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TITLE 5—ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL

Chapter I—Civil Service Commission

PART 6—EXCEPTIONS FROM THE COMPETITIVE SERVICE

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

Effective upon publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER, §§ 6.114 (a) (1) 6.142 (b) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (7) (8) (9) (11) (14), (15) and (16) and 6.312 (c) are revoked; the headnote of § 6.312 (e) is amended to read "Business and Defense Services Administration"—paragraph (j) is added to § 6.112; subparagraph (2) is amended and subparagraph (3) added to § 6.310 (j), subparagraphs (4) through (13) are added to § 6.312 (e) subparagraphs (3) and (4) are added to § 6.314 (a) and paragraph (d) is added to § 6.342.

§ 6.112 *Department of Commerce.* * * *

(j) *Business and Defense Services Administration.* (1) The Director of each of the following industry divisions: Agricultural, Construction and Mining Equipment Division; Aluminum and Magnesium Division; Automotive Division; Building Materials and Construction Division; Business Machines and Office Equipment Division; Chemical and Rubber Division; Communications Equipment Division; Consumer Durable Goods Division; Containers and Packaging Division; Copper Division; Electrical Equipment Division; Electronics Division; Food Industries Division; Forest Products Division; General Components Division; General Industrial Equipment Division; Iron and Steel Division; Leather, Shoes and Allied Products Division; Metalworking Equipment Division; Miscellaneous Metals and Minerals Division; Power Equipment Division; Scientific, Motion Picture and Photographic Products Division; Shipbuilding, Railroad, Ordnance and Aircraft Division; Textiles and Clothing Division; and; Water and Sewage Industries and Utilities Division.

§ 6.310 *Department of the Interior* * * *

(j) *Bureau of Indian Affairs.* * * *
(2) Director, Program Division.

(3) Three Assistants to the Commissioner.

§ 6.312 *Department of Commerce.*

(e) *Business and Defense Services Administration.* * * *

(4) Administrator.

(5) Two Confidential Assistants to the Administrator.

(6) One Private Secretary to the Administrator.

(7) Deputy Administrator.

(8) One Private Secretary to the Deputy Administrator.

(9) One Confidential Assistant to the Deputy Administrator.

(10) Three Assistant Administrators.

(11) One Confidential Assistant or Private Secretary to each of the three Assistant Administrators.

(12) One Assistant Deputy Administrator.

(13) One Private Secretary to the Assistant Deputy Administrator.

§ 6.314 *Executive Office of the President—(a) Bureau of the Budget.* * * *

(3) One Private Secretary to the Director.

(4) One Private Secretary to the Deputy Director.

§ 6.342 *Housing and Home Finance Agency.* * * *

(d) *Home Loan Bank Board.* (1) One Assistant to the Board.

(2) One Director, Federal Home Loan Bank Operations.

(3) One General Counsel.

(4) One Chief Supervisor.

(5) One Secretary to the Chairman of the Board.

(6) Two Secretaries to Board Members.

(7) One General Manager, Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation.

(R. S. 1753, sec. 2, 22 Stat. 403; 5 U. S. C. 631, 633. E. O. 10440, Mar. 31, 1953, 18 F. R. 1823)

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,

[SEAL] Wm. C. HULL,
Executive Assistant.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10077; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:43 a. m.]

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TITLE 7—AGRICULTURE

Chapter VII—Production and Marketing Administration (Agricultural Adjustment), Department of Agriculture

PART 725—BURLEY AND FLUE-CURED TOBACCO

PROCLAMATION OF NATIONAL MARKETING QUOTAS FOR THE 1954-55 MARKETING YEAR AND APPORTIONMENT OF THE QUOTAS AMONG THE SEVERAL STATES

- Sec. 725.501 Basis and purpose.
- 725.502 Findings and determinations with respect to the national marketing quota for Burley tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954.
- 725.503 Findings and determinations with respect to the national marketing quota for flue-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning July 1, 1954.

AUTHORITY: §§ 725.501 to 725.503 issued under sec. 375, 52 Stat. 66; 7 U. S. C. 1375. Interpret or apply secs. 301, 312, 313, 52 Stat. 38, as amended; 7 U. S. C. 1301, 1312, 1313.

§ 725.501 *Basis and purpose.* (a) Sections 725.501 to 725.503 are issued (1) to announce the reserve supply level and the total supply of Burley tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1953, and to establish the amount of the national marketing quota for Burley tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954; (2) to announce the reserve supply level and the total supply of flue-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning July 1, 1953, and to establish the amount of the national marketing quota for flue-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning July 1, 1954; and (3) to apportion the national marketing quotas among the several States. The findings and determinations contained in §§ 725.501 to 725.503 have been made on the basis of the latest available statistics of the Federal Government, and after due consideration of data, views and recommendations received from Burley and flue-cured tobacco producers and others as provided in a notice (18 F. R. 6592) given in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U. S. C. 1003)

(b) Since Burley and flue-cured tobacco growers are now planning their farming operations for 1954, are purchasing fertilizer, and preparing the land to which tobacco will be transplanted, it is imperative that they be notified as soon as possible of their 1954 acreage allotments and farm marketing quotas. Therefore, it is hereby determined that compliance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act with respect to the effective date is contrary to the public interest, and that the proclamation and apportionment of the national marketing quotas contained herein shall become effective upon the date of their publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

§ 725.502 *Findings and determinations with respect to the national marketing quota for Burley tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1,*

1954¹—(a) *Reserve supply level.* The reserve supply level for Burley tobacco is 1,620,000,000 pounds, calculated, as provided in the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, from a normal year's domestic consumption of 540,000,000 pounds and a normal year's exports of 35,000,000 pounds.

(b) *Total supply.* The total supply of Burley tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1953, is 1,738,000,000 pounds consisting of carry-over of 1,163,000,000 pounds and estimated 1953 production of 575,000,000 pounds.

(c) *Carry-over.* The estimated carry-over of Burley tobacco at the beginning of the marketing year for such tobacco beginning October 1, 1954, is 1,163,000,000 pounds calculated by subtracting the estimated disappearance for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1953, of 575,000,000 pounds from the total supply of such tobacco.

(d) *National marketing quota.* The amount of Burley tobacco which will make available during the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954, a supply of Burley tobacco equal to the reserve supply level of such tobacco is 457,000,000 pounds and a national marketing quota of such amount is hereby proclaimed. It is determined, however, that a national marketing quota in the amount of 457,000,000 pounds would result in undue restriction of marketings during the 1954-55 marketing year and such amount is hereby increased by 15 percent. Therefore, the amount of the national marketing quota for Burley tobacco in terms of the total quantity of such tobacco which may be marketed during the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954, is 526,000,000 pounds.

(e) *Apportionment of the quota.* The national marketing quota proclaimed in paragraph (d) of this section is hereby apportioned among the several States pursuant to section 313 (a) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, and converted into State acreage allotments in accordance with section 313 (g) of the act as follows:

State:	Acreage allotment
Alabama	38
Arkansas	65
Georgia	95
Illinois	5
Indiana	9,845
Kansas	139
Kentucky	259,865
Missouri	4,258
North Carolina	11,723
Ohio	12,772
Oklahoma	5
Pennsylvania	4
South Carolina	4
Tennessee	78,132
Virginia	13,231
West Virginia	3,385
Reserve ¹	1,871

¹ Acreage reserved for establishing allotments for farms upon which no Burley tobacco has been grown during the past five years.

§ 725.503 *Findings and determinations with respect to the national marketing quota for flue-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning July 1, 1954¹*

(a) *Reserve supply level.* The reserve

¹ Rounded to the nearest million pounds.

supply level for flue-cured tobacco is 3,158,000,000 pounds, calculated, as provided in the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, from a normal year's domestic consumption of 830,000,000 pounds and a normal year's exports of 440,000,000 pounds.

(b) *Total supply.* The total supply of flue-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning July 1, 1953, is 3,103,000,000 pounds consisting of carry-over of 1,852,000,000 pounds and estimated 1953 production of 1,251,000,000 pounds.

(c) *Carry-over.* The estimated carry-over of flue-cured tobacco at the beginning of the marketing year for such tobacco beginning July 1, 1954, is 1,833,000,000 pounds calculated by subtracting the estimated disappearance for the marketing year beginning July 1, 1953, of 1,270,000,000 pounds from the total supply of such tobacco.

(d) *National marketing quota.* The amount of flue-cured tobacco which will make available during the marketing year beginning July 1, 1954, a supply of flue-cured tobacco equal to the reserve supply level of such tobacco is 1,325,000,000 pounds, and a national marketing quota of such amount is hereby proclaimed.

(e) *Apportionment of the quota.* The national marketing quota proclaimed in paragraph (d) of this section is hereby apportioned among the several States pursuant to section 313 (a) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, and converted into State acreage allotments in accordance with section 313 (g) of the act as follows:

State:	Acreage allotment
Alabama	634
Florida	22,141
Georgia	116,525
North Carolina	693,382
South Carolina	121,621
Virginia	165,465
Reserve ¹	5,283

¹ Acreage reserved for establishing allotments for farms upon which no flue-cured tobacco has been grown during the past five years.

Done at Washington, D. C., this 27th day of November 1953. Witness my hand and the seal of the Department of Agriculture.

[SEAL] TRUE D. MORSE,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

[P. R. Doc. 53-10033; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:52 a. m.]

PART 726—FIRE-CURED, DARK AIR-CURED, AND VIRGINIA SUN-CURED TOBACCO

PROCLAMATION OF NATIONAL MARKETING QUOTAS FOR THE 1954-55 MARKETING YEAR

- Sec. 726.501 Basis and purpose.
- 726.502 Findings and determinations with respect to the national marketing quota for fire-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954.
- 726.503 Findings and determinations with respect to the national marketing quota for dark air-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954.

Sec. 726.504 Findings and determinations with respect to the national marketing quota for Virginia Sun-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954.

AUTHORITY: §§ 726.501 to 726.504 issued under sec. 375, 52 Stat. 66, 7 U. S. C. 1375. Interpret or apply secs. 301, 312, 52 Stat. 38, as amended; 7 U. S. C. 1301, 1312.

§ 726.501 *Basis and purpose.* Sections 726.501 to 726.504 are issued to announce the reserve supply level and the total supply of fire-cured tobacco, dark air-cured tobacco, and Virginia sun-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1953, and to establish the amounts of the national marketing quotas for fire-cured, dark air-cured, and Virginia sun-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954. The findings and determinations contained in §§ 726.502 to 726.504 have been made on the basis of the latest available statistics of the Federal Government, and after due consideration of the data, views, and recommendations received from fire-cured, dark air-cured, and Virginia sun-cured tobacco producers and others as provided in a notice (18 F. R. 6592) given in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U. S. C. 1003).

§ 726.502 *Findings and determinations with respect to the national marketing quota for fire-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954*¹—(a) *Reserve supply level.* The reserve supply level for fire-cured tobacco is 175,600,000 pounds calculated as provided in the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, from a normal year's domestic consumption of 38,000,000 pounds and a normal year's exports of 38,000,000 pounds.

(b) *Total supply.* The total supply of fire-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1953, is 197,700,000 pounds consisting of carry-over of 146,400,000 pounds and estimated 1953 production of 51,300,000 pounds.

(c) *Carry-over.* The estimated carry-over of fire-cured tobacco at the beginning of the marketing year for such tobacco beginning October 1, 1954, is 126,100,000 pounds calculated by subtracting the estimated disappearance for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1953, of 71,600,000 pounds from the total supply of such tobacco.

(d) *National marketing quota.* The amount of fire-cured tobacco which will make available during the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954, a supply of fire-cured tobacco equal to the reserve supply level of such tobacco is 49,500,000 pounds and a national marketing quota of such amount is hereby proclaimed. It is determined, however, that a national marketing quota in the amount of 49,500,000 pounds would result in undue restriction of marketings during the 1954-55 marketing year and such amount is hereby increased by 20 percent. Therefore, the amount of the national marketing quota for fire-cured tobacco in terms of the total quantity of

such tobacco which may be marketed during the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954, is 59,400,000 pounds.

§ 726.503 *Findings and determinations with respect to the national marketing quota for dark air-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954*¹—(a) *Reserve supply level.* The reserve supply level for dark air-cured tobacco is 86,100,000 pounds calculated as provided in the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, from a normal year's domestic consumption of 25,000,000 pounds and a normal year's exports of 8,000,000 pounds.

(b) *Total supply.* The total supply of dark air-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1953, is 100,300,000 pounds consisting of carry-over of 75,200,000 pounds and estimated 1953 production of 25,100,000 pounds.

(c) *Carry-over.* The estimated carry-over of dark air-cured tobacco at the beginning of the marketing year for such tobacco beginning October 1, 1954, is 65,900,000 pounds calculated by subtracting the estimated disappearance for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1953, of 34,400,000 pounds from the total supply of such tobacco.

(d) *National marketing quota.* The amount of dark air-cured tobacco which will make available during the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954, a supply of dark air-cured tobacco equal to the reserve supply level of such tobacco is 20,200,000 pounds and a national marketing quota of such amount is hereby proclaimed. It is determined, however, that a national marketing quota in the amount of 20,200,000 pounds would result in undue restriction of marketings during the 1954-55 marketing year and such amount is hereby increased by 20 percent. Therefore, the amount of the national marketing quota for dark air-cured tobacco in terms of the total quantity of such tobacco which may be marketed during the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954, is 24,200,000 pounds.

§ 726.504 *Findings and determinations with respect to the national marketing quota for Virginia sun-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954*¹—(a) *Reserve supply level.* The reserve supply level for Virginia sun-cured tobacco is 8,662,000 pounds, calculated, as provided in the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended, from a normal year's domestic consumption of 2,700,000 pounds and a normal year's exports of 500,000 pounds.

(b) *Total supply.* The total supply of Virginia sun-cured tobacco for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1953, is 5,905,000 pounds consisting of a carry-over of 2,505,000 pounds and estimated 1953 production of 3,400,000 pounds.

(c) *Carry-over.* The estimated carry-over of Virginia sun-cured tobacco at the beginning of the marketing year for such tobacco beginning October 1, 1954, is 2,405,000 pounds calculated by subtracting the estimated disappearance for the marketing year beginning October 1, 1953, of 3,500,000 pounds from the total supply of such tobacco.

(d) *National marketing quota.* The amount of Virginia sun-cured tobacco which will make available during the marketing year beginning October 1, 1954, a supply of Virginia sun-cured tobacco equal to the reserve supply level of such tobacco is 6,257,000 pounds and a national marketing quota of such amount is hereby proclaimed.

Done at Washington, D. C., this 27th day of November 1953. Witness my hand and the seal of the Department of Agriculture.

[SEAL] TRUE D. MORSE,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10090; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:52 a. m.]

TITLE 14—CIVIL AVIATION

Chapter I—Civil Aeronautics Board

[Civil Air Regs., Amdt. 100-1]

PART 190—AUTHORIZATION OF NAVIGATION OF FOREIGN CIVIL AIRCRAFT WITHIN THE UNITED STATES

EXTENSION OF EFFECTIVE DATE OF PART

Adopted by the Civil Aeronautics Board at its office in Washington, D. C., on the 27th day of November 1953.

Part 190 of the Civil Air Regulations, adopted August 19, 1953, was issued by the Board under the authority of Public Law 225 of the 83d Congress. This law transferred the power to the Board to issue flight authorizations under the Air Commerce Act of 1926 for navigation of foreign aircraft in the United States. As stated in the preamble to Part 190, that part was adopted as a temporary measure, pending the drawing up of definitive regulations. Comments as to the respects in which the regulation should be changed were solicited with a deadline of October 1, 1953, and the termination date of the original part was established as December 1, 1953.

Few comments were received by the deadline date, but several have been received since that time. While, except in unusual cases, the Board does not care to consider comments received after a deadline date established in its notice of proposed rule-making, in this instance, because of the novelty of the subject matter and the small amount of experience which interested persons had in a regulation of this type, the Board believes it desirable to take full cognizance of the matter presented in all such comments. Moreover, since neither the comment nor the Board's own experience with the regulation has shown an urgent necessity for change, it appears desirable to gain additional experience before the adoption of final regulations. Accordingly, the Board by this amendment is prolonging the effective life of provisional Part 190 for an additional 90 days.

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment, and due consideration has been given to all relevant matter presented. Since this amendment imposes no additional burden on

¹ Rounded to the nearest tenth of a million pounds.

any person, it may be made effective without prior notice.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Civil Aeronautics Board hereby amends Part 190 of the Civil Air Regulations (14 CFR 190) effective immediately.

By striking the date December 1, 1953, and inserting in lieu thereof March 1, 1954.

(Sec. 6, 44 Stat. 572, as amended, Pub. Law 225, 83d Cong.; 49 U. S. C. 176)

By the Civil Aeronautics Board.

[SEAL] M. C. MULLIGAN,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10087; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:52 a. m.]

TITLE 22—FOREIGN RELATIONS

Chapter V—United States Information Agency

PART 501—INFORMATIONAL MEDIA GUARANTIES UNDER THE ECONOMIC COOPERATION ACT OF 1948, AS AMENDED

Preamble. In furtherance of the Mutual Security Act of 1951, as amended; in order to facilitate and maximize the use of private channels of trade, and pursuant to the authority contained in III (b) (3) of the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, as amended (22 U. S. C. 1509) supplemented and continued (hereinafter called the "act") the following rules and regulations are prescribed for the making of guaranties of investments in enterprises producing or distributing informational media (hereinafter called "Informational Media Guaranties").

- Sec.
- 501.1 Scope of this part.
- 501.2 Application for guaranties and place of filing.
- 501.3 Delegation of authority.
- 501.4 Fee for guaranties.
- 501.5 Designation of Export-Import Bank of Washington as fiscal agent.
- 501.6 Saving clause.

AUTHORITY: §§ 501.1 to 501.6 issued under sec. 104, 62 Stat. 138, as amended, E. O. 10300, 16 F. R. 11203, 3 CFR 1951 Supp., E. O. 10368, 17 F. R. 5929, 3 CFR, 1952 Supp., E. O. 10476, 18 F. R. 4537.

§ 501.1 *Scope of this part.* This part shall cover Informational Media Guaranties.

§ 501.2 *Applications for guaranties and place of filing.* Applications for Informational Media Guaranties should be made in writing to the Informational Media Guaranty Branch, Information Center Service, United States Information Agency, Washington 25, D. C. There is no prescribed form of application, but published information on current policies of the Informational Media Guaranty Program, including the contents of applications, may be obtained on request from the United States Information Agency at the address indicated. Each applicant will be notified in writing when his application has been found to be complete and is accepted for processing.

§ 501.3 *Delegation of authority.* Delegation of Authority No. 2A, signed by the

Director, United States Information Agency, dated September 3, 1953, delegated to the Chief, Information Center Service, United States Information Agency, authority to (a) make informational media guaranties and (b) administer such guaranties made prior to August 1, 1953.

§ 501.4 *Fees for guaranties.* The recipient of a guaranty shall pay to the United States Information Agency or its duly authorized representative, annually in advance, a fee of not to exceed 1 percent per annum of the face amount of such guaranty.

§ 501.5 *Designation of Export-Import Bank of Washington as fiscal agent.* Export-Import Bank of Washington is hereby designated by the United States Information Agency as its fiscal agent, upon such terms as specified by the Agency, in administering Informational Media Guaranties.

§ 501.6 *Saving clause.* The U. S. Information Agency may waive, withdraw or amend at any time or from time to time any or all of the provisions of this part.

Issued: November 25, 1953.

THEODORE C. STREIBERT,
Director.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10067; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:47 a. m.]

TITLE 30—MINERAL RESOURCES

Chapter IV—Federal Coal Mine Safety Board of Review

PART 401—RULES OF PROCEDURE

PRIOR TO FINDING

1. Section 401.32 of the Rules of Procedure (18 F. R. 3020) is amended by adding "(a)" after the heading § 401.32 *Prior to finding.*, and by adding a new paragraph (b) to read as follows:

(b) When an application for annulment or revision of an order of a Federal inspector is filed by an operator of a mine located in a State with an approved State plan, the Board may, without further proceedings, issue an order annulling or revising the order of the Federal inspector upon the filing with the Board by the respondent of a statement that (1) an inspection by a duly authorized representative of the Bureau has shown that the violation on which the order was based has been abated, and (2) the respondent joins with the applicant in requesting annulment or revision of the order.

(Sec. 205, 66 Stat. 637)

Adopted by the Federal Coal Mine Safety Board of Review at its office in Washington, D. C., on the 6th day of November 1953.

TROY L. BACE,
Executive Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10060; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:45 a. m.]

TITLE 32—NATIONAL DEFENSE

Chapter V—Department of the Army

Subchapter B—Claims and Accounts

PART 535—PAYMENT OF BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

CERTIFICATION, GENERAL

In § 535.1 paragraph (b) (1) is amended as follows:

§ 535.1 *Certification, general.* * * *

(b) *Vendor's certificate.*—(1) *General certificate.* The following certificate will be furnished by the vendor on his invoice or on Form 1034:

I certify that the above bill is correct and just and that payment therefor has not been received.

See MS Comp. Gen. A 51607, A 49009, May 1, 1950. The certificate will be signed by the vendor or his duly authorized agent in ink or indelible pencil, showing the title of the signer. However, rubber-stamp signatures on invoices will be accepted if the vendor has adopted the stamp as his signature. See MS Comp. Gen. B 114997, May 15, 1953, and B 115920, September 9, 1953.

[C5, SR 35-3210-5, November 10, 1953] (R. S. 161; 5 U. S. C. 22. Interpret or apply R. S. 3737, as amended, 3477, as amended; 31 U. S. C. 203, 41 U. S. C. 15)

[SEAL] WM. E. BERGIN,
Major General, U. S. Army,
The Adjutant General.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10075; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:49 a. m.]

Subchapter G—Procurement

PART 596—CONTRACT CLAUSES AND FORMS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FORMS

1. Section 596.571 is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

§ 596.571 *Standard forms for construction contracts* (§ 415.004 of this title) (a) Until such time as a short form of construction contract is adopted, the following U. S. Standard Forms are prescribed for use in formally advertised construction contracts. These forms may be used for such contracts regardless of amount, but are mandatory for formally advertised construction contracts exceeding \$10,000. It is recommended, however, that the forms also be used in formally advertised construction contracts in amounts in excess of \$2,000 up to and including \$10,000 as these forms include labor provisions required to be inserted in construction contracts by Part 411 of this title:

- U. S. Standard Form 20 (Revised March 1953)—Invitation for Bids.
- U. S. Standard Form 21 (Revised March 1953)—Bid Form.
- U. S. Standard Form 22 (Revised March 1953)—Instructions to Bidders.
- U. S. Standard Form 23 (Revised March 1953)—Construction Contract.
- U. S. Standard Form 23A (Revised March 1953)—General Provisions.

(b) The use of additional contract provisions consistent with those contained in the standard forms is authorized and, where required elsewhere in this subchapter, the use of such additional provision is mandatory. Changes or additional provisions inconsistent with those contained in the standard forms shall be incorporated when required by any other part of this subchapter, and may be incorporated when authorized on an optional basis by any other part of this subchapter. In the event that a change or additional provision inconsistent with those contained in the standard forms is neither required nor authorized by any other part of this subchapter, request for authority to make such change or incorporate such additional provision in any construction contract to be let pursuant to formal advertisement shall be submitted for approval to the Chief, Purchases Branch, Procurement Division, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4. If approval is granted, a copy of the change or additional provision so approved shall be forwarded by the approving authority to the General Services Administration.

(c) U. S. Standard Form 23 (Construction Contract) and U. S. Standard Form 23A (General Provisions) may also be utilized for negotiated lump-sum construction contracts.

(d) It is expected that these standard forms will be available in Adjutant General publications depots on or before October 22, 1953.

-2. Sections 596.531 and 596.572 are revoked as follows:

§ 596.531 *Construction Contract (Lump Sum) DA AGO Form R-5701.* [Revoked.]

§ 596.572 *Bid (Construction Contract)* [Revoked.]

[Proc. Cir. 25, October 1, 1953] (R. S. 161; 5 U. S. C. 22. Interpret or apply 62 Stat. 21; 41 U. S. C. Sup. 151-161)

[SEAL]

WM. E. BERGIN,
Major General, U. S. Army,
The Adjutant General.

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TITLE 32A—NATIONAL DEFENSE, APPENDIX

Chapter IX—Petroleum Administration for Defense, Department of the Interior

[PAD Order No. 3, Revocation]

PAD ORDER 3—AVIATION QUALITY BLEND- ING AGENTS AND FEED STOCKS

REVOCATION

PAD Order No. 3 (16 F. R. 10745) is hereby revoked effective December 1, 1953.

This revocation does not relieve any person of any obligation or liability incurred under PAD Order No. 3 as originally issued nor does this revocation deprive any person of any rights received or accrued under said order as originally issued prior to the effective date of this revocation.

(Sec. 704, 64 Stat. 816, as amended; 50 U. S. C. App. Sup. 2154)

This revocation is issued this 27th day of November 1953, and shall be effective on and after the 1st day of December 1953.

J. A. LAFORTUNE,
Deputy Petroleum Administrator.

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TITLE 43—PUBLIC LANDS: INTERIOR

Chapter I—Bureau of Land Manage- ment, Department of the Interior

[Circular No. 1863]

PART 192—OIL AND GAS LEASES

SINGLE EXTENSION AS TO LANDS NOT IN A PRODUCING FIELD

Effective 60 days from issuance hereof, § 192.120 is amended to read as follows:

§ 192.120 *Single extension as to lands not in a producing field.* (a) The record title holder of any noncompetitive lease, maintained in compliance with the law and the regulations of this part, may, by filing his application therefor within the period of 90 days prior to the expiration date of the lease, obtain a single extension of the primary term of the lease for an additional five years, unless then otherwise provided by law, as to all of the leased lands or any legal subdivision thereof which, on the expiration date of the lease, are not within the known geologic structure of any producing oil or gas field or have not been withdrawn from leasing. A withdrawal, however, will prevent an extension only (1) if notice thereof was mailed to the lessee by registered mail at least 90 days prior to the expiration date of the lease and (2) if actual drilling operations on the leased lands were not commenced prior to the effective date of such withdrawal, or, if so commenced, have not been diligently prosecuted until and including such expiration date.

(b) The application for extension must be filed on Form 4-1238, "Application for Extension of Oil and Gas Lease," or unofficial copies of that form in current use and should be accompanied by the payment of the sixth year's rental, unless previously paid: *Provided*, That the unofficial copies are exact reproductions on one sheet of both sides of the official approved one-page form, and are without additions, omissions, or other changes, except that the copies shall include the following statement above the signature of the lessee: "This form is submitted in lieu of official Form 4-1238 and contains all of the provisions thereof as of the date of filing of this application." In addition, the name and address of the printer or other party issuing unofficial reproductions of the official form shall be printed thereon. Form 4-1238 or a valid reproduction of the official form, will also constitute approval of the extension when signed by an authorized officer.

¹Filed as part of the original document.

(c) If during the 90 day period prior to the expiration date of the lease, the record title holder files an application or request for an extension not on the prescribed form or unofficial copies thereof, or fails to file the prescribed number of copies, or pay the sixth year's rental, a notice will be issued allowing him 30 days to do so. The application will be rejected if such filing or payment is not made within the time allowed.

(Sec. 32, 41 Stat. 450; 30 U. S. C. 189)

DOUGLAS MCKAY,
Secretary of the Interior.

NOVEMBER 25, 1953.

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Chapter II—Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior

PART 406—EXCHANGE OR AMENDMENT OF FARM UNITS ON FEDERAL RECLAMATION PROJECTS

Sec.

- 406.1 Purpose of act.
- 406.2 Eligibility of applicants.
- 406.3 Request for determination of eligibility.
- 406.4 Application for selection of lieu farm unit.
- 406.5 Size of farm units.
- 406.6 Credit for charges.
- 406.7 Department of Agriculture mortgages.
- 406.8 Credit for homestead and reclamation proof.
- 406.9 Removal of improvements by owner.
- 406.10 Water rights.
- 406.11 Application for entry.
- 406.12 Amendment of farm units or private holdings.

AUTHORITY: §§ 406.1 to 406.12 issued under sec. 10, 32 Stat. 390, as amended, sec. 12, 67 Stat. 568; 43 U. S. C. 373. Interpret or apply sec. 3, 32 Stat. 388, as amended, sec. 5, 34 Stat. 520, sec. 3, 37 Stat. 266, 67 Stat. 566; 43 U. S. C. 434, 448, 544.

§ 406.1 *Purpose of act.* The act of August 13, 1953 (67 Stat. 566), herein called "the act," provides for the exchange of certain unpatented farm units or private lands on a Federal irrigation project, for farm units available on the same or any other such project by certain classes of qualified applicants whose lands have been determined, pursuant to a land classification, to be insufficient to support a family, and the amendment of farm units by the addition of contiguous or non-contiguous land on the same project.

§ 406.2 *Eligibility of applicants.* The benefits of the act shall apply to an entryman on an unpatented farm unit and shall apply as to section 1 of the act and may apply as to the remainder of the act, except as otherwise provided, to the lawful assignee of an unpatented farm unit who took the assignment in good faith not knowing and not having reason to believe the farm unit to be insufficient to support a family and to a resident owner of private lands who apart from his having previously exhausted his homestead right, if such be the case, is eligible to enter unappropriated public lands under Revised Statutes, section 2289, as amended (43 U. S. C. 161), and

who lawfully acquired his lands as an entire farm unit under the Federal reclamation laws from the United States or in the case of a widow, widower, heir or devisee, from a spouse or ancestor as the case may be who so acquired them. Eligibility of all applicants for exchange or amendment shall be further conditioned as to limitation of size of entry or ownership as provided in § 406.5.

§ 406.3 *Request for determination of eligibility.* Entryman or resident landowners qualified as provided in § 406.2 may make written request addressed to the officer of the Bureau of Reclamation in charge of the project upon which the applicant's farm unit is located for a determination of his eligibility and that of his lands described in such request, for exchange or amendment of farm unit under the provisions of the act. Such requests shall include a showing of the basis on which such eligibility is claimed as set forth in § 406.2 and shall also list the amount of liens if any against the land, together with the names and addresses of the lien holders. When such determination shall have been made, pursuant to a land classification, the entryman or resident landowner shall be notified thereof in writing, in person, or by registered mail. At the same time, a list of farm units then currently available for exchange on the same project together with a list of other projects where units may be available shall be furnished to those determined to be eligible under the act.

§ 406.4 *Application for selection of a lieu farm unit.* (a) The eligible entryman or resident landowner shall file his written application for selection of a lieu farm unit with the official in charge of the project upon which the lieu farm unit is located within 30 days of receipt of his notification of eligibility. Each such application shall be dated and shall indicate the name and post office address of the applicant, a statement as to whether the applicant is an ex-serviceman as defined in section 8 of the act and the date on which the applicant received his notification of eligibility for exchange, attaching a copy of said notification. Such filing shall be considered as being timely within the meaning of the act, except with respect to farm units opened for entry or purchase pursuant to a public notice or public announcement under which the closing date has already passed. Filings may be made in person or by mail.

(b) In the event an application for exchange is filed on a project at a time after the opening date and before the closing date of any public notice or public announcement of filings for entry or purchase of a farm unit, such applicant shall have a preference over any other applicant for a farm unit on that project or division. All subsequent public notices and public announcements shall contain reference to the priority of applicants for farm units pursuant to the act.

(c) In the event there is an available unit on the project at the time the application is received and there are no other applications pending, the official in charge of the project on which the lieu unit is located shall immediately notify

the applicant in writing that said unit may be awarded to him upon his selection or rejection of the unit within 30 days. Such unit shall then be withdrawn from availability until such time as that applicant notifies the official in charge of the project upon which that unit is located of his selection or rejection, and if after the expiration of 30 days the applicant fails to select or reject, his application for a unit on that project shall be considered withdrawn and returned. If an applicant rejects the unit offered, his application shall be considered refiled for any subsequent units in the manner herein provided.

(d) In the event there are no available units on the project receiving the application the official in charge shall place the application in priority group A if the applicant is an ex-serviceman as defined in section 8 and in priority group B if no such preference is evident from the application. All subsequent applications so received shall be so classified and held until a unit becomes available. At the time a unit becomes available and there are more than one application in either priority group a drawing shall be held to determine the individual priority within the priority group. Any applicant so establishing a priority within group A shall have a preference over applicants in group B. If the number of units available will not satisfy all pending applications subsequent drawings shall be held whenever units become available with the preferences established by the priority group.

(e) Applications for selection of a lieu farm unit shall be retained on file for a period of one year unless the applicant has sooner selected a farm unit on that project or some other project or withdrawn the application, or for good cause shown, the official in charge of the project where the application is pending may extend said period from time to time. No farm units will be included in a public announcement or notice for purchase or entry until all timely applicants on the project involved have had an opportunity to select a lieu unit thereon.

§ 406.5 *Size of farm units.* The act authorizes the establishment of new farm units or the amendment of existing farm units or private holdings by the addition of either contiguous or non-contiguous lands which may be available for entry or purchase, which in combination with all or a part of the unit will be sufficient in size to support a family. The maximum size of any unit shall not exceed 320 acres, of which not more than 160 acres may be irrigable. No exchange or amendment pursuant to the act will be permitted if the lieu unit or amended unit, together with other land owned by the applicant on any Federal reclamation project shall exceed 160 acres of irrigable land on which the construction charges have not been paid. This provision shall not include lands owned by applicant under a recordable contract for their disposal as provided by the Federal reclamation laws. Amendments involving non-contiguous tracts of land will not be approved if there is a sufficient acreage of land contiguous to the applicant's base farm or if the non-contiguous tracts

are so located as to preclude their being farmed as a part of the base farm. Factors among others which may be considered, are the location of canals and other reclamation structures, either constructed or proposed, which would prohibit the normal movement of farming equipment from one tract to another, terrain or distance, all or any of which would render infeasible the economic farming operations of the applicant.

§ 406.6 *Credit for charges.* After consummation of the exchange, charges or liens by the United States against the entryman or resident landowner or against the relinquished farm unit or private lands which are within the administrative jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior may be canceled. Any charges paid to the United States by the entryman or resident landowner on the relinquished farm unit or private lands for land development or construction costs allocated against the lands or the purchase price paid to the United States for the original farm unit may be credited against such charges as have been allocated to the new unit or against the purchase price of the new unit.

§ 406.7 *Department of Agriculture mortgages.* Land that is subject to a mortgage contract with the Secretary of Agriculture under the act of October 19, 1949 (63 Stat. 883; 7 U. S. C. 1006a and 1006b), shall be disposed of under the provisions of the regulations in this part only in such form and manner and upon such terms and conditions as are consistent with the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture over such mortgage contract.

§ 406.8 *Credit for homestead and reclamation proof.* Entryman on unpatented farm units will be given credit under the homestead laws for residence, improvements and cultivation made or performed upon the original entry and if satisfactory final proof of residence, improvements and cultivation has been made on the original entry, it shall not be necessary to submit such proof upon the lieu entry. Such rights shall not be assignable. Resident owners of private lands making an exchange under the provisions of the act shall not be required to comply with the provisions of the homestead and reclamation laws as to residence, improvements and cultivation.

§ 406.9 *Removal of improvements by owner.* Within ninety days after consummation of the exchange, and subject to the rights and interests of other parties, the entryman may dispose of or remove any and all improvements placed on the relinquished lands. Improvements remaining on the relinquished lands upon the expiration of the ninety-day period shall become the property of the United States and shall be available for disposition under the laws of the United States. When a resident landowner elects to remove improvements which were located on the base farm unit at the time of purchase from the United States the current appraised value thereof shall be taken into consideration in applying the credit on the lieu farm unit.

§ 406.10 *Water rights.* Upon the consummation of the exchange any water right appurtenant to the original lands under the Federal reclamation laws shall cease and the water supply used or required to satisfy such right shall be available for disposition under the Federal reclamation laws.

§ 406.11 *Application for entry.* If the lieu farm unit selected by a successful exchange applicant is public domain, an application for entry shall be filed with the office having jurisdiction over the area in which the unit is located. In the case of farm units offered for sale under the provisions of the Federal reclamation laws the exchange applicant will execute a land purchase contract to be filed with the official in charge of the project upon which such farm unit is located. The

application for a lieu farm unit or the land purchase contract must be accompanied by a copy of the approved application for selection of a lieu farm unit. In the case of an unpatented farm unit it will be necessary that the application be accompanied by a relinquishment. In the case of private lands the application must be accompanied by a warranty deed conveying title to the United States, and an abstract of title or other evidence of title showing that the land is free of all encumbrances.

§ 406.12 *Amendment of farm units on private holdings.* On those projects where it appears that there are a sufficient number of amendments to justify such action, a board shall be created to assist the Secretary in determining the boundaries of amended farm units.

Otherwise, disputes between two or more entrymen or resident landowners as to which of them shall be awarded a tract of land, shall be referred to the Board of Directors or other governing body of the irrigation district or water users' association for a recommendation. In the event there is no irrigation district or water users' association under repayment contract for the lands involved in the amendment the matter shall be referred to the Commissioner of Reclamation for a final decision, subject to the right of appeal to the Secretary of the Interior.

DOUGLAS MCKAY,
Secretary of the Interior

NOVEMBER 21, 1953.

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PROPOSED RULE MAKING

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[50 CFR Part 155]

NORTHWEST ATLANTIC COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

HADDOCK PROVISIONS

At its Third Annual Meeting held in New Haven, Connecticut, May 25-30, 1953, the International Commission for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries, a body created pursuant to Article II of the International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries signed at Washington, D. C., under date of February 8, 1949, adopted a proposal amending a proposal previously adopted by the Commission concerning the regulation of the taking of haddock in Sub-area 5 of the Convention. The proposal adopted at the third meeting was accepted by the Governments of the United States and Canada on September 1, 1953, and, in accordance with the provisions of the International Convention for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries, enters into force with respect to all Contracting Governments on January 1, 1954.

The proposal adopted by the Commission at its Third Annual Meeting recommends certain changes in the definition of average mesh size in trawl nets when wet after use and authorizes the Contracting Governments to exercise discretion in determining such average mesh size.

In accordance with section 4 (a) of the Administrative Procedure Act of June 11, 1946 (60 Stat. 237) notice is hereby given that in order to give effect to the Commission's proposal, the Secretary of the Interior intends to adopt the regulations set out below affecting the taking of haddock in the Northwest Atlantic Ocean to become effective January 1, 1954. These regulations are to be adopted under the authority contained in section 7 (a) of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 1067, 16 U. S. C., 1946 ed., Supp. V 86) In accordance with section 4 (a) of the North-

west Atlantic Fisheries Act of 1950, the proposed regulations were submitted to the Advisory Committee to the United States Commissioners on the International Commission for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries on November 10, 1953, at which time the proposed regulations received the approval of the Advisory Committee.

The proposed regulations, to replace Subchapter I—Northwest Atlantic Commercial Fisheries, Part 155—Haddock Provisions, are as follows:

Sec.

- 155.1 Meaning of terms.
- 155.2 Restrictions on fishing gear.
- 155.3 Tampering with seals prohibited.
- 155.4 Employment of devices to reduce mesh size prohibited.
- 155.5 Certain vessels exempted.

AUTHORITY: §§ 155.1 to 155.5 issued under sec. 7, 64 Stat. 1067; 16 U. S. C. 986.

§ 155.1 *Meaning of terms.* When used in the regulations in this part, unless the content otherwise requires, terms shall have the meanings ascribed hereinafter in this section.

(a) *Vessel.* The word "vessel" denotes every kind, type, or description of watercraft, aircraft, or other contrivance, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, used, or capable of being used, as a means of transportation on water.

(b) *Haddock.* The word "haddock" denotes any fish of the species *Melanogrammus aeglefinus*.

(c) *Haddock fishing.* The words "haddock fishing" mean the catching, taking, or fishing for, or the attempted catching, taking, or fishing for any fish of the species *Melanogrammus aeglefinus*.

(d) *Trawl net.* The words "trawl net" mean any large bag net dragged in the sea by a vessel or vessels for the purpose of taking fish.

(e) *Cod end.* The words "cod end" mean the bag-like extension attached to the after end of the belly of the trawl net and used to retain the catch.

§ 155.2 *Restrictions on fishing gear*

(a) No person shall engage in haddock fishing in the northwest Atlantic Ocean

north of 39°00' north latitude and west of 42°00' west longitude with a trawl net or nets, parts of nets or netting having a mesh size of less than four and one-half inches, as defined in this part.

(b) As used in this part, the term "mesh size of less than four and one-half inches" shall mean: (1) With respect to any part of the net except the cod end, the average size of any twenty consecutive meshes in any row located at least ten meshes from the side lacings measured when wet after use, and (2) with respect to the cod end, the average size of any row of meshes running the length of the cod end located at least ten meshes from the side lacings, measured when wet after use, or, at the option of the user, a cod end which has been approved, in accordance with paragraph (d) of this section, by an authorized representative of the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, as having a mesh size when dry before use equivalent to not less than four and one-half inches when wet after use.

(c) All measurements of meshes when wet after use shall be made by the insertion into such meshes under pressure of not less than ten nor more than fifteen pounds of a flat-wedge-shaped gauge having a taper of two inches in nine inches and a thickness of three thirty-seconds of an inch.

(d) For the purpose of approving dry cod ends before use, as contemplated by paragraph (b) of this section, the average mesh size of such cod ends shall be determined by measuring the length of any single row of meshes running the length of the cod end, parallel to the long axis of the cod end and located at least ten meshes from the side lacings, when stretched under a tension of two hundred pounds, and dividing the length by the number of meshes in such row. *Provided,* That not more than ten percent of the meshes in such row shall be more than one-half inch smaller when measured between knot centers than the average of the row. Cod ends so measured which are constructed of the twines and are of not less than the average mesh sizes

specified in the table below may be approved for haddock fishing by any duly authorized employee of the Fish and Wildlife Service by the attachment to such cod end of an appropriate seal or seals.

Twine	Average mesh size
4-ply 45-yard manila, double strand.	5.625 inches (5 $\frac{1}{8}$ ")
4-ply 50-yard manila, double strand.	5.625 inches (5 $\frac{1}{8}$ ")
4-ply 75-yard manila, double strand.	5.625 inches (5 $\frac{1}{8}$ ")
4-ply 80-yard manila, double strand.	5.500 inches (5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ")
109-thread cotton	4.250 inches (4 $\frac{1}{4}$ ")
All nylon	4.250 inches (4 $\frac{1}{4}$ ")

§ 155.3 *Tampering with seals prohibited.* Removing, altering, defacing or in any other way tampering with seals affixed to cod ends in accordance with § 155.2 is prohibited.

§ 155.4 *Employment of devices to reduce mesh size prohibited.* The use from any vessel engaged in haddock fishing in the area described in § 155.2 of any device or method which will obstruct the meshes of the trawl net or which will otherwise, in effect, diminish the size of said meshes is prohibited: *Provided,* That a protective covering may be attached to the underside only of the cod end alone of the net to reduce and prevent damage thereto.

§ 155.5 *Certain vessels exempted.* Nothing contained in the regulations in this part shall apply to:

(a) Any vessel having in possession haddock in amounts less than five thousand pounds or ten percent by weight of all the fish on board such vessel, whichever is larger.

(b) Any vessel duly authorized by the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service to engage in haddock fishing for scientific purposes.

(c) Any vessel documented as a common carrier by the Government of the United States and engaged exclusively in the carriage of freight and passengers.

All persons who desire to submit written data, views or arguments in connection with the proposed regulations may do so by filing them with John L. Farley, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, Washington 25, D. C., not later than 30 days from the publication of this notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

Dated: November 25, 1953.

DOUGLAS MCKAY,
Secretary of the Interior

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Production and Marketing Administration

HOLTON BROTHERS STOCK YARDS, HUGO, OKLA., AND IDABEL STOCKYARDS, IDABEL, OKLA.

POSTING OF STOCKYARDS

The Secretary of Agriculture has information that the Holton Brothers Stock Yards, Hugo, Oklahoma, and the No. 234—2

Idabel Stockyards, Idabel, Oklahoma, are stockyards as defined in section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended (7 U. S. C. 202) and should be made subject to the provisions of that act.

Therefore, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture proposes to issue a rule designating the stockyards named above as posted stockyards subject to the provisions of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended (7 U. S. C. 181 et seq.), as provided in section 302 of that act. Any interested person who desires to do so may submit, within 15 days of the publication of this notice, any data, views or arguments, in writing, on the proposed rule to the Director, Livestock Branch, Production and Marketing Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C.

Done at Washington, D. C., this 25th day of November 1953.

[SEAL] DAVID M. PETTUS,
Acting Director Livestock Branch, Production and Marketing Administration.

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CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD

[14 CFR Parts 40, 41, 42, 60]

[Draft Release No. 53-30]

AMENDMENT OF CIVIL AIR REGULATIONS TO PERMIT USE OF NAUTICAL UNITS IN CONTROL OF AIR TRAFFIC AND TO REQUIRE THEIR USE IN AIR CARRIER OPERATIONS

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING

Notice is hereby given that the Civil Aeronautics Board has under consideration the adoption of proposed amendments to the Civil Air Regulations hereinafter set forth.

Interested persons may participate in the making of the proposed rules by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should be submitted in duplicate to the Civil Aeronautics Board, attention Bureau of Safety Regulation, Washington 25, D. C. In order to insure their consideration by the Board before taking further action on the proposed rules, communications must be received by January 4, 1954. Copies of such communications will be available after January 6, 1954, for examination by interested persons at the Docket Section of the Board, Room 5412, Department of Commerce Building, Washington, D. C.

On April 15, 1952, the Bureau of Safety Regulation of the Civil Aeronautics Board published in the FEDERAL REGISTER (17 F. R. 3357) a notice of proposed rule making and circulated as Draft Release No. 52-10 dated April 1, 1952, a proposal to amend several parts of the Civil Air Regulations with respect to the conversion of speed and distance requirements from miles per hour and statute miles to knots and nautical miles.

In response to that proposal, the Board received considerable comment

from virtually all segments of United States aeronautical activity. This comment posed so many questions as to the necessity, as well as the desirability of making the proposed amendments, that the Board heard oral argument with respect to them on May 29, 1952. The Board considered that insufficient justification was shown in the oral argument for adoption of the proposed amendments at that time, and accordingly the Civil Air Regulations were not amended, nor was the use of nautical units in the control of air traffic initiated.

Subsequent to that decision, the practical effect of which was to leave civil aviation practices with respect to dimensional units unchanged, the Board continued to receive suggestions for the resolution of this problem and in keeping with its policy of constant surveillance of safety matters, the Board has reviewed the arguments presented for and against the reopening of the question. Requests have been received from the armed services, the Air Transport Association of America, and the Air Line Pilots Association for the reconsideration of this problem. These groups represent interests which account for over 90 percent of all airway traffic under instrument flight rules. The Administrator of Civil Aeronautics has also advised the Board that he has reviewed the problem of the use of nautical units in civil aviation with particular emphasis on their relation to the operation of the Federal Airways and related services. The Administrator's objective was to develop a feasible plan of operation by which those operators and service agencies who so desired, could utilize nautical units for purposes of radio navigation and traffic control, and at the same time continue to provide information in statute units to those groups in aviation who desired no change in dimensional units. The broad outline of such a plan has been made available to the Board, and it has been used as a basis for the amendments of the Civil Air Regulations hereinafter proposed.

In general, this plan will require air carriers to use nautical units (the armed services will of course use nautical units exclusively) and give all other operators the option of using either nautical or statute units. Although non-air-carrier operators are not required to file flight plans under VFR conditions, it will be permissible for them to file flight plans in either statute or nautical units. For IFR operations, flight plans will normally be filed in nautical units, but can be submitted by non-air-carrier operators in statute units. Information as to speeds and distance will normally be transmitted in ground-to-air communications in nautical units but upon specific request will also be transmitted in statute units. It is to be noted that no change in the units currently associated with visibilities, approach charts, radio facility charts, airway widths, control zone dimensions, non-air-carrier aircraft instruments, etc., is necessary and that in Part 60 (Air Traffic Rules) it appears necessary only to remove the limiting words "in miles per hour" from § 60.41 (g) relating to IFR operations. Although the normal operation of the

Federal Airways system will be based upon the nautical system, it may be stated that no burden will be placed on general aviation either for VFR or IFR operations.

With respect to air carrier operations, it is proposed to amend the appropriate regulations to provide for an orderly changeover to nautical units. Prior to the date on which the Administrator commences the use of nautical units in airway operations, probably about July 1, 1954, air carriers shall revise air-speed limitations and related information contained in the Airplane Flight Manual and pertinent placards to the same units as used on the air-speed indicator. Where the operation rules of the Civil Air Regulations require more than one air-speed indicator, all such indicators shall be calibrated to designate air-speed in the same units. If the airplane is equipped with an air-speed indicator calibrated in statute miles per hour and not in knots, a readily usable means shall be provided for the flight crew to convert statute miles per hour to knots. After January 1, 1956, however, all air-speed indicators shall be calibrated in knots, and air-speed limitations and related information contained in the Airplane Flight Manual, and pertinent placards shall be expressed in knots.

Accordingly, notice is hereby given that the Board proposes to amend the Civil Air Regulations as follows:

1. By deleting the word "in miles per hour" from § 60.41 (g) of Part 60.

2. By amending the operation requirements pertaining to air carrier operations by requiring that air-speed limitations and related information contained in the Airplane Flight Manual and pertinent placards be in the same units as used on the air-speed indicator, that all such indicators be calibrated in the same units when more than one air-speed indicator is required, and that for air-speed indicators calibrated in statute miles per hour and not in knots, a readily usable means shall be provided for the flight crew to convert statute miles per hour to knots.

3. By amending the operation requirements pertaining to air carrier operations to require that after January 1, 1956, all air-speed indicators shall be calibrated in knots, and all air-speed limitations and related information contained in the Airplane Flight Manual and pertinent placards shall be expressed in knots.

It is proposed that these amendments become effective on the date on which the Administrator commences use of nautical units in airways operations, probably about July 1, 1954.

These amendments are proposed under the authority of Title VI of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended. These proposals may be changed in the light of comments received in response to this notice of proposed rule making.

(Sec. 205 (a), 52 Stat. 984; 49 U. S. C. 425 (a). Interpret or apply secs. 601-610, 52 Stat. 1007-1012, as amended; 49 U. S. C. 551-560)

Dated; November 27, 1953, at Washington, D. C.

By the Civil Aeronautics Board.

[SEAL] M. C. MULLIGAN,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10118; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953;
11:26 a. m.]

[14 CFR Part 42]

EXTENSION OF DATE REQUIRING NON-TRANSPORT CATEGORY AIRPLANES USED IN PASSENGER OPERATIONS TO COMPLY WITH STANDARDS OTHER THAN THOSE CURRENTLY IN EFFECT

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING

Notice is hereby given that the Civil Aeronautics Board has under consideration the adoption of proposed amendments of the Civil Air Regulations in substance as hereinafter set forth.

Interested persons may participate in the making of the proposed rules by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should be submitted in duplicate to the Civil Aeronautics Board, attention Bureau of Safety Regulations, Washington 25, D. C. In order to insure their consideration by the Board before taking further action on the proposed rules, communications must be received by December 16, 1953. Copies of such communications will be available after December 18, 1953, for examination by interested persons at the Docket Section of the Board, Room 5412, Department of Commerce Building, Washington, D. C.

Section 42.15 (c) of Part 42 for the past several years has stated that after December 31, 1953, all airplanes used in irregular passenger operation shall comply with the transport category requirements of Parts 4a or 4b and with transport category operating limitations. This provision, which was identical to provisions in Parts 40 and 41 of the Civil Air Regulations, was intended to require nontransport category airplanes, principally the Douglas DC-3, the Lockheed L-18, and the Curtiss C-46, to comply with stricter requirements than those now in effect for passenger operations pursuant to Part 42. These operations in the case of the C-46 are further limited by Special Civil Air Regulation SR-391 which temporarily establishes a maximum certificated weight for this airplane of 44,300 pounds with an additional 1,000 pounds for those airplanes having certain type propellers.

Tests are currently being conducted with the C-46, incorporating certain modifications which are designed to improve performance and the general safety of operation. These tests are being conducted by the Aircraft Engineering Foundation, representing the C-46 operators, who have requested that the Board extend the present applicable regulations until June 30, 1954. It is stated that these tests will be completed soon and that the results will be presented to the Civil Aeronautics Administration for appraisal in the early part of 1954. In consideration of the foregoing, the Board is proposing that the

present regulations be extended to not later than March 31, 1954; which, in view of the ample notice which has been given for consideration by the industry of the factors involved in the continued use of nontransport category airplanes in passenger operations, should constitute sufficient time for presentation to and consideration by the Board of the necessary data derived from the tests.

Accordingly, notice is hereby given that the Board proposes to amend the Civil Air Regulations as follows:

1. By deleting the date "December 31, 1953" in § 42.15 (c) of Part 42 and inserting the date March 31, 1954, in lieu thereof.

2. By promulgating a new Special Civil Air Regulation extending the provisions of Special Civil Air Regulation SR-391 through March 31, 1954.

These amendments are proposed under the authority of Title VI of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended. These proposals may be changed in the light of comments received in response to this notice of proposed rule making.

(Sec. 205 (a), 52 Stat. 984; 49 U. S. C. 425 (a). Interpret or apply secs. 601-610, 52 Stat. 1007-1012, as amended; 49 U. S. C. 551-560)

Dated November 27, 1953, at Washington, D. C.

By the Civil Aeronautics Board.

[SEAL] M. C. MULLIGAN,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[47 CFR Parts 2, 3]

[Dockets Nos. 10716, 10717]

CLASS B FM BROADCAST STATIONS

REVISED TENTATIVE ALLOCATION PLAN

At a session of the Federal Communications Commission held in its offices in Washington, D. C., on the 25th day of November 1953;

The Commission having under consideration proposals to amend the Revised Tentative Allocation Plan for Class B FM Broadcast Stations; and

It appearing, that notices of proposed rule making (FCC 53-1337 & FCC 53-1338) setting forth the above amendments were issued by the Commission on October 15, 1953, and were duly published in the FEDERAL REGISTER (18 F. R. 6680) which notices provided that interested parties might file statements or briefs with respect to the said amendments on or before November 16, 1953; and

It further appearing, that no comments were received either favoring or opposing the adoption of the proposed reallocations;

It further appearing, that the immediate adoption of the proposed reallocations would facilitate consideration of a pending application requesting a Class B assignment in Deland, Florida, and permit a change in frequency for an existing FM broadcast station in Huntsville, Alabama,

It is ordered, That effective immediately the Revised Tentative Allocation Plan for Class B FM broadcast stations is amended as follows:

General area	Channels	
	Delete	Add
Deland, Fla.-----		239
Lakeland, Fla.-----	239	
Huntsville, Ala.-----		250
Birmingham, Ala.-----	250	
Chattanooga, Tenn.-----	251	

Released: November 27, 1953.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION,

[SEAL] Wm. P. MASSING, Acting Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10080; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:50 a. m.]

[47 CFR Part 3]

[Docket No. 10765]

RADIO BROADCAST SERVICES

FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS; CLEAR CHANNELS: CLASS I AND II STATIONS

1. Notice is hereby given of proposed rule making in the above-entitled matter.

2. It is proposed to amend § 3.25 (a) to read as follows:

§ 3.25 *Clear channels: Class I and II stations.* The frequencies in the following tabulations are designated as clear channels and assigned for use by the classes of stations given:

(a) (1) To each of the channels below there will be assigned one Class I station and there may be assigned one or more Class II stations within the continental limits of the United States operating limited time or daytime only: 640, 650, 660, 670, 700, 720, 750, 760, 770, 780, 820, 830, 840, 870, 880, 890, 1020, 1040, 1100, 1120, 1160, 1180, 1200, 1210 kilocycles.

(2) There also may be assigned to these frequencies Class II stations operating unlimited time in Alaska, Hawaii, Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico which will not deliver over 5 microvolts per meter groundwave day or night or 25 microvolts per meter 10 percent time skywave at night at any point within the continental limits of the United States. The power of the Class I stations on these channels shall not be less than 50 kilowatts.

3. The purpose of this amendment is to make the frequencies concerned available for assignment in Alaska, Hawaii, Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico in the same manner in which they are presently being used, or may be used, in other countries of the North American region that are closer to the continental United States than are Alaska, Hawaii, Virgin Islands, or Puerto Rico.

4. Authority for the adoption of the proposed amendment is contained in sections 4 (i) 303 (a) (b) (c) (f) (r),

and 307 (b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

5. Any interested party who is of the opinion that the proposed amendment should not be adopted or should not be adopted in the form set forth herein may file with the Commission on or before January 15, 1954, a written statement or brief setting forth his comments. Comments in support of the proposed amendment may also be filed on or before the same date. Comments or briefs in reply to the original comments may be filed within 10 days from the last day for filing said original comments or briefs. The Commission will consider all such comments that are submitted before taking action in this matter, and if any comments appear to warrant the holding of a hearing or oral argument, notice of the time and place of such hearing or oral argument will be given.

6. In accordance with the provisions of § 1.764 of the Commission rules and regulations, an original and 14 copies of all statements, briefs, or comments shall be furnished the Commission.

Adopted: November 24, 1953.

Released: November 25, 1953.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION,

[SEAL] Wm. P. MASSING, Acting Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10081; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:50 a. m.]

[47 CFR Part 9]

[Docket No. 10776]

AVIATION SERVICES

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING

1. Notice is hereby given of proposed rule making in the above-entitled matter.

2. It is proposed to amend Part 9 of the Commission's rules governing Aviation Services to provide for services not presently recognized; to streamline licensing procedures and to provide for the recognition of radio station licenses aboard foreign-flag aircraft operating within the United States in accordance with the ICAO Agreement. Final action in this matter will dispose of a petition filed by Aeronautical Radio, Inc., Washington, D. C.

3. The proposed amendment provides for:

(a) The issuance of a single license to each scheduled air carrier for the specified number of aircraft radio stations operated in its fleet;

(b) A metropolitan area plan of communications;

(c) Recognition of radio station license aboard foreign-flag aircraft operating within the United States in accordance with the ICAO Agreement,

4. Under existing rules, aircraft are separately licensed by the Commission. The petition indicates that the licensing of an entire fleet of aircraft to an air carrier on a single instrument of authorization would tend to make the administrative operation of an air carrier

more functional than the present practice of separately licensing each aircraft, inasmuch as it would overcome difficulties associated with the Civil Aeronautics Board approved scheduled airline "interchange program" Section 9.105 (a) (ii) and (iii) of the proposed rules provide for the issuance of one license to each scheduled air carrier authorizing the use and operation of the total number of aircraft radio stations aboard aircraft of U. S. registry owned or controlled by such air carrier.

5. Within the past few years, there has developed a new class of aircraft operation in the major metropolitan areas where the helicopter and, in some instances, small conventional aircraft, are used to transport passengers, mail, or cargo between the main air terminal of a city and its numerous outlying or downtown minor landing areas. Sections 9.1101 through 9.1104 of the proposal provide for the operation of metropolitan area stations not specifically included in the rules at this time.

6. The petition requested promulgation of regulations governing the operation of radio stations aboard foreign-flag aircraft within the United States in accordance with Article 30 of the ICAO Agreement. This is provided for in § 9.313 of the proposed rules.

7. The petition requested regulations be adopted to provide recognition for network type of route chain systems and to authorize preliminary system licensing of aeronautical route chain systems. This raises certain basic questions of policy and authority which the Commission presently has under study. Pending completion thereof action on this aspect of the petition will be held in abeyance.

8. Enclosure A of the petition lists certain Aeronautical Mobile (R) Bands of frequencies to be made available in the Rules. The Aeronautical Mobile (R) Bands are not cleared of conflicting operations at this time, therefore cannot be made available in accordance with ARINC's request. When the Aeronautical Mobile (R) Bands are cleared of conflicting operations appropriate proposed rule making procedures will be initiated.

9. The authority for the proposed amendment, the text of which appears below, is contained in sections 4 (i) 303 (b), (c) (f), and (r) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

10. Any interested person may file with the Commission on or before January 15, 1954, a written statement or brief in support, opposition, or for modification of the proposed amendment. Within 15 days from the last day for filing the original comments or briefs, comments or briefs in reply thereto may be filed. The Commission will consider such comments before taking action in this matter. If any comments will appear to warrant the holding of an oral argument or hearing, a notice of time and place therefor will be given.

11. In accordance with the provisions of § 1.764 of the Commission's rules, an original and 14 copies of all statements,

briefs or comments shall be furnished to the Commission.

Adopted: November 25, 1953.

Released: November 27, 1953.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS
COMMISSION,
[SEAL] WM. P. MASSING,
Acting Secretary.

Proposed amendments to Part 9, rules governing Aviation Services:

1. Subparagraph (6) is added to § 9.10 (k) to read as follows:

(6) *Aeronautical metropolitan station.* An aeronautical station used for communications with aircraft, including helicopters, operating between a main air terminal of a metropolitan area and subordinate landing areas.

2. The present text of paragraph (a) of § 9.105 is designated subparagraph (1) and subparagraphs (2) and (3) are added to read as follows:

(2) A scheduled air carrier, in submitting applications for aircraft radio station licenses, may specify on a single FCC Form 404, the total number of air carrier aircraft radio stations in the fleet, together with the registration number and other pertinent information for each aircraft involved. Such an application may include a request for a single instrument of authorization for the operation of all aircraft radio stations aboard the scheduled aircraft of the fleet.

(3) Any scheduled U. S. air carrier, conducting operations pursuant to an interchange or lease agreement authorized by the Civil Aeronautics Board, may in-

clude in its application, filed in accordance with subparagraph (2) of this paragraph, a request for permission to temporarily transfer the control of any of its air carrier aircraft radio stations to another U. S. scheduled air carrier, currently licensed by the F. C. C., with whom it has such an interchange or lease agreement, in order to enable such carrier to operate the station while the interchange or lease agreement is in effect. Such request must specify (i) the number of aircraft subject to the interchange or lease agreement, and (ii) the names of the scheduled air carriers participating in the interchange or lease agreement who will operate such aircraft, including the radio station aboard.

3. Section 9.313 is added to read as follows:

§ 9.313 *Foreign aircraft stations operating within the U. S.* (a) Aircraft of member States of the ICAO may, in or over the United States, carry radio transmitting apparatus only if a license to install and operate such apparatus has been issued by the appropriate authorities of the State in which the aircraft is registered. The use of radio transmitting apparatus in or over the United States shall be in accordance with the rules and regulations of this part.

(b) Radio transmitting apparatus may be used only by members of the flight crew who are provided with a special license for the purpose, issued or recognized by the appropriate authorities of the State in which the aircraft is registered.

4. Section 9.321 (d) is amended to read as follows:

(d) The aeronautical frequencies listed under § 9.432 (a) are also available to air carrier aircraft upon showing that agreements have been made with the licensee of appropriate ground stations.

5. A new subpart entitled "Aeronautical Metropolitan Station," containing §§ 9.1101 through 9.1104 is added to read as follows:

AERONAUTICAL METROPOLITAN STATION

§ 9.1101 *Eligibility for station license.* Authorizations for aeronautical metropolitan stations will be issued only to the licensee of the aeronautical enroute station operating in the metropolitan area.

§ 9.1102 *Frequencies available.* The frequencies available for aeronautical en route stations are available for assignment to aeronautical metropolitan stations.

§ 9.1103 *Points of communication.* Aeronautical metropolitan stations are primarily authorized to communicate with aircraft and are secondarily authorized to intercommunicate with other aeronautical metropolitan stations within the same metropolitan area.

§ 9.1104 *Scope of service.* Aeronautical metropolitan stations shall transmit only communications for the safe, expeditious and economical operation of aircraft operating between a main air terminal of a metropolitan area and subordinate landing areas.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10062; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:51 a. m.]

NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

ARIZONA

RESTORATION ORDER UNDER FEDERAL POWER ACT

NOVEMBER 23, 1953.

Pursuant to a determination of the Federal Power Commission (DA-112-Arizona) dated August 21, 1953, and in accordance with Order No. 427, section 2.22 (a) of the Director, Bureau of Land Management, approved August 16, 1950 (15 F. R. 5639) it is ordered as follows:

Subject to valid existing rights and the provisions of existing withdrawals, the lands hereinafter described, so far as they were withdrawn or reserved in Power Site Reserve No. 759 created November 22, 1924, are hereby restored to disposition under any applicable public land law, subject to the provisions of section 24 of the Federal Power Act of June 10, 1920 (41 Stat. 1075; 16 U. S. C. 818) as amended:

GILA AND SALT RIVER MERIDIAN

T. 6 S., R. 31 E.,
Sec. 20, S½NE¼, SE¼NW¼, N½SE¼,
SE¼SE¼, NE¼SW¼.

The lands described aggregate 280.00 acres.

The lands are located east of the Gila River with the closest point more than a half mile away. They are rough and mountainous and not subject to cultivation.

The lands described shall be subject to application by the State of Arizona for a period of ninety days from the date of publication of this order in the FEDERAL REGISTER for rights-of-way for public highways or as a source of material for the construction of such highways, as provided by section 24 of the Federal Power Act, as amended.

This order shall not otherwise become effective to change the status of such land until 10:00 a. m. on the 91st day after the date of publication. At that time the said lands shall become subject to application, petition, and selection, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, the requirements of applicable law, and the 90-day preference right filing period for veterans and others entitled to preference under the act of September 27, 1944 (58 Stat. 747; 43 U. S. C. 279-284), as amended.

Information showing the period during which, and the conditions under

which veterans and others may file applications on the lands may be obtained on request from the U. S. Land and Survey Office, Phoenix, Arizona.

E. R. SMITH,
Regional Administrator.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10055; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:45 a. m.]

ALASKA

SMALL TRACT CLASSIFICATION ORDER NO. 77

NOVEMBER 20, 1953.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me under section 2.21 of Order No. 1, Bureau of Land Management, Region VII, approved by the Acting Secretary of the Interior August 20, 1951 (16 F. R. 8625) I hereby classify as hereinafter indicated under the Small Tract Act of June 1, 1938 (52 Stat. 609, 43 U. S. C. Sec. 682a), as amended, the following described public lands in the Anchorage, Alaska Land District:

TALKEETNA AREA

SEWARD MERIDIAN

T. 26 N., R. 4 W.

Section 29: Lot 2, NE¼NW¼.

The land described above is included in the Homestead Entry of Charles J. Teller, Anchorage 019880.

T. 26 N., R. 4 W.
Section 29: Lot 1,
Section 30: Lot 3, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

The land described above is included in the Homestead Entry of Kyle R. Hare, Anchorage 019545.

Containing approximately 182.49 acres. Subject to valid existing rights and the provisions of existing withdrawals, this order shall not become effective to permit the initiation of any rights or any disposition under the public land laws until it is so provided by an order to be issued by the Chief, Division of Land Planning, Bureau of Land Management, Region VII, Anchorage, Alaska, opening the lands to application under the Small Tract Act of June 1, 1938 (52 Stat. 609, 43 U. S. C. Sec. 682a) as amended, with a ninety-one day preference right period for filing such applications by veterans of World War II and other qualified persons entitled to preference under the Act of September 27, 1944 (58 Stat. 747, 43 U. S. C. Sec. 279) as amended.

FRED J. WELLER,
Chief,
Division of Land Planning.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10056; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:45 a. m.]

[Docket No. DA-410]

STATE OF IDAHO

RESTORATION ORDER UNDER FEDERAL POWER ACT

NOVEMBER 20, 1953.

Pursuant to determination DA-410, Idaho, of the Federal Power Commission and in accordance with Order No. 427, section 2.22 (a) (4) of the Director, Bureau of Land Management, approved August 16, 1950, 15 F. R. 5641, it is ordered as follows:

Subject to valid existing rights and the provisions of existing withdrawals the lands hereinafter described so far as they are withdrawn and reserved for power purposes are hereby restored under location, entry or selection under the public land laws subject to the provisions of section 24 of the Federal Power Act of June 10, 1920 (41 Stat. 1075; 16 U. S. C. sec. 818) as amended, and subject to the stipulation that if the lands, or any of them, are required for power purposes, any structures or improvements located thereon which may be found to interfere with such development will be removed or relocated without expense to the United States, its licensees or permittees.

IDAHO, BOISE MERIDIAN

T. 3 N., R. 41 E.,
Sec. 10, Lots 1 and 2,
Sec. 11, Lots 2, 3, 4, N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$,
Sec. 15, Lots 6, 7, 8, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

The areas described aggregate 277.80 acres.

The lands described lie on the north bank of the Snake River at an elevation of 5,000 feet and the topography is rough and rocky. The lands are sub-marginal in character and are classified for reten-

tion in public ownership under Bureau of Land Management administration for range management and public recreational uses. While any application that is filed will be considered on its merits, it is unlikely that any part of the restored land will be classified for any use or purpose other than that shown above.

The land described shall be subject to application by the State of Idaho for a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this order in the FEDERAL REGISTER for right-of-way for public highways or as a source of materials for the construction of such highways, subject to section 24 of the Federal Power Act as amended, and the special stipulations herein provided. This order shall not otherwise affect the status of the land until 10:00 a. m. on the 91st day after the date of publication of this order in the FEDERAL REGISTER. At that time the land shall become subject to application, petition, location and selection, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, the requirements of applicable laws, and the 90-day preference filing period for veterans and others entitled to preference under the act of September 27, 1944 (58 Stat. 747; 43 U. S. C. sec. 279-284) as amended.

Information showing the periods during which and the conditions under which veterans and others may file applications for these lands may be obtained on request in the Land and Survey Office, Boise, Idaho.

W. G. GUERNSEY,
Regional Administrator.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10057; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:45 a. m.]

Office of the Secretary

[Order No. 2740]

COMMISSIONER OF RECLAMATION

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO APPROVE EXCHANGE OR AMENDMENT OF UNPATENTED FARM UNITS

NOVEMBER 21, 1953.

SECTION 1. *Delegation of authority.* The Commissioner of Reclamation, in accordance with the act of August 13, 1953 (67 Stat. 566), and regulations issued thereunder, may approve the exchange or amendment of unpatented farm units on Federal irrigation projects or farm units of resident owners of private land who may receive the benefits of the act of August 13, 1953, and perform all other acts necessary to effect their exchange or amendment.

SEC. 2. *Redelegation.* The Commissioner of Reclamation may, in writing, redelegate to an Assistant Commissioner of Reclamation, or an official in charge of an office, region, division, district or project of the Bureau of Reclamation, the authority granted in section 1 of this order.

(Sec. 12, Act of August 13, 1953, 67 Stat. 568)

DOUGLAS MCKAY,
Secretary of the Interior

[F. R. Doc. 53-10058; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:45 a. m.]

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

DISASTER ASSISTANCE; DELINEATION AND CERTIFICATION OF DROUGHT AREAS

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator of the Federal Civilian Defense Administration (18 F. R. 4609) and for the purposes of section 2 (d) of Public Law 38, 81st Congress, as amended by Public Law 115, 83d Congress, the leeward areas of each of the Hawaiian Islands are determined as of November 16, 1953, to be in the area affected by the major disaster occasioned by drought determined by the President on November 10, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 875, 81st Congress.

Done this 27th day of November 1953.

[SEAL] TRUE D. MORSE,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10073; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:48 a. m.]

COLORADO

DISASTER ASSISTANCE; DELINEATION AND CERTIFICATION OF COUNTIES CONTAINED IN DROUGHT AREA

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator of the Federal Civilian Defense Administration (18 F. R. 4609) and for the purposes of section 2 (d) of Public Law 38, 81st Congress, as amended by Public Law 115, 83d Congress, the following additional county and parts of two other counties are determined as of November 12, 1953, to be in the area affected by the major disaster occasioned by drought determined by the President on July 1, 1953, pursuant to Public Law 875, 81st Congress:

COLORADO

El Paso.

Custer (only that part lying East and North of San Isabel National Forest).

Fremont (only that part lying East of Range 72 West).

Done this 27th day of November 1953.

[SEAL] TRUE D. MORSE,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10093; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:53 a. m.]

Production and Marketing Administration

JIM HOOVER SALES PAVILION, STERLING, COLO., AND COOK BROTHERS LIVESTOCK COMMISSION MARKET, ALEXANDRIA, LA.

DEPOSITING OF STOCKYARDS

It has been ascertained that the Jim Hoover Sales Pavilion, Sterling, Colorado, originally posted on October 27, 1951, under the name Platte Valley Livestock Commission Company, and the Cook Brothers Livestock Commission Market, Alexandria, Louisiana, originally posted on November 1, 1938, under the name Cook & Caldwell Commission Market, as being subject to the Packers and Stock-

yards Act, 1921, as amended (7 U. S. C. 181 et seq.) no longer come within the definition of a stockyard under said act for the reason that they are no longer being conducted or operated as public livestock markets. Therefore, notice is given to the owners of the stockyards and to the public that such livestock markets are no longer subject to the provisions of the act.

Notice of public rule making has not preceded promulgation of the foregoing rule since it is found that the giving of such notice would prevent the due and timely administration of the Packers and Stockyards Act and would, therefore, be impractical. There is no legal warrant or justification for not deposing promptly a stockyard which no longer is within the definition of that term contained in said act.

The foregoing is in the nature of a rule granting an exemption or relieving a restriction and, therefore, may be made effective in less than 30 days after publication thereof in the FEDERAL REGISTER. This notice shall become effective upon publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

(42 Stat. 159, as amended and supplemented; 7 U. S. C. 181 et seq.)

Done at Washington, D. C., this 25th day of November 1953.

[SEAL] - DAVID M. PETTUS,
Acting Director Livestock
Branch, Production and Mar-
keting Administration.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10092; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953;
8:53 a. m.]

CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD

[Docket No. 6411 et al.]

AMERICAN AIRLINES, INC., ET AL.

NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

In the matter of an investigation instituted by the Board to determine whether the public convenience and necessity require, and whether the Board should order, the temporary suspension of American's authority to serve Ann Arbor, Battle Creek, Jackson, Kalamazoo and South Bend, in the event the temporary certificates of North Central and/or Lake Central are amended to include the said points, or any combination of said points, on a route segment between Chicago and Detroit.

Notice is hereby given that a prehearing conference in the above-entitled proceeding is assigned to be held on December 14, 1953, at 10:00 a. m., e. s. t., in Room E-210, Temporary Building No. 5, Sixteenth Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, D. C., before Examiner James S. Keith.

Dated at Washington, D. C., November 27, 1953.

[SEAL] FRANCIS W. BROWN,
Chief Examiner.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10085; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953;
8:52 a. m.]

[Docket No. 4882]

REOPENED NEW YORK-BALBOA THROUGH SERVICE PROCEEDING

NOTICE OF ORAL ARGUMENT

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended, that oral argument in the above-entitled proceeding is assigned to be held on December 17, 1953, at 10:00 a. m., e. s. t., in Room 5042, Commerce Building, Constitution Avenue, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth Streets NW., Washington, D. C., before the Board.

Dated at Washington, D. C., November 27, 1953.

[SEAL] FRANCIS W. BROWN,
Chief Examiner

[F. R. Doc. 53-10088; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[Docket No. 10740]

ROBERT V. H. SUGDEN

ORDER CONTINUING HEARING

In the matter of Robert V. H. Sugden, Yuma, Arizona, order to show cause why the license of Special Industrial Station KOG-285 should not be revoked.

The Commission having under consideration a motion filed on November 23, 1953, by the Chief, Safety and Special Radio Services Bureau, Federal Com-

munications Commission, requesting that the hearing presently scheduled for December 1, 1953, at Washington, D. C., be continued to a date later to be specified; and

It appearing, that good cause has been shown for a continuance in this matter, but that a designated date for such continued hearing should be set by this order.

It is ordered, This 24th day of November 1953, that the motion for continuance is granted, and that the hearing scheduled to be held in this matter on December 1, 1953, is continued to December 11, 1953, at 10:00 a. m. in the offices of the Commission at Washington, D. C.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS
COMMISSION,

[SEAL] WM. P. MASSING,
Acting Secretary.

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[Change List No. 8]

CUBA BROADCAST STATIONS

NOTIFICATION OF NEW STATIONS, CHANGES, MODIFICATIONS AND DELETIONS

OCTOBER 27, 1953.

Notification of new Cuban radio stations, and of changes, modifications and deletions of existing stations, in accordance with Part III, section F of the North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement, Washington, D. C., 1950.

REPUBLIC OF CUBA

Call letters	Location	Power (kw.)	Antenna	Schedule	Class	Proposed date of change or commencement of operation
CMDL....	Holguin, Oriente (increase in daytime power from 0.25 kw.).	1150 kilocycles 1-D/0.25-N....	ND	U	III	Dec. 27, 1953
CMKT....	Victoria de las Tunas, Oriente (change in location from Holguin, Oriente).	1520 kilocycles 1-D/0.25-N....	ND.	U	II	Dec. 24, 1953

[SEAL]

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION,
WM. P. MASSING,
Acting Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10084; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953; 8:51 a. m.]

FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. E-6525, E-6528]

GULF STATES UTILITIES CO. AND IOWA
POWER AND LIGHT CO.

NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL ORDERS

NOVEMBER 25, 1953.

Notice is hereby given that on November 24, 1953, the Federal Power Commission issued its orders adopted November 23, 1953, authorizing issuance of securities in the above-entitled matters.

[SEAL] LEON M. FUQUAY,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10061; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953;
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[Docket Nos. E-6534, E-6535]

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE CO. AND EMPIRE
DISTRICT ELECTRIC CO.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOVEMBER 25, 1953.

Take notice that on November 20, 1953, applications were filed with the Federal Power Commission pursuant to section 203 of the Federal Power Act by the Empire District Electric Company (hereinafter called Empire), a Kansas corporation doing business in the States of Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma, with its principal business office at Joplin, Missouri, and by Missouri Public Service Company (hereinafter called Public Service) a Missouri corporation with its principal place of

business at Warrensburg, Missouri, seeking an order authorizing the sale by Empire of certain of its facilities to Public Service, and the acquisition and merger of such facilities by Public Service.

Empire proposes to sell, and Public Service seeks to acquire and to merge with its existing facilities, a certain 69 kv electric transmission line extending from the Benton Hickory County line in the State of Missouri for a distance of approximately 27.4 miles northward to a point west of Cole Camp, Missouri, together with a certain 2,000 kva 69/2.3 kv step-down substation located adjacent to the point of termination of the said transmission line. Subject to approval of the Commission, Public Service proposes to pay for the above-described facilities \$80,259.50 in cash, an amount stated by Empire to represent the aggregate depreciated original cost thereof; all as more fully appears in the applications on file with the Commission.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with respect to said applications should on or before the 15th day of December 1953, file with the Federal Power Commission, Washington 25, D. C., a petition or protest in accordance with the Commission's rules of practice and procedure. The applications are on file with the Commission for public inspection.

[SEAL] LEON M. FUQUAY,
Secretary.

[F. R. Doc. 53-10063; Filed, Dec. 1, 1953;
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[Docket No. G-2307]

ARKANSAS LOUISIANA GAS CO.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOVEMBER 24, 1953.

Take notice that on November 10, 1953 Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company (Applicant) a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in Shreveport, Louisiana, filed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the construction and operation of certain facilities for the transportation and sale of natural gas, all as hereinafter described.

The facilities which Applicant proposes to construct and operate include the following:

(a) A 10,500 horsepower compressor station located in Columbia County, Arkansas, near the town of Taylor, Arkansas.

(b) Approximately 7.8 miles of 8 $\frac{5}{8}$ " O. D. pipeline from the end of existing Line LT-1 extending in a northerly direction to Arkansas Power & Light Company's Stamps Plant in Columbia County, Arkansas, together with the necessary meter and scrubber facilities.

(c) Approximately 6 miles of 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ " O. D. loop line extending from existing Perla Regulating Station northwesterly, parallel to existing line LM-2 located in Hot Spring County, Arkansas.

(d) Approximately 0.56 mile of reclaimed 16" O. D. pipeline from Station

503 52 on existing Line AM-108 extending in an easterly direction for approximately 1,711 feet and in a northerly direction for approximately 1,229 feet to Arkansas Power & Light Company's new Lynch Plant located in Pulaska County, Arkansas, together with the necessary meter and scrubber facilities.

(e) Approximately 19 miles of 20" O. D. pipeline, starting at a point on Line "S" at Applicant's Waskom Gasoline Plant and extending in a southwesterly direction to Applicant's Carthage Gasoline Plant, and approximately 14.7 miles of 16" O. D. pipeline, extending in a southwesterly direction from said Carthage Gasoline Plant to the gasoline plant of the Carthage Corporation, thence to the Panola Gasoline Plant of Arkansas Fuel Oil Corporation, together with the necessary metering facilities.

(f) Approximately 13.8 miles of 20" O. D. pipeline replacing 13.8 miles of 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ " O. D. pipe in existing Line LM-4 extending from Bauxite, Arkansas, in a northeasterly direction to the junction of Line LM-4 and Line AM-108, located in Pulaska County, Arkansas.

(g) Approximately 24.2 miles of 24" O. D. loop pipeline extending from proposed Taylor Compressor Station southwesterly parallel to existing Line "S" located in Columbia County, Arkansas, Webster Parish, Louisiana and Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

(h) Approximately 6.2 miles of 24" O. D. loop pipeline extending from proposed Taylor Compressor Station northeasterly parallel to existing Line "S" located in Columbia County, Arkansas.

(i) Approximately 15.8 miles of 24" O. D. loop pipeline extending from existing Bierne Compressor Station northeasterly parallel to existing Lines "S", "A" and "L" located in Clark County, Arkansas.

The application recites that:

The facilities here proposed to be constructed are urgently required to enable Applicant to keep abreast of the constantly increasing natural gas requirements of customers of Applicant's present system. During 1950, Applicant served an average of 181,036 customers in its distribution plants. During 1953, it is estimated that an average of 217,206 customers will be served, and during 1956 an average of 256,902. This is a gain, between 1950 and 1956, of 75,866 customers (41.9 percent), of whom 70,073 are residential, 5,650 are commercial, and 143 are industrial.

Further comparison between 1956 (estimated) and 1950 shows an increase in system requirements (sales plus company used and unaccounted for gas) of 79,502,287 Mcf, amounting to 56.6 percent.

The estimated cost of Applicant's proposed project approximates \$1,190,184. Such facilities will be financed from funds on hand, from funds provided from internal sources and to the extent necessary to the issuance of securities.

Protests or petitions to intervene may be filed with the Federal Power Commission, Washington 25, D. C., in accordance with the Commission's rules of practice and procedure (18 CFR 1.8 or

1.10) on or before the 14th day of December 1953.

[SEAL] LEON M. FUQUAY,
Secretary.

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HOUSING AND HOME FINANCE AGENCY

Office of the Administrator

ASSISTANT REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE,
REGION II, ATLANTA, GA.

REDELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO PERFORM FUNCTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH DEFENSE HOUSING AUTHORIZED UNDER HHFA REGULATION CR 3

The Assistant Regional Representative, Region II, is hereby authorized, within the area under his jurisdiction, to take any action which it is necessary or appropriate for the Housing and Home Finance Administrator to take in the administration of Housing and Home Finance Agency Regulation CR 3 (as amended and revised July 18, 1953, 17 F. R. 6585, with any subsequent amendments thereto) with respect to releasing applicants or their successors from their obligations under CR 3:

- (a) To hold for rent structures containing one-family dwelling units,
- (b) To hold any dwelling units for sale, and
- (c) To exclusively offer any dwelling units to eligible defense workers.

(Delegation of Authority, effective October 2, 1953, 18 F. R. 6324 (October 2, 1953))

Effective this 20th day of November 1953.

[SEAL] J. H. DUFOY,
Regional Representative, Region II.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[File No. 70-3146]

DELAWARE POWER & LIGHT CO.

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER PERMITTING DECLARATION TO BECOME EFFECTIVE

NOVEMBER 25, 1953.

Delaware Power & Light Company ("Delaware") a registered holding company and a public utility company, having filed a declaration pursuant to section 7 of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 regarding the issuance and sale of 232,520 shares of its Common Stock, par value \$13.50 per share, which will be offered to stockholders in accordance with their preemptive rights at a subscription price fixed by Delaware and upon the basis of one share for each seven shares; and such declaration stating that transferable warrants evidencing the right to subscribe will be issued to common stockholders of record as of the close of business on November 25, 1953, that subject to such rights of the stockholders, the

stock will also be offered at the subscription price to employees of Delaware and its subsidiaries in an amount not exceeding 150 shares per employee, and that Delaware will, pursuant to the competitive bidding requirements of Rule U-50, invite competitive bids for the purchase at the subscription price of such shares as are not subscribed for by the stockholders and employees, such bids specifying the compensation to be paid to the successful bidders for purchasing such shares at the subscription price; and

The Commission by order dated November 17, 1953, having permitted the declaration to become effective subject to the condition among others that the proposed issuance and sale of stock shall not be consummated until the subscription price and the results of competitive bidding pursuant to Rule U-50 shall have been made a matter of record in this proceeding and a further order shall have been entered with respect thereto; and jurisdiction having been reserved over the payment of fees and expenses to be incurred in connection with the proposed transaction; and

Delaware having on November 25, 1953, filed an amendment to said declaration specifying a subscription price of \$24 per share and having received the following bids for shares not subscribed for by stockholders or employees:

Name of bidder	Amount of compensation to bidder	Net aggregate proceeds to Delaware
W. C. Langley & Co. and Union Securities Corp.....	\$27,900.00	\$5,552,580.00
Kidder Peabody & Co.....	30,884.00	5,549,596.00
Carl M. Loeb, Rhodes & Co.....	31,251.42	5,549,228.58
Blyth & Co., Inc.....	39,528.00	5,540,952.00
White, Weld & Co.....	43,481.24	5,535,998.76
Lehman Bros.....	44,178.80	5,535,301.20

The amendment further stating that Delaware has accepted the bid of W. C. Langley & Co. and Union Securities Corporation for the common stock as set forth above; and

The amendment further setting forth fees and expenses estimated to be incurred by Delaware in connection with the proposed transaction as follows: \$27,000 for filing, listing, printing, taxes, etc., \$5,000 to Berl, Potter & Anderson, Counsel for Delaware; \$3,000 for the services of Drexel & Co., financial adviser; \$25,000 for fees and expenses of transfer and warrant agents; and not in excess of \$5,000 to Townsend, Elliott & Munson, Counsel for underwriters, which fee is to be paid by the underwriters; and

The Commission having examined said amendment and having considered the record herein and finding no basis for imposing terms and conditions with respect to the price to be received for said stock and the compensation to be paid the underwriters for their purchase of said stock; and

It appearing that the fees and expenses, if not in excess of the estimate, are not unreasonable, and that jurisdiction with respect thereto should be released.

It is hereby ordered, That the declaration, as amended, be permitted to become

effective forthwith, and that the jurisdiction heretofore reserved with respect to the subscription price of the common stock and the results of competitive bidding pursuant to Rule U-50, and in respect of all fees and expenses, be, and the same hereby is, released, subject, however, to the terms and conditions prescribed in Rule U-24.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DuBOIS,
Secretary.

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[File No. 813-17]

TREFORD CORP.

NOTICE OF FILING OF APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM THE ACT AS EMPLOYEES' SECURITIES COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that Treford Corporation ("Treford") a New York corporation, has filed an application pursuant to section 6 (b) of the act for an order exempting it as an employees securities company, from all of the provisions of the act, or, in the alternative, exempting it from the following sections of the act and the rules promulgated thereunder: Section 7, section 8 except that Treford shall file the information called for by Part V of Form N-8B-1 entitled "Policy of Registrant" section 10 (a) section 14, section 17 (a) to the extent that Treford shall be permitted to purchase from Edward J. Devlin, Jr., the balance of his stock of Walter B. Cooke, Inc. ("Cooke") pursuant to a contract entered into by Treford and said Devlin on July 30, 1953, section 17 (f) and Rule N-17F-2, section 20 (a) and Rule N-20A-1, section 23 (b) section 23 (c) and Rule N-23C-1, section 30 (a) and Rule N-30A-1 other than the requirement to file the information called for by Part V of Form N-30A-1 entitled "Policy of Registrant" section 30 (d) and Rule N-30D-1 to the extent that Treford shall be permitted to transmit reports to stockholders annually instead of semi-annually, section 30 (f) and Rule N-30F-2 to the extent that a person required to file such reports more often than once each six months, and section 32 (a)

Treford was organized on June 19, 1953, and to date has issued and sold 5,810 shares at a price of \$50 per share. Treford was formed for the purpose of enabling the employees of Cooke and Hygrade Casket Corporation ("Hygrade") to acquire and operate respective businesses, which are the operation of a chain of funeral homes and the manufacture and sale of caskets, respectively.

On July 30, 1953, Treford entered into an agreement with Devlin, who with his wife owned 58.77 percent of Cooke and Hygrade, under which Treford agreed to purchase 178 shares (19.83 percent) of the outstanding stock of Cooke, for \$198,328 (\$1,114.21 per share) and obtained an option to purchase in lots of not less than 10 shares the balance of

Devlin's holdings of 349½ shares of Cooke for a price of \$1,114.21 per share. The balance of the Cooke stock is owned by members of Devlin's immediate family, and the estate of a deceased brother. In an event Treford fails to exercise the option, Devlin has the right to buy back all of the shares theretofore purchased by Treford pursuant to said option at the same price per share. This does not include the original purchase of 178 shares. Until the option is fully exercised or until the death of Devlin, the shares of Cooke purchased by Treford are to be held in a Voting Trust of which Devlin will be the sole Voting Trustee.

Treford issued and sold the 5,810 shares of its common stock referred to above and used the proceeds to pay for its organization and for the initial purchase of Cooke's stock, and to provide for working capital and funds to be applied to the purchase of additional shares of stock of Cooke. Such sales of Treford's stock were made solely to the employees of Cooke and Hygrade, and the application represents that all of Treford's stock is owned beneficially by employees of Cooke and Hygrade. Accordingly, Treford is an employee securities company within the meaning of section 2 (a) (13) (A) of the act.

Section 6 (b) provides that upon application by an employees security company, the Commission shall by order exempt such company from the provisions of the act and of the rules and regulations hereunder, if and to the extent that such exemption is consistent with the protection of investors. In determining the provisions to which such an order shall apply the Commission shall give due weight, among other things, to the form of organization and the capital structure of such company, the persons by whom its voting securities, evidences of indebtedness, and other securities are owned and controlled, the prices at which securities issued by such company are sold and the sales load thereon, the disposition of the proceeds of such sales, the character of the securities in which such proceeds are invested, and any relationship between such company and the issuer of any such security.

Notice is further given that any interested person may, not later than December 4, 1953, at 5:30 p. m., submit to the Commission in writing any facts bearing upon the desirability of a hearing on the matter and may request that a hearing be held, such request stating the nature of his interest, the reasons for such request and the issues, if any, of fact or law proposed to be controverted, or he may request that he be notified if the Commission should order a hearing thereon. Any such communication or request should be addressed: Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 425 Second Street NW., Washington 25, D. C. At any time after said date, the application may be granted as provided in Rule N-5 of the rules and regulations promulgated under the act.

By the Commission.

[SEAL] ORVAL L. DuBOIS,
Secretary.

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