

Guide (RG) 1.244 (Revision 0), "Control of Heavy Loads at Nuclear Facilities." RG 1.244 is a new regulatory guide to endorse selected national consensus standards related to heavy load handling that replace NRC technical reports. The national consensus standards provide greater flexibility in the selection of lifting equipment and have incorporated recent operating experience to provide a more accurate risk-informed perspective of heavy load handling activities.

**DATES:** Revision 0 to RG 1.244 is available on December 21, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2021-0096 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking website:* Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2021-0096. Address questions about Docket IDs in *Regulations.gov* to Stacy Schumann; telephone: 301-415-0624; email: [Stacy.Schumann@nrc.gov](mailto:Stacy.Schumann@nrc.gov). For technical questions, contact the individuals listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

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Revision 0 to RG 1.244 and the regulatory analysis may be found in ADAMS under Accession Nos. ML21006A346 and ML21006A337, respectively.

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#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **I. Discussion**

The NRC is issuing a new guide in the NRC's "Regulatory Guide" series. This series was developed to describe and make available to the public information regarding methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the agency's regulations, techniques that the NRC staff uses in evaluating specific issues or postulated events, and data that the NRC staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

RG 1.244 was issued with a temporary identification of Draft Regulatory Guide, DG-1381, ADAMS Accession No, ML21006A335.

#### **II. Additional Information**

The NRC published a notice of the availability of DG-1381 in the **Federal Register** on May 5, 2021 (86 FR 23750) for a 30-day public comment period. The public comment period was extended and closed on July 5, 2021. Public comments and the staff responses to the public comments on DG-1381 are available in ADAMS under Accession No. ML21244A455.

This new regulatory guide provides guidance for control of heavy loads at nuclear facilities to provide reasonable assurance safety functions would be accomplished following handling system equipment failure. The NRC has provided guidance in technical reports NUREG-0612, "Control of Heavy Loads in Nuclear Power Plants," dated August 1980 (ADAMS Accession No. ML070250180) and NUREG-0554, "Single Failure-Proof Cranes for Nuclear Power Plants," dated May 1979 (ADAMS Accession No. ML110450636). However, this guidance has not been updated and does not reflect a current risk-informed perspective regarding heavy load handling activities. To provide updated guidance, the NRC is issuing RG 1.244 which endorses, with clarifications, the following consensus standards:

- American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Standard (Std.)

NML-1, "Rules for the Movement of Loads Using Overhead Handling Equipment in Nuclear Facilities," 2019.

- ASME Std. NOG-1, "Rules for Construction of Overhead and Gantry Cranes (Top Running Bridge, Multiple Girder)," 2020.

- ASME Std. BTH-1, "Design of Below-the-Hook Lifting Devices," 2017, Chapters 1 through 3.

The use of consensus standards where available is consistent with NRC Commission Policy and provides updated information reflecting operating experience.

#### **III. Congressional Review Act**

This RG is a rule as defined in the Congressional Review Act (5 U.S.C. 801-808). However, the Office of Management and Budget has not found it to be a major rule as defined in the Congressional Review Act.

#### **IV. Backfitting, Forward Fitting, and Issue Finality**

Issuance of this RG does not constitute backfitting as defined in Section 50.109 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), "Backfitting," and as described in NRC Management Directive (MD) 8.4, "Management of Backfitting, Forward Fitting, Issue Finality, and Information Requests"; constitute forward fitting as that term is defined and described in MD 8.4; or affect issue finality of any approval issued under 10 CFR part 52, "Licenses, Certificates, and Approvals for Nuclear Power Plants." As explained in this regulatory guide, applicants and licensees are not required to comply with the positions set forth in this regulatory guide.

Dated: December 15, 2021.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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#### **PEACE CORPS**

#### **Information Collection Request; Submission for OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** Peace Corps.

**ACTION:** 30-day notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Peace Corps will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are

requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this notice is to allow 30 days for public comment in the **Federal Register**.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before January 20, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Virginia Burke, FOIA/Privacy Act Officer. Virginia Burke can be contacted by email at [pcfr@peacecorps.gov](mailto:pcfr@peacecorps.gov). Email comments must be made in text and not in attachments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Virginia Burke at (202) 692-1887, or the Peace Corps address above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Interview Rating Tool Form.

*OMB Control Number:* 0420-0555.

*Agency Form Number:* PC-2134.

*Type of Request:* Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved information collection for which approval has expired, for three years.

*Originating Office:* Office of Volunteer Recruitment and Selection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals.

*Respondents Obligation to Reply:* Voluntary.

*Burden to the Public:* Rating Tool Interview Form.

(a) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 10,000.

(b) *Frequency of Response:* One time.

(c) *Estimated Average Burden per Response:* 90 minutes.

(d) *Annual estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 15,000 hours.

(e) *Estimated annual cost to respondents:* 0.00.

*General description of collection and purpose:* The Peace Corps will use the information as an integral part of the selection process to learn whether an applicant possesses the necessary characteristics and skills to serve as a Peace Corps Volunteer. A Placement Officer conducts an interview with an applicant and fills out the form during the course of the interview. The information is then used to determine if the Office of Volunteer Recruitment and Selection will issue an invitation to the applicant. The Information Collection expired on January 31, 2021. We are seeking reinstatement with change of this information collection and a three-year clearance.

*Request for Comment:* Peace Corps invites comments on whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for proper performance of the functions of the Peace Corps, including whether the information will have practical use; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the information

to be collected; and, ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

This notice is issued in Washington, DC, on December 10, 2021.

**Virginia Burke,**

*FOIA/Privacy Act Officer, Management.*

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. CP2022-37; Order No. 6064]

### Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreements With Foreign Postal Operators

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is acknowledging a recent filing by the Postal Service that it has entered into the Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators (FPOs). This notice informs the public of the filing, invites public comment, and takes other administrative steps.

**DATES:** *Comments are due:* December 22, 2021.

**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.

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#### I. Introduction

On December 14, 2021, the Postal Service filed a notice with the Commission pursuant to 39 CFR 3035.105 and Order No. 546,<sup>1</sup>

concerning the inbound portions of an Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with a Foreign Postal Operator (FPO) which the Postal Service seeks to include within the Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operators 1 (MC2010-34 product).<sup>2</sup>

### II. Summary of the FPO-USPS Agreement FY22-3

The FPO-USPS Agreement FY22-3 is intended to become effective on January 1, 2022, and will, unless terminated earlier, expire on December 31, 2022. Except as otherwise agreed by contract, the FPO exchanges mail with the Postal Service and applies the Universal Postal Convention and Universal Postal Convention Regulations to those exchanges. The competitive services offered by the Postal Service to the FPO in FPO-USPS Agreement FY22-3 include rates for inbound tracked packets. Notice at 6. The Postal Service states that "[m]any rates will be based on a per-piece and per-kilo structure and in Special Drawing Rights. . . ." *Id.* (footnote omitted). Only the inbound portions of the FPO-USPS Agreement FY22-3 that concern competitive products are included in the proposal filed in this docket. *Id.* Outbound delivery of competitive postal products within the FPO's country have not previously been presented to the Commission and are not presented in this Notice. *Id.*

Accompanying the Notice are:

- Attachment 1—an application for non-public treatment of materials to maintain redacted portions of the agreement and supporting documents under seal;
- Attachment 2—a redacted copy of FPO-USPS Agreement FY22-3;
- Attachment 3—a copy of the Governors' Decision No. 19-1;
- Attachment 4—a certified statement required by 39 CFR 3035.105(c)(2); and
- Supporting financial documentation as separate Excel files.

The Postal Service asserts that "[t]he FPO-USPS Agreement FY22-3 is functionally equivalent to the baseline agreement filed in Docket No. MC2010-34 because the terms of this agreement are similar in scope and purpose to the terms of the CP2010-95 Agreement" that is used for functional equivalency analyses of the Inbound Competitive

<sup>1</sup> Docket Nos. MC2010-34 and CP2010-95, Order Adding Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreements with Foreign Postal Service Operators 1 to the Competitive Product List and Approving Included Agreement, September 29, 2010 (Order No. 546).

<sup>2</sup> See Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing Functionally Equivalent Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with Foreign Postal Operator—FY22-3, December 14, 2021, at 1 (Notice). The Postal Service refers to the agreement as "FPO-USPS Agreement FY22-3." *Id.*