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**Exhibit 4.1b Wrap Instructions**

[Revise Exhibit 4.1b to read as follows:]

1. Wrap direction will be specified as around the longer axis of the mailpiece so that the seam is along the addressed side of the mailpiece, and oriented parallel to the longest direction. This seam must not cover any part of the address and barcode read areas.

2. a. For AFSM 100 mailpieces, overhang (selvage) cannot be more than 0.75 inches from the top of the mailpiece and 0.75 inches from the bottom of the mailpiece when the mailpiece is centered inside of the polywrap. Overhang (selvage) of not more than 1.5 inches will be allowed at the top of the mailpiece when the contents are totally positioned at the bottom of the polywrap. Overhang on each side must not be more than 0.25 inch. The piece must not be wrapped so tightly as to cause the mailpiece to bend.

b. For FSM 1000 mailpieces, overhang (selvage) cannot be more than 0.75 inches from any edge when the mailpiece is centered inside of the polywrap. Overhang (selvage) of not more than 1.5 inches will be allowed at the top of the mailpiece when the contents are totally positioned at the bottom of the polywrap and not more than 1.5 inches when the contents are positioned totally to the left or to the right side of the polywrap.

**4.2 Polywrap Certification Process**

[Revise 4.2 by changing "FSM 881" to read as "AFSM 100". No other changes to text.]

**4.3 Mailpiece Identification**

[Revise the first sentence of 4.3 to read as follows:]

Polywrapped flats must be endorsed to show that the polywrap has been approved by the USPS as automation compatible regardless of the placement of the address label. \* \* \*

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[Revise the heading and text of 4.5 by changing "FSM 881" to read as "AFSM 100".]

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**4.6 FSM 1000 Polywrap**

[Revise 4.6 by adding the following sentence at the end:]

\* \* \* When the address label is placed on the outside of the polywrap, the haze requirement does not apply.

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**G. General Information****G000 The USPS and Mailing Standards**

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**G090 Experimental Classification and Rates**

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**G094 Ride-Along Rate for Periodicals 1.0 Basic Eligibility**

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**1.3 Physical Characteristics**

[Revise item c by changing "FSM 881" to "AFSM 100".]

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**M. Mail Preparation and Sortation**

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**M800 All Automation Mail**

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**M820 Flat-Size Mail****1.0 BASIC STANDARDS**

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**1.5 Package Preparation**

[Revise 1.5 by replacing "FSM 881" to "AFSM 100".]

**1.6 Sack Preparation**

[Revise 1.6 by replacing "FSM 881" with "AFSM 100". No other changes to text.]

Mailers may combine AFSM 100 packages and FSM 1000 packages in the same tray (First-Class Mail) or in the same sack (Standard Mail, Bound Printed Matter, and Periodicals).

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**1.11 Tray-Based Preparation**

[Revise 1.11 by changing "FSM 881" to "AFSM 100".]

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**R. Rates and Fees**

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**R200 PERIODICALS****1.0 Outside-County—Excluding Science-of-Agriculture**

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**1.2 Piece Rates**

[Revise the footnote to read as follows:]

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1. Lower maximum weight limits apply: letter-size at 3 ounces (or 3.3 ounces for heavy letters); flat-size at 20 ounces for enveloped, bound and polywrapped pieces (AFSM 100) and 6 pounds (FSM 1000).

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An appropriate amendment to 39 CFR 111.3 to reflect these changes will be published if the proposal is adopted.

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**LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION****45 CFR Part 1626****Restrictions on Legal Assistance to Aliens; 1626 Negotiated Rulemaking Working Group Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Legal Services Corporation.

**ACTION:** Regulation negotiation working group meeting.

**SUMMARY:** LSC is conducting a Negotiated Rulemaking to consider revisions to its alien representation regulations at 45 CFR Part 1626. This document announces the dates, times, and address of the next meeting of the working group, which is open to the public.

**DATES:** The Legal Services Corporation's 1626 Negotiated Rulemaking Working Group will meet on May 9-10, 2002. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. on May 9, 2002. It is anticipated that the meeting will end by 3:30 p.m. on May 10, 2002.

**ADDRESS:** The meeting will be held in the First Floor Conference Room at the offices of Marasco Newton Group, Inc., 2425 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22201.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mattie C. Condray, Senior Assistant General Counsel, Legal Services

Corporation, 750 First St., N.E., 11th Floor, Washington, DC, 20001; (202) 336-8817 (phone); (202) 336-8952 (fax); [mcondray@lsc.gov](mailto:mcondray@lsc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** LSC is conducting a Negotiated Rulemaking to consider revisions to its alien representation regulations at 45 CFR Part 1626. The working group will hold its next meeting on the dates and at the location announced above. The meeting is open to the public. 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 Ms. Condray.

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

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## **CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

### **45 CFR Part 2551**

**RIN 3045-AA29**

### **Senior Companion Program; Amendments**

**AGENCY:** Corporation for National and Community Service.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** These amendments to the Final Regulation governing the Senior Companion Program include the addition of persons with limited English speaking proficiency as eligible participants, clarify that the value of food, clothing and shelter is to be counted as income if provided at no cost by any source, adjust income eligibility levels in high cost areas, reduce restrictions on sponsors and volunteer eligibility, provide for volunteer leaders authorized by the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, as amended, and permit Senior Companions to serve the 1044 hours in a nine month period.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before June 17, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Corporation for National and Community Service, National Senior Service Corps, Attn: Mr. Peter L. Boynton, 9th Floor, 1201 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 20525. Comments may be e-mailed to [Pboynton@cns.gov](mailto:Pboynton@cns.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peter L. Boynton, 202-606-5000, ext. 499.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### **Background**

The Final Regulation that is the subject of this amendment implemented changes to the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, as amended, and established or clarified minimum program requirements. The following changes to the Final Regulation are being proposed:

(1) Section 2551.23 (c) (2) (iv) provides that the Memorandum of Understanding between a sponsor and a volunteer station must contain an assurance that the volunteer station will not discriminate against Foster Grandparents or in the operation of its station. Executive Order 13166 issued August 11, 2000, requires that each Federal agency develop a plan to improve access to its programs by eligible persons who, as a result of national origin, are limited in their English proficiency. The intent of the proposed amendment is to improve access of persons with limited English proficiency.

(2) Section 2551.42 (b) provides that annual income is counted for the past 12 months. As currently worded, this applies to new applicants to the program as well as those who continue in service. However, in the case of new applicants to become stipended Senior Companions, the Corporation intends that sponsors use the applicant's projected income over the following 12 months to determine eligibility. This proposed amendment would permit additional recent retirees, or others whose household income has been reduced within the past 12 months, to serve as Senior Companions.

(3) Section 2551.51 provides that a Senior Companion must serve a minimum of nine months a year for an average of 20 hours of service per week and a maximum of 1044 hours per year. The proposed amendment would allow Senior Companion Program sponsors increased flexibility in determining the hours of service for Senior Companions in accordance with local needs, within a range of from 15 to 40 hours per week, subject to a maximum of 2088 hours per year.

(4) Section 2551.61 details conditions under which a Senior Companion Program sponsor may serve as a volunteer station. The Corporation believes these conditions should be expanded. Since each sponsor currently submits workplans with its grant application for approval by the Corporation State Office, the Corporation believes the review of these workplans provides sufficient basis for deciding the appropriateness of a given

sponsor serving as a volunteer station. The proposed amendment would permit a sponsor to serve as a volunteer station provided that this is part of a workplan submitted with the application.

(5) When the Final Regulation was published, in an effort to be consistent with Foster Grandparent Program Regulations, we did not include provision for volunteer leaders. The Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, as amended, authorizes volunteer leaders in the Senior Companion Program. Sections 2551.45, 2551.71 and 2551.72 are being amended to include volunteer leaders.

### **List of Subjects in 45 CFR Part 2551**

Aged, Grant programs—social programs, Volunteers.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, the Corporation for National and Community Service proposes to amend 45 CFR part 2551 as follows:

### **PART 2551—SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM**

1. The authority citation for part 2551 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 4950 *et seq.*

2. Revise § 2551.23(c)(2)(iv) to read as follows:

#### **§ 2551.23 What are a sponsor's program responsibilities?**

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(c) \* \* \*

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(iv) That states the station assures it will not discriminate against volunteers or in the operation of its program on the basis of race; color; national origin, including individuals with limited English proficiency; sex; age; political affiliation; religion; or on the basis of disability, if the participant or member is a qualified individual with a disability; and

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3. In § 2551.42, revise paragraph (b) to read as follows:

#### **§ 2551.42 What income guidelines govern eligibility to serve as a stipended Senior Companion?**

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(b) For applicants to become stipended Senior Companions, annual income is projected for the following 12 months, based on income at the time of application. For serving stipended Senior Companions, annual income is counted for the past 12 months. Annual income includes the applicant or enrollee's income and that of his/her spouse, if the spouse lives in the same residence. Sponsors shall count the value of shelter, food, and clothing, if