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GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

4 CFR Part 2

Prohibited Personnel Practices

AGENCY: General Accounting Office.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This rule revises the provision concerning prohibited personnel practices against an applicant or employee with a disability, by eliminating the reference to the Rehabilitation Act and replacing it with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), to clarify that GAO's legal responsibilities to the disabled derive from the ADA rather than the Rehabilitation Act.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 27, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to the U.S. General Accounting Office, Office of General Counsel, Legal Services Division, Room 7861, 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20548.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara J. Simball, Senior Attorney, (202) 512–8404.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A review of GAO's Personnel System regulations has shown that the current version of 4 CFR 2.5(a)(4) should be revised. In prohibiting certain personnel actions against persons with disabilities, 4 CFR 2.5(a)(4) implies that GAO is covered by section 501 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 791). As a legislative branch agency, GAO is not covered by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, but rather by the ADA. The ADA prohibits discrimination against persons with disabilities. 4 CFR 2.5 is being amended to reflect GAO's coverage by the ADA.

List of Subjects in 4 CFR Part 2

Civil rights, Nondiscrimination, Employment, Handicapped.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, part 2 of title 4, chapter I, subchapter A of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 2—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation to part 2 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 31 U.S.C. 732.

2. Section 2.5 is amended by revising paragraph (a)(4) to read as follows:

§ 2.5 Prohibited personnel practices.

(a) * * *

(4) On the basis of disability as prohibited under section 509(c) of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12209(c)); or

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Robert P. Murphy,

General Counsel.

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4 CFR Part 7

Personnel Relations and Services

AGENCY: General Accounting Office. **ACTION:** Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This rule revises the provision concerning GAO's prohibition of discrimination against employees or applicants with disabilities by eliminating the reference to the Rehabilitation Act and replacing it with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), to clarify that GAO's legal responsibilities to the disabled derive from the Americans with Disabilities Act rather than the Rehabilitation Act. DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before 30 days from September 27, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to the U.S. General Accounting Office, Office of General Counsel, Legal Services Division, Room 7861, 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC. 20548. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara J. Simball, Senior Attorney,

(202) 512-8404.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A review of GAO's Personnel Relations regulations has shown that the current version of 4 CFR 7.2(c)(4) should be revised. In setting forth GAO's equal employment opportunity commitments, 4 CFR 7.2(c)(4) implies that GAO is covered by sections 501 and 505 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 791, 794a). As a legislative branch agency, GAO is not covered by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, but rather by

the ADA, which prohibits discrimination against persons with disabilities. 4 CFR 7.2 is being amended to reflect GAO's coverage by the ADA.

List of Subjects in 4 CFR Part 7

Civil rights, Nondiscrimination, Employment, Handicapped.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, part 7 of title 4, chapter I, subchapter A of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 7—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation to part 7 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 31 U.S.C. 732.

2. Section 7.2 is amended by revising paragraph (c)(4) to read as follows:

§7.2 Equal employment opportunity.

(c) ***

(4) By section 509(c) of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12209(c)); or

Robert P. Murphy, *General Counsel*.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

7 CFR Part 905

[Docket No. FV-96-905-2PR]

Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Tangelos Grown in Florida; Procedures to Limit the Volume of Small Florida Red Seedless Grapefruit and Notice of Request for Extension and Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This proposal invites comments on the addition of a section to the rules and regulations currently prescribed under the marketing order for oranges, grapefruit, tangerines, and tangelos grown in Florida. This action also announces the Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) intention to request an extension for and revision to the currently approved information