

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until April 10, 2014. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.1.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management Budget, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of Personnel Management or sent by email to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov) or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management Budget, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of Personnel Management or sent by email to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov) or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Civilian Service Recognition Act of 2011 (Pub. L. 112-73) authorizes an agency to furnish a United States flag on behalf of an employee who dies of injuries incurred in connection with his/her employment under specified circumstances. OPM is issuing guidance and final regulations to implement the

Civilian Service Recognition Act of 2011. The guidance and regulations will assist agencies in administering a United States flag recognition benefit for fallen Federal civilian employees. The guidance and regulations describe the eligibility requirements and procedures to request a flag.

OPM Form OPM 1825, Application for U.S. Flag Recognition Benefit for Deceased Federal Civilian Employees, may be used to determine deceased Federal employee and beneficiary (e.g., family member of a deceased employee) eligibility for issuance of a U.S. flag. The form may be used by any Federal entity and use of the form is at agency discretion. Agencies equipped to accept electronic signatures may use an electronic version of the form.

**Analysis**

*Agency:* Office of Personnel Management.

*Title:* Application for U.S. Flag Recognition Benefit for Deceased Federal Civilian Employees.

*OMB Number:* 3206-NEW.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Number of Respondents:* 10.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 10 minutes.

*Total Burden Hours:* 2 hours.

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, 2014 to January 31, 2014.

**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 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/](http://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 2014.

**Schedule B**

No Schedule B authorities to report during January 2014.

**Schedule C**

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were approved during January 2014.

| Agency name                           | Organization name  | Position title                             | Authorization No. | Effective date |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|-------------------|----------------|
| Department of Agriculture .....       | Foreign Agricultural Service .....   | Confidential Assistant .....               | DA140023          | 1/13/2014      |
|                                       | Farm Service Agency .....  | State Executive Director .....             | DA140024          | 1/13/2014      |
|                                       | Office of Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment.             | Special Assistant .....                    | DA140025          | 1/13/2014      |
| Department of Commerce .....          | Office of the Under Secretary .....  | Senior Advisor .....                       | DC140021          | 1/3/2014       |
|                                       |  | Special Assistant .....                    | DC140049          | 1/30/2014      |
|                                       | Office of Public Affairs .....   | Deputy Director of Public Affairs ..       | DC140023          | 1/9/2014       |
|                                       | Office of Assistant Secretary for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs. | Associate Director of Legislative Affairs. | DC140024          | 1/9/2014       |
| Commodity Futures Trading Commission. | Office of the Chief of Staff .....   | Confidential Assistant .....               | DC140031          | 1/14/2014      |
|                                       | Office of the Chairperson .....  | Executive Assistant .....                  | CT140002          | 1/16/2014      |
| Department of Defense .....           | Washington Headquarters Services.  | Defense Fellow .....                       | DD140019          | 1/13/2014      |
| Department of Energy .....            | National Nuclear Security Administration.                                    | Deputy Press Secretary .....               | DE140022          | 1/15/2014      |
| Federal Housing Finance Agency        | Office of the Director .....   | Executive Advisor/Chief of Staff ...       | HA140001          | 1/7/2014       |

| Agency name                                       | Organization name   | Position title  | Authorization No. | Effective date |
|---|---|---|-------------------|----------------|
|   |   | Special Advisor on Strategic Decisions and Governmental Agency Relations.         | HA140002          | 1/13/2014      |
|   |   | Special Advisor on Strategic Decisions and Industry Relations.                    | HA140004          | 1/13/2014      |
| Federal Trade Commission .....                    | Office of the Chairman .....  | Director, Office of Public Affairs ...  | FT140005          | 1/13/2014      |
| General Services Administration ...               | Mid-Atlantic Region .....   | Special Assistant .....   | GS140005          | 1/14/2014      |
| Department of Health and Human Services.          | Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs.                               | Special Assistant .....   | DH140017          | 1/2/2014       |
|   | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health.                                   | Special Assistant .....   | DH140020          | 1/10/2014      |
|   | Office of the Secretary .....   | Special Assistant .....   | DH140019          | 1/24/2014      |
| Department of Homeland Security                   | Office of the Chief of Staff .....  | Deputy White House Liaison .....  | DM140031          | 1/8/2014       |
|   | Office of the Under Secretary for National Protection and Programs Directorate. | Confidential Assistant .....  | DM140032          | 1/23/2014      |
|   | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs.                           | Strategic Communications Liaison  | DM140027          | 1/27/2014      |
|   | Office of the Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis.                    | Special Advisor .....   | DM140043          | 1/27/2014      |
| Department of the Interior .....                  | Bureau of Land Management .....   | Advisor .....   | DI140012          | 1/24/2014      |
|   | Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.  | Advisor .....   | DI140015          | 1/30/2014      |
| Department of Justice .....                       | Office on Violence Against Women.   | Program Specialist .....  | DJ140020          | 1/10/2014      |
|   | Office of Public Affairs .....  | Deputy Director .....   | DJ140023          | 1/23/2014      |
| Department of Labor .....                         | Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs.                          | Senior Legislative Officer .....  | DL140013          | 1/14/2014      |
| National Aeronautics and Space Administration.    | Office of Communications .....  | Special Assistant .....   | NN140012          | 1/16/2014      |
| National Transportation Safety Board.             | Office of Board Members .....   | Special Assistant .....   | TB140001          | 1/16/2014      |
| Office of the United States Trade Representative. | Office of the United States Trade Representative.                               | Deputy Assistant United States Trade Representative for Public and Media Affairs. | TN140002          | 1/9/2014       |
| Small Business Administration .....               | Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs.                                | Deputy Assistant Administrator for Congressional and Legislative Affairs.         | SB140006          | 1/9/2014       |
|   | Office of the General Counsel .....   | Deputy General Counsel .....  | SB140007          | 1/31/2014      |
| Department of State .....                         | Office of the Global Women's Issues.  | Staff Assistant .....   | DS140023          | 1/15/2014      |
|   | Office of the Secretary .....   | Senior Advisor .....  | DS140022          | 1/16/2014      |
|   |   | Staff Assistant .....   | DS140016          | 1/24/2014      |
|   | Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs.                                       | Staff Assistant .....   | DS140025          | 1/16/2014      |
|   | Bureau for Education and Cultural Affairs.                                      | Special Assistant .....   | DS140012          | 1/17/2014      |
|   | Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs.   | Deputy Assistant Secretary .....  | DS140027          | 1/17/2014      |
|   | Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs.  | Staff Assistant .....   | DS140053          | 1/29/2014      |
| Department of Transportation .....                | Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs.                                   | Director of Governmental Affairs ..   | DT140012          | 1/9/2014       |
|   | Office of the Secretary .....   | Associate Director for Scheduling and Advance (2).                                | DT140013          | 1/9/2014       |
|   |   | Senior Policy Advisor .....   | DT140014          | 1/9/2014       |
|   | Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy.                                  | Senior Policy Advisor .....   | DT140015          | 1/13/2014      |
|   | Secretary .....   | Special Assistant for Scheduling and Advance.                                     | DT140016          | 1/24/2014      |
| Department of the Treasury .....                  | Secretary of the Treasury .....   | Deputy Executive Secretary .....  | DY140030          | 1/9/2014       |
|   |   | Deputy White House Liaison .....  | DY140032          | 1/22/2014      |
|   | Assistant Secretary (Economic Policy).  | Special Assistant .....   | DY140033          | 1/22/2014      |

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were revoked during January 2014.

| Agency                                       | Organization  | Position title                                | Authorization No. | Vacate date |
|--|---|---|-------------------|-------------|
| Department of Agriculture .....              | Farm Service Agency .....   | State Executive Director—Louisiana.           | DA130208          | 1/3/2014    |
| Department of Commerce .....                 | Office of the Deputy Secretary .....  | Special Assistant .....                       | DA120008          | 1/12/2014   |
|  |   | Special Advisor .....                         | DC120035          | 1/6/2014    |
|  |   | Senior Advisor .....                          | DC120157          | 1/7/2014    |
| Department of Education .....                | Office of the Chief of Staff .....  | Confidential Assistant .....                  | DC120152          | 1/14/2014   |
|  | Office of the Deputy Secretary .....  | Confidential Assistant .....                  | DB100023          | 1/6/2014    |
|  | Office for Civil Rights .....   | Confidential Assistant .....                  | DB120030          | 1/8/2014    |
| Department of Health and Human Services.     | Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health.                                   | Confidential Assistant .....                  | DH120132          | 1/11/2014   |
| Department of Homeland Security              | Office of the Under Secretary for National Protection and Programs Directorate. | Confidential Assistant .....                  | DM120123          | 1/10/2014   |
|  | Office of the Chief of Staff .....  | Deputy White House Liaison .....              | DM120075          | 1/11/2014   |
| Department of Housing and Urban Development. | Office of the Secretary .....   | Financial Analyst for Housing Finance.        | DU120025          | 1/10/2014   |
|  | Office of Housing .....   | Program Analyst .....                         | DU110033          | 1/25/2014   |
| Department of Justice .....                  | Office on Violence Against Women.   | Special Assistant .....                       | DJ120030          | 1/11/2014   |
|  | Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs.                          | Senior Legislative Officer .....              | DL130014          | 1/10/2014   |
| Department of the Interior .....             | Office of the Deputy Secretary .....  | Counselor to the Deputy Secretary             | DI120035          | 1/21/2014   |
| Department of Transportation .....           | Secretary .....   | Special Assistant for Scheduling and Advance. | DT120066          | 1/11/2014   |
|  |   | Scheduler .....                               | DT130033          | 1/11/2014   |
|  |   | Associate Director for Transportation Policy. | DT120024          | 1/25/2014   |
|  |   | Senior Advisor .....                          | EB110007          | 1/23/2014   |
| Export-Import Bank .....                     | Office of Communications .....  | Congressional Liaison .....                   | NA090003          | 1/4/2014    |
| National Endowment for the Arts ..           | National Endowment for the Arts ..  | Special Assistant .....                       | TB100002          | 1/3/2014    |
| National Transportation Safety Board.        | Office of Board Members .....   |   |                   |             |
| Office of the Secretary of Defense           | Washington Headquarters Services.   | Defense Fellow .....                          | DD130080          | 1/25/2014   |

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

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**Katherine Archuleta,**

*Director.*

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**

**January 2014 Pay Schedules**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The President has signed an Executive Order containing the 2014 pay schedules for certain Federal civilian employees. Pursuant to the President’s alternative plan issued under 5 U.S.C. 5303(b) and 5304(a) on August 30, 2013, the Executive Order authorizes a one percent across-the-board increase for statutory pay systems and provides that locality percentages remain at 2013 levels. This notice serves as documentation for the public record.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lisa Dismond, Pay and Leave, Employee Services, U.S. Office of Personnel

Management; (202) 606–2858 or pay-leave-policy@opm.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On December 23, 2013, the President signed Executive Order 13655 (78 FR 80451), which implemented the January 2014 pay adjustments. The Executive Order provides an across-the-board increase of one percent in the rates of basic pay for the statutory pay systems.

The publication of this notice satisfies the requirement in section 5(b) of Executive Order 13655 that the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) publish appropriate notice of the 2014 locality payments in the **Federal Register**.

Schedule 1 of Executive Order 13655 provides the rates for the 2014 General Schedule (GS) and reflects a one percent increase from 2013. Executive Order 13655 also includes the percentage amounts of the 2014 locality payments, which remain at 2013 levels. (See Section 5 and Schedule 9 of Executive Order 13655.)

GS employees receive locality payments under 5 U.S.C. 5304. Locality payments apply in the United States (as defined in 5 U.S.C. 5921(4)) and its territories and possessions. In 2014, locality payments ranging from 14.16

percent to 35.15 percent apply to GS employees in the 34 locality pay areas. The 2014 locality pay area definitions can be found at: <http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/salaries-wages/2014/locality-pay-area-definitions/>.

The 2014 locality pay percentages became effective on the first day of the first pay period beginning on or after January 1, 2014 (January 12, 2014). An employee’s locality rate of pay is computed by increasing his or her scheduled annual rate of pay (as defined in 5 CFR 531.602) by the applicable locality pay percentage. (See 5 CFR 531.604 and 531.609.)

Executive Order 13655 establishes the new Executive Schedule (EX), which incorporates a one percent increase required under 5 U.S.C. 5318 (rounded to the nearest \$100). By law, Executive Schedule officials are not authorized to receive locality payments.

Executive Order 13655 establishes the 2014 range of rates of basic pay for members of the Senior Executive Service (SES) under 5 U.S.C. 5382. The minimum rate of basic pay for the SES is \$120,749 in 2014. The maximum rate of the SES rate range is \$181,500 (level II of the Executive Schedule) for SES members who are covered by a certified