

industry data and addresses comments received on the PRIA from commenters on the 1992 proposal.

III. Request for Comments

This is a limited reopening of the record to provide you an opportunity to comment on our updated PRIA and its assessment that the high voltage longwall proposal would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities, either small mines or small manufacturers of high voltage equipment, as defined by the SBA. We will consider comments addressing the economic impact of the proposal on small manufacturers and small mines and our conclusion, in the updated PRIA, that the proposal would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. Comments addressing the substantive provisions of proposed parts 18 and 75 will not be considered due to the limited scope of this reopening notice.

We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to provide information and express your concerns on the specific issues discussed here.

Again, you can obtain a copy of this reopening notice and the updated PRIA by contacting MSHA at the address or telephone number provided at the beginning of this notice. These documents are also available on our website at <http://www.msha.gov>.

Dated: December 13, 1999.

J. Davitt McAteer,

Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

32 CFR Part 811

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Release, Dissemination, and Sale of Visual Information Materials

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Air Force is revising our rules on the Release, Dissemination, and Sale of Visual Information Materials to reflect current policies. Part 811 implements Air Force Instruction (AFI) 33-117, Visual Information Management, and applies to all Air Force activities.

DATES: Submit comments on or before February 28, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Mr. Raymond Dabney, HQ AFCIC/ITSM, 1250 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330-1250, 703-588-6136.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Raymond Dabney, HQ AFCIC/ITSM, 703-588-6136.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of the Air Force is revising our rules on the Release, Dissemination, and Sale of Visual Information Materials of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFRs) to reflect current policies. This part implements Air Force Instruction (AFI) 33-117, Visual Information Management, and applies to all Air Force activities.

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 811

Archives and records, Motion pictures.

For the reasons stated in the preamble, the Department of the Air Force is proposing to revise 32 CFR part 811 as follows:

PART 811—RELEASE, DISSEMINATION, AND SALE OF VISUAL INFORMATION MATERIALS

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Authority: 10 U.S.C. 8013.

§ 811.1 Exceptions.

The following does not apply to:

(a) Visual information (VI) materials made for the Air Force Office of Special Investigations for use in an investigation or a counterintelligence report. (See Air Force Instruction (AFI) 90-301, The Inspector General Complaints, describes who may use these materials.)

(b) VI materials made during Air Force investigations of aircraft or missile mishaps according to AFI 91-204, Safety Investigations and Reports. (See AFI 90-301.)

§ 811.2 Release of visual information materials.

(a) Only the Secretary of the Air Force for Public Affairs (SAF/PA) clears and releases Air Force materials for use outside Department of Defense (DoD), according to AFI 35-205, Air Force Security and Policy Review Program.

(b) The Secretary of the Air Force for Legislative Liaison (SAF/LL) arranges the release of VI material through SAF/

PA when a member of Congress asks for them for official use.

(c) The International Affairs Division (HQ USAF/CVAII) or, in some cases, the major command (MAJCOM) Foreign Disclosure Office, must authorize release of classified and unclassified materials to foreign governments and international organizations or their representatives.

§ 811.3 Official requests for visual information productions or materials.

(a) Send official Air Force requests for productions or materials from the DoD Central Records Centers by letter or message. Include:

(1) Descriptions of the images needed, including media format, dates, etc.

(2) Visual information record identification number (VIRIN), production, or Research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) identification numbers, if known.

(3) Intended use and purpose of the material.

(4) The date needed and a statement of why products are needed on a specific date.

(b) Send inquiries about motion picture or television materials to the Defense Visual Information Center (DVIC), 1363 Z Street, Building 2730, March ARB, CA 92518-2703.

(c) Send Air Force customer inquiries about still photographic materials to 11 CS/SCUA, Bolling AFB, Washington, DC 20332-0403 (the Air Force accessioning point).

(d) Send non-Air Force customers' inquiries about still photographic materials to the DVIC.

§ 811.4 Selling visual information materials.

(a) Air Force VI activities cannot sell materials.

(b) HQ AFCIC/ITSM may approve the loan of copies of original materials for federal government use.

(c) Send requests to buy:

(1) Completed, cleared, productions, to the National Archives and Records Administration, National Audiovisual Center, Information Office, 8700 Edgeworth Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20722-3701.

(2) Nonproduction VI motion media to the DVIC. The center may sell other Air Force VI motion picture and television materials, such as historical and stock footage. When it sells VI motion media, the DVIC assesses charges, unless § 811.5 exempts the requesting activity.

(3) VI still media to the DoD Still Media Records Center (SMRC), Attn: SSRC, Washington, DC 20374-1681. When SMRC sells VI still media, the

SMRC assesses charges, unless § 811.5 exempts the requesting activity.

§ 811.5 Customers exempt from fees.

(a) Title III of the 1968 Intergovernmental Cooperation Act exempts some customers from paying for products and loans. This applies if the supplier has sufficient funds and if the exemption does not impair its mission. The requesting agency must certify that the materials are not commercially available. When requests for VI material do not meet exemption criteria, the requesting agency pays the fees. Exempted customers include:

(1) DoD and other government agencies asking for materials for official activities (see DoD Instruction 4000.19, Interservice, and Intergovernmental Support, August 9, 1995, and DoD Directive 5040.2, Visual Information (VI), December 7, 1987.

(2) Members of Congress asking for VI materials for official activities.

(3) VI records center materials or services furnished according to law or Executive Order.

(4) Federal, state, territorial, county, municipal governments, or their agencies, for activities contributing to an Air Force or DoD objective.

(5) Nonprofit organizations for public health, education, or welfare purposes.

(6) Armed Forces members with a casualty status, their next of kin, or authorized representative, if VI material requested relates to the member and does not compromise classified information or an accident investigation board's work.

(7) The general public, to help the Armed Forces recruiting program or enhance public understanding of the Armed Forces, when SAF/PA determines that VI materials or services promote the Air Force's best interest.

(8) Incidental or occasional requests for VI records center materials or services, including requests from residents of foreign countries, when fees would be inappropriate. AFI 16-101, International Affairs and Security Assistance Management, tells how a foreign government may obtain Air Force VI materials.

(9) Legitimate news organizations working on news productions, documentaries, or print products that inform the public on Air Force activities.

(b) [Reserved]

§ 811.6 Visual information product/material loans.

(a) You may request unclassified and classified copies of current Air Force productions and loans of DoD and other Federal productions from JVISDA,

ATTN: ASQV-JVIA-T-AS, Bldg. 3, Bay 3, 11 Hap Arnold Blvd., Tobyhanna, PA 18466-5102.

(1) For unclassified products, use your organization's letterhead, identify subject title, PIN, format, and quantity.

(2) For classified products, use your organization's letterhead, identify subject title, personal identification number (PIN), format, and quantity. Also, indicate that either your organization commander or security officer, and MAJCOM VI manager approve the need.

(b) You may request other VI materials, such as, still images and motion media stock footage, from DVIC/OM-PA, 1363 Z Street, Building 2730, March ARB, CA 92518-2703.

§ 811.7 Collecting and controlling fees.

(a) The DoD records centers usually collect fees in advance. Exceptions are sales where you cannot determine actual cost until work is completed (for example, television and motion picture services with per minute or per footage charges).

(b) Customers pay fees, per AFR 177-108, Paying and Collecting Transactions at Base Level, with cash, treasury check, certified check, cashier's check, bank draft, or postal money order.

§ 811.8. Forms prescribed.

Air Force (AF) Form 833, Visual Information Request, AF Form 1340, *Visual Information Support Center Workload Report*, Department of Defense (DD) Form 1995, Visual Information (VI) Production Request and Report, DD Form 2054-1, Visual Information (VI) Annual Report, and DD Form 2537, Visual Information Caption Sheet are prescribed by this publication.

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Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

39 CFR Part 3001

[Docket No. RM98-3; Order No. 1274]

Revisions to Rules of Practice; Further Proposed Changes

AGENCY: Postal Rate Commission.

ACTION: Supplementary notice of further proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document addresses comments on a previous proposal to revise the general rules of practice. It proposes adopting the special rules of practice on a permanent basis and makes several other improvements. The

Commission invites comments on this set of proposals.

DATES: Submit comments no later than January 21, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send correspondence concerning this proposal to Margaret P. Crenshaw, Secretary, Postal Rate Commission, 1333 H Street NW., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20268-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, Postal Rate Commission, 1333 H Street NW., Suite 300, Washington, DC 20268-0001, 202-789-6820.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory History

In order no. 1218 the Commission solicited suggestions from interested parties on ways to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of proceedings conducted pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 3624. See 63 FR 46732 (September 2, 1998). The order encouraged comments on any topic covered in 39 CFR 3001.1-92, with the exception of library references and confidential information, which were to be addressed in separate rulemakings. While all the rules of practice and procedure were open for comment, several areas of particular interest were identified, based on the Commission's assessment of the rules in operation during the most recent omnibus rate case, docket no. R97-1.

Specifically, the Commission found that incorporation of all (or most) of the special rules into the rules of practice and procedure merited serious consideration. Traditionally, special rules of practice have been issued for application during omnibus rate cases, but more recently similar rules have been utilized in classification and complaint dockets as well. The Commission further indicated that an assessment of ways to reduce costs inherent in the service of documents be undertaken. Thus, consideration of the extent to which electronic filing requirements or options can be added is warranted. Finally, the Commission noted that the use of surveys and the Postal Service's filing of pro forma financial data, two recently adopted revisions, worked reasonably well during the last omnibus rate case.

Five sets of comments suggesting improvements were received. The comments are available for public inspection in the Commission's docket section, and can be accessed electronically at www.prc.gov. Generally, the comments do not oppose the integration of the special rules of practice into the current rules of practice and procedure, suggest a mixed