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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

20 CFR Part 320
RIN 3220-AB06

Initial Determinations Under the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act and Reviews of and Appeals From Such Determinations

AGENCY: Railroad Retirement Board.
ACTION: Interim final rule.

SUMMARY: The Railroad Retirement Board (Board) hereby amends its regulations under the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (RUIA) to enlarge the authority of Board district offices to make initial determinations on claims for benefits under the RUIA.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 1, 1995.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas W. Sadler, Assistant General Counsel, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, (312) 751-4513, TDD (312) 751-4701.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 320.6 of the Board's regulations defines the term "adjudicating office" and prescribes the extent of the authority of each such office to make determinations on claims for benefits under the RUIA. Currently, § 320.6(b) authorizes Board district offices to make initial determinations only with respect to certain issues of eligibility for unemployment benefits under the RUIA. Those determination are made on applications and claims for unemployment benefit received in connection with an employee's

registration for unemployment benefits under part 325 of this chapter.

Board district offices have not heretofore been authorized to make determinations on claims for sickness benefits under the RUIA. However, since sickness benefit claimants now file their claims with district offices as part of an agency effort to improve the timeliness of claims processing, the Board is authorizing district offices to make determinations on two issues that often affect eligibility for sickness benefits. The first issue is whether the claimant has filed his or her claim for sickness benefits within the time limit prescribed in § 335.4(c) of part 335 of this chapter; the second issue is whether the claimant has received any form of remuneration, as defined in part 322 of this chapter, with respect to any day claimed as a day of sickness within the 14-day calendar period covered by the claim. Previously, these determinations were made only in the Division of Program Operations of the Bureau of Unemployment and Sickness Insurance. Authorizing Board district offices to make these two types of determinations will expedite the processing and payment of sickness benefits to those persons found properly entitled to payment.

The Board is publishing these amendments as a final rule because the amendments represent organizational changes only and do not affect the substantive rights of any person claiming sickness benefits under the RUIA. However, any person wishing to comment on the amendments may do so within 30 days of the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The Board has determined, with the concurrence of the Office of Management and Budget, that this is not a significant regulatory action for purposes of Executive Order 12866. There are no information collections associated with this rule.

List of Subjects in 20 CFR Part 320

Railroad employees, Railroad unemployment benefits.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, title 20, chapter II, part 320 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 320—INITIAL DETERMINATIONS UNDER THE RAILROAD UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT AND REVIEWS OF AND APPEALS FROM SUCH DETERMINATIONS

1. The authority citation for part 320 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 45 U.S.C. 355 and 362(1).

2. Section 320.6 is amended by revising paragraphs (b) and (d) to read as follows:

§ 320.6 Adjudicating office.

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(b) *District offices.* Board district offices are authorized to make initial determinations on the following issues relating to eligibility for unemployment or sickness benefits, as the case may be:

- (1) Availability for work;
- (2) Voluntary leaving of work, with or without good cause;
- (3) Failure to accept work or apply for work or failure to report to an employment office;
- (4) Timely registration for unemployment benefits under § 325.2 of this chapter and timely filing of claims for sickness benefits under § 335.4(c) of this chapter;
- (5) Receipt of remuneration for claimed days of unemployment or sickness, as the case may be;
- (6) Mileage or work restrictions and stand-by or lay-over rules;
- (7) Whether the claimant's unemployment is due to a strike.

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(d) *Division of Program Operations.* The Division of Program Operations,

Bureau of Unemployment and Sickness Insurance, is authorized to make initial determinations on all issues of eligibility for unemployment and sickness benefits as set forth in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, and on any other issue not reserved to the Director by paragraph (e) of this section.

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Dated: May 23, 1995.

By Authority of the Board.

Beatrice Ezerski,

Secretary to the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

31 CFR Part 0

Employee Rules of Conduct

AGENCY: Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Interim rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury is issuing the Employee Rules of Conduct which will prescribe uniform rules of conduct and procedure for all employees and officials in the Department.

DATES: This interim rule is effective June 1, 1995. Comments must be received or postmarked on or before July 3, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be submitted to the Office of the Assistant General Counsel (General Law and Ethics), Department of the Treasury, Room 1410, Washington, DC 20220, Attention: Mr. R. Peter Rittling or by e-mail at the following address Peter.Rittling@treas.sprint.com.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen J. McHale, Henry H. Booth, or R. Peter Rittling, Office of the Assistant General Counsel (General Law and Ethics), Department of the Treasury, telephone (202) 622-0450, FAX (202) 622-1176, e-mail Peter.Rittling@treas.sprint.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On August 7, 1992, the Office of Government Ethics (OGE) published the Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch (5 CFR Part 2635). The Executive Branch-wide Standards became effective on February 3, 1993, superseding many, but not all, of the Department-wide conduct rules published at 31 CFR Part 0 (see also the grace period extension at 59 FR 4779-4780, February 2, 1994). This rule making repeals part 0 in its

entirety and issues a new part 0. The new part 0 includes conduct rules previously published in part 0 that were not superseded and continue to be important to the efficient functioning of the Department. Many of the regulations included in the Rules of Conduct have been revised pursuant to changes in the law or Department policy.

Simultaneously, in a separate rule making, the Department is issuing as a final rule the Supplemental Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Department of the Treasury. The Supplemental Standards, to be codified at 5 CFR chapter XXI, prescribe Department-specific ethics regulations supplemental to the Executive Branch-wide Standards.

II. Analysis of the Regulations

Subpart A—General Provisions

The provisions contained in subpart A state the policy and purpose of the Rules of Conduct and the responsibilities of the Department's employees and officials in implementing and complying with the included regulations. Subpart A also includes a definitional section. The United States Savings Bonds Division is omitted from the definition of Bureau in § 0.103 because it was assumed into the Bureau of the Public Debt and no longer exists as a separate component of the Department.

Subpart B—Rules of Conduct

Subpart B sets out the conduct regulations that all Department employees and officials are required to follow. Generally, the rules regulate employee conduct including, for example, the use of Government vehicles or the use of controlled substances and intoxicants while an employee is on duty or on Government property. Regulations concerning conflicts of interest and ethics are contained in the Executive Branch-wide Standards and the Treasury Supplemental Standards.

Subpart C—Special Government Employees

Section 0.301 of subpart C explains that, with little variation, special Government employees employed with the Department are required to comply with the Rules of Conduct to the same degree as regular employees. Further, § 0.303 requires a special Government employee, serving concurrently with another Federal agency, to inform the Department of that fact so that the Department may take the appropriate administrative actions and avoid any conflict in duties or remuneration.

Subpart D—Advisers to the Department

Subpart D includes a definition of adviser to the Department and instructs individuals uncertain about their relationship with the Department to seek advice from the appropriate ethics official. Further, § 0.401(b) explains that it is the Department's policy that advisers should refer to the Rules of Conduct for guidance when working with the Department even though they are not required to follow the Rules.

III. Matters of Regulatory Procedure

Administrative Procedure Act

The Department finds that good cause exists for waiving the notice and comment requirements contained in 5 U.S.C. 553(b) and (d). The Department of the Treasury Employee Rules of Conduct contain statements of policy, interpretive rules, and conduct regulations relating solely to agency management and personnel. Moreover, this rule making essentially reissues in revised form many of the conduct rules previously published in 31 CFR Part 0. However, because this rule may be improved, comments may be submitted on or before July 3, 1995. All comments will be analyzed and any appropriate changes to the rule will be incorporated in the subsequent publication of the final rule.

Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review

This rule is limited to agency organization, management and personnel matters; therefore, it is not subject to Executive Order 12866.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

It is hereby certified that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This rule affects only Federal employees.

List of Subjects in 31 CFR Part 0

Government employees.

Dated: January 29, 1995.

Edward S. Knight,

General Counsel, Department of the Treasury.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, 31 CFR part 0 is revised to read as follows:

PART 0—DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY EMPLOYEE RULES OF CONDUCT

Subpart A—General Provisions

Sec.

0.101 Purpose.

0.102 Policy.

0.103 Definitions.