

REVISED TABLE 3.13.—CROWNPOINT SITE WATER QUALITY DATA,^a WESTWATER CANYON AQUIFER

Parameter	Mean (mg/L)	Maximum (mg/L)	Minimum (mg/L)	EPA (and NNEPA) drinking water stand- ard
Calcium	2.73	7.8	0.07	.....
Magnesium	0.48	2.5	0.00000	.....
Sodium	127.7	184.0	97.0	.....
Potassium	13.0	56.0	1.5	.....
Carbonate	27.9	127.0	0.00000	.....
Bicarbonate	203.0	260.0	54.0	.....
Sulfate	62.2	177.0	19.0	250.0
Chloride	15.8	54.0	1.8	250.0
Nitrate	0.05	0.26	0.00000	10.0
Fluoride	0.35	0.62	0.23	4.0 or 2.0
Silica	16.3	20.0	1.0	.....
TDS	394.0	666.0	281.0	500.0
Conductivity ^b	602.3	1040.0	418.0	.....
Alkalinity	213.0	256.0	191.0	.....
pH ^c	9.0	10.4	8.26	6.5–8.5
Arsenic	0.00000	0.002	0.00000	0.05
Barium	0.13	1.0	0.01	2.0
Cadmium	0.00000	0.0008	0.00000	0.01
Chromium	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.05
Copper	0.00000	0.02	0.00000	1.0
Iron	0.11	0.92	0.00000	0.3
Lead	0.00000	0.078	0.00000	0.05
Manganese	0.035	0.029	0.00000	0.05
Mercury	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.002
Molybdenum	0.00000	0.02	0.00000	.....
Nickel	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.1
Selenium	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.05
Silver	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.1
Uranium	0.005	0.021	0.00000	.....
Vanadium	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	.....
Zinc	0.00000	0.03	0.00000	5.0
Boron	0.05	0.11	0.00000	.....
Ammonia	0.05	0.31	.....	.....
Radium-226 ^d	58.7	806.0	0.1	5.0

^a Values obtained from Wells CP-3, CP-5, CP-6, CP-7, CP-9, and well CP-2 (for parameters from arsenic to radium-226, (Source: HRI 1992b).

^b $\mu\text{mhos/cm}$.

^c Units.

^d pCi/L.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DATE: Weeks of November 17, 24, December 1 and 8, 1997.

PLACE: Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

STATUS: Public and Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Week of November 17

Friday, November 21

11:30 a.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting). A. Final Rule—Deliberate Misconduct by Unlicensed Persons

(Tentative) (Contact: Ken Hart, 301-415-1659)

Week of November 24—Tentative

There are no meetings the week of November 24.

Week of December 1—Tentative

There are no meetings the week of December 1.

Week of December 8—Tentative

Thursday, December 11

2:00 p.m. Briefing on Investigative Matters (Closed—Ex. 5 & 7)

3:00 p.m. Affirmation Session (Public Meeting) (if needed)

Friday, December 12

9:00 a.m. Meeting with Northeast Nuclear on Millstone (Public Meeting) (Contact: Bill Travers, 301-415-1200)

The schedule for commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings call (recording)—(301) 415-1292.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Bill Hill (301) 415-1661.

The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/SECY/smj/schedule.htm>

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Dated: November 14, 1997.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

1998 Railroad Experience Rating Proclamations, Monthly Compensation Base and Other Determinations

AGENCY: Railroad Retirement Board.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 8(c)(2) and section 12(r)(3) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (Act) (45 U.S.C. 358(c)(2) and 45 U.S.C. 362(r)(3), respectively), the Board gives notice of the following:

1. The balance to the credit of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance (RUI) Account, as of June 30, 1997, is \$83,062,894.58;
2. The September 30, 1997, balance of any new loans to the RUI Account, including accrued interest, is zero;
3. The system compensation base is \$2,754,953,781.58 as of June 30, 1997;
4. The cumulative system unallocated charge balance is (\$194,812,974.38) as of June 30, 1997;
5. The pooled credit ratio for calendar year 1998 is zero;
6. The pooled charged ratio for calendar year 1998 is zero;
7. The surcharge rate for calendar year 1998 is 1.5 percent;
8. The monthly compensation base under section 1(i) of the Act is \$925 for months in calendar year 1998;
9. The amount described in section 1(k) of the Act as "2.5 times the monthly compensation base" is \$2,312.50 for base year (calendar year) 1998;
10. The amount described in section 2(c) of the Act as "an amount that bears the same ratio to \$775 as the monthly compensation base for that year as computed under section 1(i) of this Act bears to \$600" is \$1,195 for months in calendar year 1998;
11. The amount described in section 3 of the Act as "2.5 times the monthly compensation base" is \$2,312.50 for base year (calendar year) 1998;
12. The amount described in section 4(a-2)(i)(A) of the Act as "2.5 times the monthly compensation base" is \$2,312.50 with respect to disqualifications ending in calendar year 1998;
13. The maximum daily benefit rate under section 2(a)(3) of the Act is \$44 with respect to days of unemployment and days of sickness in registration periods beginning after June 30, 1998.

DATES: The balance in notice (1) and the determinations made in notices (3) through (7) are based on data as of June 30, 1997. The balance in notice (2) is based on data as of September 30, 1997. The determinations made in notices (5) through (7) apply to the calculation, under section 8(a)(1)(C) of the Act, of employer contribution rates for 1998. The determinations made in notices (8) through (12) are effective January 1, 1998. The determination made in notice (13) is effective for registration periods beginning after June 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Secretary to the Board, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marla L. Huddleston, Bureau of the Actuary, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092, telephone (312) 751-4779.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The RRB is required by section 8(c)(1) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (Act) (45 U.S.C. 358(c)(1)) as amended by Pub. L. 100-647, to proclaim by October 15 of each year certain system-wide factors used in calculating experience-based employer contribution rates for the following year. The RRB is further required by section 8(c)(2) of the Act (45 U.S.C. 358(c)(2)) to publish the amounts so determined and proclaimed. The RRB is required by section 12(r)(3) of the Act (45 U.S.C. 362(r)(3)) to publish by December 11, 1997, the computation of the calendar year 1998 monthly compensation base (section 1(i) of the Act) and amounts described in sections 1(k), 2(c), 3 and 4(a-2)(i)(A) of the Act which are related to changes in the monthly compensation base. Also, the RRB is required to publish, by June 11, 1998, the maximum daily benefit rate under section 2(a)(3) of the Act for days of unemployment and days of sickness in registration periods beginning after June 30, 1998.

Surcharge Rate

A surcharge is added in the calculation of each employer's contribution rate, subject to the applicable maximum rate, for a calendar year whenever the balance to the credit of the RUI Account is less than \$100 million on the preceding June 30. If the RUI Account balance is less than \$100 million, but at least \$50 million, the surcharge will be 1.5 percent. If the RUI Account balance is less than \$50 million, but greater than zero, the surcharge will be 2.5 percent. The maximum surcharge of 3.5 percent applies if the RUI Account balance is less than zero.

The Account balance on June 30, 1997, was \$83,062,894.58. Accordingly, the surcharge rate for calendar year 1998 is 1.5 percent.

Monthly Compensation Base

For years after 1988, section 1(i) of the Act contains a formula for determining the monthly compensation base. Under the prescribed formula, the monthly compensation base increases by approximately two-thirds of the cumulative growth in average national wages since 1984. The monthly compensation base for months in calendar year 1998 shall be equal to the greater of (a) \$600 or (b) \$600 $[1 + \{(A - 37,800)/56,700\}]$, where A equals the amount of the applicable base with respect to tier 1 taxes for 1998 under section 3231(e)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Section 1(i) further provides that if the amount so determined is not a multiple of \$5, it shall be rounded to the nearest multiple of \$5.

The calendar year 1998 tier 1 tax base is \$68,400. Subtracting \$37,800 from \$68,400 produces \$30,600. Dividing \$30,600 by \$56,700 yields a ratio of 0.53968254. Adding one gives 1.53968254. Multiplying \$600 by the amount 1.53968254 produces the amount of \$923.81, which must then be rounded to \$925. Accordingly, the monthly compensation base is determined to be \$925 for months in calendar year 1998.

Amounts Related to Changes in Monthly Compensation Base

For years after 1988, sections 1(k), 2(c), 3 and 4(a-2)(i)(A) of the Act contain formulas for determining amounts related to the monthly compensation base.

Under section 1(k), remuneration earned from employment covered under the Act cannot be considered subsidiary remuneration if the employee's base year compensation is less than 2.5 times the monthly compensation base for months in such base year. Multiplying 2.5 by the calendar year 1998 monthly compensation base of \$925 produces \$2,312.50. Accordingly, the amount determined under section 1(k) is \$2,312.50 for calendar year 1998.

Under section 2(c), the maximum amount of normal benefits paid for days of unemployment within a benefit year and the maximum amount of normal benefits paid for days of sickness within a benefit year shall not exceed an employee's compensation in the base year. In determining an employee's base year compensation, any money remuneration in a month not in excess of an amount that bears the same ratio