). Such requests are reviewed in summary proceedings pursuant to 39 CFR 3041.325(c)(2) and 39 CFR 3041.505(f)(1). Pursuant to 39 CFR 3041.405(c)-(d), the Commission does not appoint a Public Representative or request public comment in proceedings to review such requests.

#### II. Public Proceeding(s)

1. *Docket No(s):* K2025-814; *Filing Title:* Request of the United States Postal Service Concerning Functionally Equivalent Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operator—FY25-2; *Filing Acceptance*

<sup>1</sup> See Docket No. RM2018-3, Order Adopting Final Rules Relating to Non-Public Information, June 27, 2018, Attachment A at 19-22 (Order No. 4679).