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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**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 supersedeas decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from the 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, NW., Room S-3014, Washington, DC 20210.

**Modification to General Wage
Determination Decisions**

The number of decisions listed to 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 decision being modified.

Volume I

None

Volume II

None

Volume III

None

Volume IV

Illinois

IL20030018 (Jun. 13, 2003)

Michigan

MI20030001 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030002 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030003 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030004 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030005 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030007 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030008 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030010 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030011 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030012 (Jun. 13, 2003)

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MI20030034 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030035 (Jun. 13, 2003)

MI20030040 (Jun. 13, 2003)

Volume V

Kansas

KS20030001 (Jun. 13, 2003)

Volume VI

Washington

WA20030001 (Jun. 13, 2003)

WA20030002 (Jun. 13, 2003)

WA20030005 (Jun. 13, 2003)

WA20030006 (Jun. 13, 2003)

WA20030008 (Jun. 13, 2003)

WA20030010 (Jun. 13, 2003)

WA20030023 (Jun. 13, 2003)

Volume VII

Nevada

NV20030001 (Jun. 13, 2003)

NV20030009 (Jun. 13, 2003)

**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 Regional Government Depository Libraries and many of the 1,400 Government Depository Libraries across the country.

General wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts are available electronically at no cost on the Government Printing Office site at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/davis-bacon>. They are also available electronically by subscription to the Davis-Bacon Online Service (<http://davisbacon.fedworld.gov>) of the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) of the U.S. Department of Commerce at 1-800-363-2068. This subscription offers value-added features such as electronic delivery of modified wage decisions directly to the user's desktop, the ability to access prior wage decisions issued during the year, extensive Help desk Support, etc.

Hard-copy subscriptions may be purchased from: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 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 will be distributed to subscribers.

Signed at Washington, DC this 17th day of March 2005.

John Frank,

Acting Chief, Branch of Construction Wage Determinations.

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LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meetings of the Board of Directors Operations and Regulations Committee

Time and Date: The Legal Services Corporation Board of Directors Operations and Regulations Committee will meet April 1, 2005, at 9 a.m.

Location: Caddell Conference Room, Slaughter Hall, 3rd Floor, University of Virginia School of Law, 580 Massie Road, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Status of Meetings: Open.

Matters to be Considered:

Open Session

1. Approval of agenda.
2. Consider and act on Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Financial Eligibility, 45 CFR part 1611.
 - a. Staff report;
 - b. OIG's report; and
 - c. Public comment.
3. Other public comment.
4. Consider and act on other business.
5. Consider and act on adjournment of meeting.

Contact Person for Information:

Patricia D. Batie, Manager of Board Operations, at (202) 295-1500.

Special Needs: Upon request, meeting notices will be made available in alternate formats to accommodate visual and hearing impairments. Individuals who have a disability and need an accommodation to attend the meeting may notify Patricia D. Batie, at (202) 295-1500.

Dated: March 23, 2005.

Victor M. Fortuno,

Vice President for Legal Affairs, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary.

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Copyright Office

[Docket No. 2005-4 CARP SRA-Digital]

Rate Adjustment for the Satellite Carrier Compulsory License

AGENCY: Copyright Office, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Notice of voluntary negotiation period.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Office of the Library of Congress is announcing the voluntary negotiation period for the purpose of determining the royalty fees for the retransmission of digital over-the-air television broadcast signals by satellite carriers under the statutory license.

DATES: The voluntary negotiation period commences on March 25, 2005 and concludes on April 25, 2005. Voluntary agreements must be submitted no later than April 25, 2005.

ADDRESSES: If hand delivered by a private party, an original and five copies of voluntary agreements should be brought to Room LM-401 of the James Madison Memorial Building between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. and the envelope should be addressed as follows: Copyright Office General Counsel/CARP, U.S. Copyright Office, James Madison Memorial Building, Room LM-401, 101 Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20559-6000. If delivered by a commercial courier, an original and five copies of voluntary agreements must be delivered to the Congressional Courier Acceptance Site located at 2nd and D Streets, N.E. between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. The envelope should be addressed as follows: Copyright Office General Counsel/CARP, Room LM-403, James Madison Memorial Building, 101 Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. If sent by mail (including overnight delivery using U.S. Postal Service Express Mail), an original and five copies of voluntary agreements should be addressed to: Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel (CARP), P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, D.C. 20024. Voluntary agreements may not be delivered by means of overnight delivery services such as Federal Express, United Parcel Service, etc., due to delays in processing receipt of such deliveries.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David O. Carson, General Counsel, or Gina Giuffreda, Attorney Advisor, Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel (CARP), P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, D.C. 20024.

Telephone: (202) 707-8380. Telefax: (202) 252-3423.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The satellite carrier compulsory license establishes a statutory copyright licensing scheme for satellite carriers that retransmit over-the-air television broadcast signals to satellite dish owners. 17 U.S.C. 119. Congress created the license in 1988 with the passage of the Satellite Home Viewer Act of 1988. Congress reauthorized the satellite license for additional five-year periods in 1994 and 1999, and the license was slated to expire on December 31, 2004. However, Congress again reauthorized the satellite license for another five years with the passage of the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004 ("SHVERA") (as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005), Pub. L. 108-447, which was signed into law by the President on December 8, 2004.

Rates for the statutory license were initially set by Congress in the Satellite Home Viewer Act of 1988 and then later adjusted by a three-person arbitration panel convened by the former Copyright Royalty Tribunal. 57 FR 19052 (May 1, 1992). When the license was reauthorized in 1994, Congress directed that the rates be adjusted by the Librarian of Congress using the system that replaced the Copyright Royalty Tribunal, namely, a Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel ("CARP"). Accordingly, the Librarian adjusted the rates in 1997. 62 FR 55742 (October 28, 1997). In the Satellite Home Viewer Improvement Act of 1999, which reauthorized the license for an additional five years, Congress reduced the rates set by the Librarian. 17 U.S.C. 119(c)(4).

SHVERA adopts the rates as reduced by Congress in 1999 for the retransmission of analog signals but calls for the adjustment of those rates.¹ In addition, SHVERA calls for the setting of rates, for the first time, for the retransmission of the primary digital transmissions of network stations and superstations. SHVERA provides that the rates to be paid by satellite carriers for the retransmission of digital signals shall be the rates set by the Librarian in 1997 for the retransmission of analog signals, 37 CFR 258.3(b)(1)&(2), reduced

¹ The Library has begun the process to adjust the rates paid for the retransmission of analog signals. See 69 FR 78482 (December 30, 2004); 70 FR 3656 (January 26, 2005).