

areas would no longer be released by the BLS at the same time as the monthly national labor force statistics, but would be published about four weeks later in the State and Metropolitan Area Employment and Unemployment news release. States that are able to do so will have the option of releasing these data earlier, perhaps even simultaneously with the release of national data. Monthly data for these States also will become subject to end-of-year benchmarking.

The impact of the CPS sample cut on the national statistics would be to increase the variability of most national estimates by about 5 percent. For example, under the reduced sample, a month-to-month change of 0.19 percentage points in the national unemployment rate would represent a statistically significant change at the 90-percent confidence level; the corresponding change under the current design is 0.18 percent.

Detailed descriptions of the estimating methods are available at the above address.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 30th day of October, 1995.

Thomas J. Plewes,

Associate Commissioner for Employment and Unemployment Statistics, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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Employment Standards Administration

Wage and Hour Division; Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR Part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional

statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and supersede as decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from their date of notice in the Federal Register, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR Parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts," shall be the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.

Any person, organization, or governmental agency having an interest in the rates determined as prevailing is encouraged to submit wage rate and fringe benefit information for consideration by the Department. Further information and self-explanatory forms for the purpose of submitting this data may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Wage and Hour Division, Division of Wage Determinations, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room S-3014, Washington, D.C. 20210.

New General Wage Determination Decisions

The number of the decisions added to the Government Printing Office document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts" are listed by Volume and State:

Volume IV:

Michigan

MI950030 (Nov. 3, 1995)

Modifications to General Wage Determination Decisions

The number of decisions listed in the Government Printing Office document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts" being modified are listed by Volume and State. Dates of publication in the Federal Register are in parentheses following the decisions being modified.

Volume I:

Connecticut

CT950001 (Feb. 10, 1995)

CT950003 (Feb. 10, 1995)

CT950004 (Feb. 10, 1995)

CT950008 (Feb. 10, 1995)

Massachusetts

MA950007 (Feb. 10, 1995)

MA950021 (Feb. 10, 1995)

Volume II:

Pennsylvania

PA950042 (Feb. 10, 1995)

Volume III:

None

Volume IV:

Michigan

MI950001 (Feb. 10, 1995)

Minnesota

MN950007 (Feb. 10, 1995)

MN950017 (Feb. 10, 1995)

MN950058 (Feb. 10, 1995)

MN950059 (Feb. 10, 1995)

Volume V:

Nebraska

NE950001 (Feb. 10, 1995)

NE950003 (Feb. 10, 1995)

NE950010 (Feb. 10, 1995)

NE950011 (Feb. 10, 1995)

NE950059 (Feb. 10, 1995)

Texas

TX950002 (Feb. 10, 1995)

TX950014 (Feb. 10, 1995)

TX950051 (Feb. 10, 1995)

Volume VI:

Utah

UT950024 (Feb. 10, 1995)

General Wage Determination Publication

General wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts, including those noted above, may be found in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage

Determinations Issued Under The Davis-Bacon and Related Acts". This publication is available at each of the 50 Region Government Depository Libraries and many of the 1,400 Government Depository Libraries across the county.

The general wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts are available electronically by subscription to the FedWorld Bulletin Board System of the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) of the U.S. Department of Commerce at (703) 487-4630.

Hard-copy subscriptions may be purchased from: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, (202) 512-1800.

When ordering hard-copy subscription(s), be sure to specify the State(s) of interest, since subscriptions may be ordered for any or all of the six separate volumes, arranged by State. Subscriptions include an annual edition (issued in January or February) which includes all current general wage determinations for the States covered by each volume. Throughout the remainder of the year, regular weekly updates are distributed to subscribers.

Signed at Washington, DC this 27th day of October 1995.

Philip J. Gloss,

Chief, Branch of Construction Wage Determinations.

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Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

[Application No. D-10027, et al.]

Proposed Exemptions; Concord Hospital Capital Region

AGENCY: Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice of proposed exemptions.

SUMMARY: This document contains notices of pendency before the Department of Labor (the Department) of proposed exemptions from certain of the prohibited transaction restriction of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (the Act) and/or the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the Code).

Written Comments and Hearing Requests

Unless otherwise stated in the Notice of Proposed Exemption, all interested persons are invited to submit written comments, and with respect to exemptions involving the fiduciary prohibitions of section 406(b) of the Act,

requests for hearing within 45 days from the date of publication of this Federal Register Notice. Comments and request for a hearing should state: (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the person making the comment or request, and (2) the nature of the person's interest in the exemption and the manner in which the person would be adversely affected by the exemption. A request for a hearing must also state the issues to be addressed and include a general description of the evidence to be presented at the hearing. A request for a hearing must also state the issues to be addressed and include a general description of the evidence to be presented at the hearing.

ADDRESSES: All written comments and request for a hearing (at least three copies) should be sent to the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Office of Exemption Determinations, Room N-5649, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210. Attention: Application No. stated in each Notice of Proposed Exemption. The applications for exemption and the comments received will be available for public inspection in the Public Documents Room of Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5507, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210.

Notice to Interested Persons

Notice of the proposed exemptions will be provided to all interested persons in the manner agreed upon by the applicant and the Department within 15 days of the date of publication in the Federal Register. Such notice shall include a copy of the notice of proposed exemption as published in the Federal Register and shall inform interested persons of their right to comment and to request a hearing (where appropriate).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed exemptions were requested in applications filed pursuant to section 408(a) of the Act and/or section 4975(c)(2) of the Code, and in accordance with procedures set forth in 29 CFR Part 2570, Subpart B (55 FR 32836, 32847, August 10, 1990). Effective December 31, 1978, section 102 of Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1978 (43 FR 47713, October 17, 1978) transferred the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury to issue exemptions of the type requested to the Secretary of Labor. Therefore, these notices of proposed exemption are issued solely by the Department.

The applications contain representations with regard to the

proposed exemptions which are summarized below. Interested persons are referred to the applications on file with the Department for a complete statement of the facts and representations.

Retirement Plan for Employees of Concord Hospital Capital Region Healthcare Corp. (the Plan) Located in Concord, New Hampshire

[Application No. D-10027]

Proposed Exemption

The Department is considering granting an exemption under the authority of section 408(a) of the Act and section 4975(c)(2) of the Code and in accordance with the procedures set forth in 29 CFR Part 2570, Subpart B (55 FR 32836, 32847, August 10, 1990). If the exemption is granted, the restrictions of section 406(a), 406(b)(1) and (b)(2) of the Act and the sanctions resulting from the application of section 4975 of the Code, by reason of section 4975(c)(1)(A) through (E) of the Code, shall not apply to: (1) the July 7, July 13, July 18, August 19, and August 22, 1994, transfers (the Transfers) to the Plan of \$7,376,039 of publicly-traded securities from non-ERISA accounts (the Accounts) of Concord Hospital, Inc. (the Employer) and its parent corporation, Capital Region Health Care Corporation (Capital; collectively, the Applicant); (2) the transfer of \$3,761,319 of publicly-traded securities from the Plan to the Accounts in August of 1994 (the August, 1994 Distributions); and (3) the proposed transfer of approximately \$3.6 million from the Plan to the Accounts (the Proposed Corrective Distribution), provided the following conditions are satisfied: (a) the decision for the Plan to enter the subject transactions was made at the recommendation of the Plan's independent investment advisor; (b) the Plan has not paid and will not pay commissions or other fees in connection with the subject transactions; (c) the transactions involve publicly-traded securities, the fair market values of which were based upon published prices on established markets; and (d) the Plan's independent fiduciary has reviewed the transactions and has determined that the transactions were in the best interest of the Plan and protective of the rights of the participants and beneficiaries of the Plan.

EFFECTIVE DATE: If the proposed exemption is granted, the exemption will be effective July 7, 1994.

Summary of Facts and Representations

1. The Plan is a defined benefit pension plan which has approximately