

Further Revised Annuity Employee (FERS–FRAE). Employees subject to FERS–FRAE coverage must pay even higher employee contributions than employees subject to FERS–RAE.

Employees subject to FERS–FRAE must pay an increase of 1.30 percent of pay above the percentage set for FERS–RAE. Separate normal cost percentages apply for FERS–RAE and for FERS–FRAE.

The Governmentwide normal cost percentages, including the employee contributions, are as follows:

NORMAL COST PERCENTAGES FOR FERS, FERS-REVISED ANNUITY EMPLOYEE (RAE), AND FERS-FURTHER REVISED ANNUITY (FRAE) GROUPS

| Group | FERS normal cost (percent) | FERS–RAE normal cost (percent) | FERS–FRAE normal cost (percent) |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Members | 22.1 | 15.0 | 15.1 |
| Congressional employees, except members of the Capitol Police | 20.4 | 15.0 | 15.1 |
| Congressional employees who are members of the Capitol Police | 20.4 | 20.9 | 21.0 |
| Law enforcement officers, members of the Supreme Court Police, firefighters, nuclear materials couriers, customs and border protection officers, and employees under section 302 of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act of 1964 for certain employees | 31.4 | 32.0 | 32.1 |
| Air traffic controllers | 33.1 | 33.7 | 33.7 |
| Military reserve technicians | 18.1 | 18.5 | 18.7 |
| Employees under section 303 of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act of 1964 for certain employees (when serving abroad) | 20.3 | 20.9 | 21.0 |
| All other regular FERS employees | 14.5 | 15.0 | 15.1 |

Under section 841.408 of title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, these normal cost percentages are effective at the beginning of the first pay period commencing on or after October 1, 2015.

The time limit and address for filing agency appeals under sections 841.409 through 841.412 of title 5, Code of Federal Regulations, are stated in the **DATES** and **ADDRESSES** sections of this notice.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Katherine Archuleta,
Director.

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL
MANAGEMENT**

Excepted Service

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice identifies Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency that were established or revoked from January 1, 2015, to January 31, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Senior Executive Resources Services, Senior Executive Services and Performance Management, Employee Services, (202) 606–2246.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 5 CFR 213.103, Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities available for use by all agencies are codified in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency are not codified in the CFR, but the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) publishes a notice of agency-specific authorities established or revoked each

month in the **Federal Register** at www.gpo.gov/fdsys/. OPM also publishes an annual notice of the consolidated listing of all Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities, current as of June 30, in the **Federal Register**.

Schedule A

No Schedule A Authorities to report during January 2015.

Schedule B

No Schedule B authorities to report during January 2015.

Schedule C

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were approved during January 2015.

| Agency name | Organization name | Position title | Authorization No. | Effective date |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|-------------------|----------------|
| Department of Agriculture | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations. | Senior Legislative Analyst | DA150035 | 1/15/2015 |
| | Office of Communications | Deputy Director | DA150041 | 1/20/2015 |
| Department of Commerce | Office of the Chief of Staff | Director of Advance and Protocol .. | DC150043 | 1/15/2015 |
| Consumer Product Safety Commission. | Office of Commissioners | Special Assistant (Legal) | PS150002 | 1/22/2015 |
| Department of Defense | Washington Headquarters Services | Defense Fellow | DD150035 | 1/7/2015 |
| | Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs). | Special Assistant (Legislative Affairs) (Chief Policy). | DD150045 | 1/23/2015 |
| Department of the Army | Office of the Under Secretary | Special Assistant | DW150012 | 1/28/2015 |
| Export-Import Bank | Office of the Chairman | Director of Scheduling | EB150001 | 1/23/2015 |
| Department of Homeland Security .. | Federal Emergency Management Agency. | Special Assistant | DM150049 | 1/7/2015 |
| | Office of the Chief of Staff | Special Assistant | DM150050 | 1/20/2015 |

| Agency name | Organization name | Position title | Authorization No. | Effective date |
|---|---|--|-------------------|----------------|
| Department of Housing and Urban Development. Department of Justice | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy. | Special Assistant In Information Sharing Policy. | DM150051 | 1/20/2015 |
| | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy. | Special Assistant (3) | DM150052 | 1/20/2015 |
| | | | DM150053 | 1/20/2015 |
| | | | DM150056 | 1/23/2015 |
| | Office of Public Affairs | Deputy Speechwriter | DU150020 | 1/23/2015 |
| | | Deputy Press Secretary | DU150015 | 1/2/2015 |
| | Office of Legislative Affairs | Attorney Advisor and Intergovernmental Liaison. | DJ150011 | 1/6/2015 |
| | Office of the Associate Attorney General. | Senior Counsel | DJ140130 | 1/16/2015 |
| | Community Relations Service | Deputy Director (Civil) | DJ150034 | 1/21/2015 |
| | Office of the Attorney General | Senior Counsel | DJ150032 | 1/16/2015 |
| Department of Labor | Wage and Hour Division | Confidential Assistant | DJ150033 | 1/16/2015 |
| Office of National Drug Control Policy. | Office of the Director | Senior Policy Advisor | DL150025 | 1/23/2015 |
| Office of Science and Technology Policy. | | Policy and Administrative Coordinator. | QQ150002 | 1/20/2015 |
| Office of the United States Trade Representative. | Office of Science and Technology Policy. | Confidential Assistant | TS150004 | 1/6/2015 |
| | Office of the Ambassador | Special Assistant (2) | TN150002 | 1/20/2015 |
| | | | TN150003 | 1/6/2015 |
| | Office of Congressional Affairs | Senior Advisor | TN150008 | 1/20/2015 |
| | Office of Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Liaison. | Director for Private Sector Engagement. | TN150004 | 1/27/2015 |
| Small Business Administration | Office of the Administrator | Confidential Assistant | SB150012 | 1/23/2015 |
| Department of State | Office of the Chief of Protocol | Protocol Officer (Ceremonials) | DS150020 | 1/23/2015 |
| | Office of the Deputy Secretary | Senior Advisor | DS150021 | 1/23/2015 |
| | | Staff Assistant | DS150022 | 1/23/2015 |
| | | Staff Assistant | DS150032 | 1/23/2015 |
| Department of Transportation | Office of the Secretary | Deputy Press Secretary | DT150017 | 1/2/2015 |
| | Office of the Secretary (Public Affairs). | Director of Strategic Communications. | DT150021 | 1/6/2015 |
| | | Chief Speechwriter | DT150019 | 1/7/2015 |
| | | Press Secretary and Senior Media Advisor. | DT150025 | 1/23/2015 |
| | National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. | Director of Communications | DT150018 | 1/2/2015 |
| Department of the Treasury | Office of Assistant Secretary (Management). | Special Assistant | DY150029 | 1/23/2015 |
| | Office of Assistant Secretary (Legislative Affairs). | Special Assistant | DY150030 | 1/23/2015 |

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were revoked during January 2015.

| Agency name | Organization name | Position title | Authorization No. | Vacate date |
|------------------------------------|--|--|-------------------|-------------|
| Department of Agriculture | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations. | Legislative Director | DA150001 | 1/24/15 |
| Department of the Army | Office of Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations and Environment). | Special Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations and Environments). | DW120035 | 1/3/15 |
| Department of Education | Office of Innovation and Improvement. | Senior Advisor for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. | DB140056 | 1/2/15 |
| | Office of Communications and Outreach. | Deputy Assistant Secretary for External Affairs and Outreach Services. | DB090074 | 1/9/15 |
| Department of Homeland Security .. | United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement. | Congressional Relations Director ... | DM140099 | 1/23/15 |
| | Office of the Under Secretary for Protection and Programs Directorate. | Cyber Security Strategist | DM140216 | 1/31/15 |
| Department of Justice | Office of Intergovernmental and Public Liaison. | Associate Director | DJ110043 | 1/10/15 |
| | Office of the Associate Attorney General. | Counsel | DJ100169 | 1/24/15 |

| Agency name | Organization name | Position title | Authorization No. | Vacate date |
|------------------------------------|---|--|-------------------|-------------|
| Department of Transportation | Office of the Attorney General | Confidential Assistant | DJ090123 | 1/31/15 |
| | Bureau of Public Affairs | Supervisory Public Affairs Specialist. | DS140062 | 1/19/15 |
| | Office of the Secretary (Public Affairs). | Speechwriter | DT140001 | 1/10/15 |

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 3301 and 3302; E.O. 10577, 3 CFR, 1954–1958 Comp., p. 218.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Katherine Archuleta,
Director.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: March 30, 2015, at 11 a.m.

PLACE: Commission hearing room, 901 New York Avenue NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20268–0001.

STATUS: The Postal Regulatory Commission will hold a public meeting to discuss the agenda items outlined below. Part of the meeting will be open to the public as well as audiocast, and the audiocast may be accessed via the Commission's Web site at <http://www.prc.gov>. Part of the meeting will be closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The agenda for the Commission's March 30, 2015 meeting includes the items identified below.

PORTIONS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

1. Report from the Office of Public Affairs and Government Relations.
2. Report from the Office of General Counsel.
3. Report from the Office of Accountability and Compliance.

PORTIONS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC:

4. Discussion of pending litigation.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

David A. Trissell, General Counsel, Postal Regulatory Commission, 901 New York Avenue NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20268–0001, at 202–789–6820 (for agenda-related inquiries) and Shoshana M. Grove, Secretary of the Commission, at 202–789–6800 or shoshana.grove@prc.gov (for inquiries related to meeting location, changes in date or time of the meeting, access for handicapped or disabled persons, the audiocast, or similar matters). The Commission's Web site may also provide information on changes in the date or time of the meeting.

By direction of the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove,
Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request Copies Available From: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE., Washington, DC 20549–2736.

Extension:

Rule 17g–5, SEC File. No. 270–581, OMB Control No. 3235–0649.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (“PRA”) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 17g–5 (17 CFR 240.17g–5) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*) (“Exchange Act”). The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) for extension and approval.

The Credit Rating Agency Reform Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 109–291) (“Rating Agency Act”), enacted on September 29, 2006, defines the term “nationally recognized statistical rating organization,” or “NRSRO” and provides authority for the Commission to implement registration, recordkeeping, financial reporting, and oversight rules with respect to registered credit rating agencies. The Rating Agency Act added a new section 15E, “Registration of Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations” (15 U.S.C. 78o–7) to the Exchange Act. Exchange Act section 15E(h)(2) provides the Commission with authority to prohibit, or require the management and disclosure of, any potential conflict of interest relating to the issuance of credit ratings by an NRSRO (15 U.S.C. 78o–7(h)(2)).

The Commission adopted, and subsequently amended, Rule 17g–5 pursuant, in part, to section 15E(h)(2) of the Exchange Act.¹ Rule 17g–5 requires the disclosure of and establishment of procedures to manage certain NRSRO conflicts of interest, prohibits certain other NRSRO conflicts of interest, and contains requirements regarding the disclosure of information in the case of the conflict of interest of an NRSRO issuing or maintaining a credit rating on an asset-backed security that was paid for by the issuer, sponsor, or underwriter of the security.

On August 27, 2014, the Commission adopted amendments to Rule 17g–5.² The amendments modified the collection of information included in Rule 17g–5 in three ways. First, the Commission added paragraph (a)(3)(iii)(E) to Rule 17g–5 to require an NRSRO to obtain a representation from the issuer, sponsor, or underwriter of an asset-backed security that the issuer, sponsor, or underwriter will post on the Web site referred to in paragraph (a)(3)(iii) of Rule 17g–5 (“Rule 17g–5 Web site”), promptly after receipt, any executed Form ABS Due Diligence-15E delivered by a person employed to provide third-party due diligence services with respect to the security or money market instrument.

Second, the Commission added paragraph (c)(8) to Rule 17g–5 to prohibit an NRSRO from issuing or maintaining a credit rating where a person within the NRSRO who participates in determining or monitoring the credit rating, or developing or approving procedures or methodologies used for determining the

¹ See *Oversight of Credit Rating Agencies Registered as Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations*, Exchange Act Release No. 55857 (June 5, 2007), 72 FR 33564, 33595–33599 (June 18, 2007); *Amendments to Rules for Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations*, Exchange Act Release No. 59342 (Feb. 2, 2009) 74 FR 6456, 6465–6469 (Feb. 9, 2009); and *Amendments to Rules for Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations*, Exchange Act Release No. 61050 (Nov. 23, 2009), 74 FR 63832, 63842–63850 (Dec. 4, 2009).

² See *Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organizations*, Exchange Act Release No. 72936 (August 27, 2014), 79 FR 55078, 55107–55194 (Sept. 15, 2014) (“Adopting Release”).