

directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95–541), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas as requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

The applications received are as follows:

Permit Application: 2012–016

1. *Applicant:* Lockheed Martin Corporation, Information Systems & Global Solutions (I&GS), Engineering Services Segment, Celia Lang, Program Director (Principal in Charge), 7400 South Tucson Way, Centennial, CO 80112.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Enter Antarctic Specially Protected Areas (ASPAs). The applicant plans to only transit through the marine ASPAs (ASPAs 145—Port Foster, Deception Caldera, ASPA 152—Western Bransfield Strait, and ASPA 153—Eastern Dallmann Bay) when truly necessary. The areas' management plans allow transit through the areas so long as doing so does not jeopardize the values to be protected in each ASPA.

Location

ASPAs 145—Port Foster, Deception Caldera, ASPA 152—Western Bransfield Strait, and ASPA 153—Eastern Dallmann Bay.

Dates

April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2017.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95–541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nadene G. Kennedy, Permit Office,

Office of Polar Programs, Rm. 755, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 9 and February 13, 2012 respectively, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the **Federal Register** of permit applications received. The permits were issued on March 16, 2012 to:

Robert A. Blanchette, Permit No. 2012–013;

H. William Detrich, III, Permit No. 2012–014;

Laurie Connell, Permit No. 2012–015.

Nadene G. Kennedy,

Permit Officer.

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OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meeting; Cancellation

OPIC March 21, 2012 Public Hearing

OPIC's Sunshine Act notice of its Public Hearing in Conjunction with each Board meeting was published in the **Federal Register** (77 FR 13158) on March 5, 2012. No requests were received to provide testimony or submit written statements for the record; therefore, OPIC's public hearing scheduled for 2 p.m., March 21, 2012 in conjunction with OPIC's March 29, 2012 Board of Directors meeting has been cancelled.

CONTACT PERSON FOR INFORMATION:

Information on the hearing cancellation may be obtained from Connie M. Downs at (202) 336–8438, or via email at Connie.Downs@opic.gov.

Dated: March 19, 2011.

Connie M. Downs,

OPIC Corporate Secretary.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Submission for Review: SF 3104, Application for Death Benefits Under the Federal Employees Retirement System; and SF 3104B, Documentation and Elections in Support of Application for Death Benefits When Deceased Was an Employee at the Time of Death

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: 60-Day Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management (OPM) offers the general public and other federal agencies the opportunity to comment on a revised information collection request (ICR) 3206–0172, Application for Death Benefits under the Federal Employees Retirement System and Documentation and Elections in Support of Application for Death Benefits When Deceased Was an Employee at the Time of Death. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35) as amended by the Clinger-Cohen Act (Pub. L. 104–106), OPM is soliciting comments for this collection. The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until May 21, 2012. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.1.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Quinta Spear, Deputy Assistant Director, Retirement Operations, Retirement Services, 1900 E Street NW., US 300, Washington, DC 20415, or sent via electronic mail to Leslie.Parker@opm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting the Retirement Services Publications Team, Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street NW., Room 4332, Washington, DC 20415, Attention: Cyrus S. Benson or sent via electronic mail to Cyrus.Benson@opm.gov or faxed to (202) 606–0910.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: SF 3104, Application for Death Benefits under

the Federal Employees Retirement System, is needed to collect information so that OPM can pay death benefits to the survivors of Federal employees and annuitants. SF 3104B, Documentation and Elections in Support of Application for Death Benefits When Deceased Was an Employee at the Time of Death, is needed for deaths in service so that survivors can make the needed elections regarding health benefits, military service and payment of the death benefit.

Analysis

Agency: Retirement Operations, Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management

Title: Application for Death Benefits under the Federal Employees Retirement System and Documentation and Elections in Support of Application for Death Benefits When Deceased Was an Employee at the Time of Death.

OMB Number: 3206-0172.

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Number of Respondents: SF 3104 = 12,734 and SF 3104B = 4,017.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 60 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 16,751.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

John Berry,
Director.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. CP2012-18; Order No. 1289]

International Mail Contract

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission is noticing a recently-filed Postal Service request to enter into an additional International Business Reply Service contract. This document invites public comments on the request and addresses several related procedural steps.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically by accessing the "Filing Online" link in the banner at the top of the Commission's Web site (<http://www.prc.gov>) or by directly accessing the Commission's Filing Online system at <https://www.prc.gov/prc-pages/filing-online/login.aspx>. Commenters who cannot submit their views electronically should contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section as the source for case-related information for advice on alternatives to electronic filing.

DATES: *Comments are due:* March 23, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, at 202-789-6820 (case-related information) or DocketAdmins@prc.gov (electronic filing assistance).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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I. Introduction

On March 14, 2012, the Postal Service filed a notice announcing that it has entered into an additional International Business Reply Service (IBRS) contract.¹ The Postal Service asserts that the instant contract is functionally equivalent to the IBRS 3 baseline contract originally filed in Docket Nos. MC2011-21 and CP2011-59 and supported by Governors' Decision No. 08-24 (IBRS 3 baseline contract). *Id.*, Attachment 3. The notice explains that Order No. 684, which established IBRS Competitive Contracts 3 as a product, also authorized functionally equivalent agreements to be included within the product, provided that they meet the requirements of 39 U.S.C. 3633. *Id.* at 1-2.

The instant contract. The Postal Service filed the instant contract pursuant to 39 CFR 3015.5, and states that the instant contract is also in compliance with Order No. 178. The instant contract is the successor to the contract found by the Commission to be eligible for inclusion in the IBRS Competitive Contract 3 (MC2011-21) product in Docket No. CP2011-61. *Id.* at 2. It is scheduled to become effective on April 1, 2012, and will remain in effect until 1 year after its effective date, unless termination of the agreement occurs earlier. *Id.* The instant contract may be terminated by either party upon 30 days' written notice. *Id.*, Attachment 1 at 4.

In support of its notice, the Postal Service filed four attachments as follows:

- Attachment 1—A redacted copy of the contract and applicable annexes;
- Attachment 2—A certified statement required by 39 CFR 3015.5(c)(2);
- Attachment 3—A redacted copy of Governors' Decision No. 08-24, which establishes prices and classifications for IBRS contracts, a description of

¹ Notice of the United States Postal Service Filing of a Functionally Equivalent International Business Reply Service Competitive Contract 3 Negotiated Service Agreement, March 14, 2012 (Notice).

applicable IBRS contracts, formulas for prices, an analysis of the formulas, a certification as to the formulas for prices offered under applicable IBRS contracts, and certification of the Governors' vote; and

- Attachment 4—An application for non-public treatment of materials to maintain redacted portions of the contract and file supporting documents under seal.

The notice enumerates the reasons why the instant IBRS Competitive Contract allegedly fits within the Mail Classification Schedule language for IBRS Competitive Contract 3. The Postal Service identifies general contract terms that distinguish the instant contract from the IBRS 3 baseline contract, such as (1) a revised sentence in Article 15 stating that the Postal Service may be required to file information in connection with the contract in other Commission dockets; and (2) an additional Article 30 concerning intellectual property, co-branding, and licensing. *Id.* at 5. The Postal Service states that the differences affect neither the fundamental service that the Postal Service is offering nor the fundamental structure of the contract. *Id.*

The Postal Service concludes that its filing demonstrates that the new IBRS contract complies with the requirements of 39 U.S.C. 3633 and is functionally equivalent to the IBRS 3 baseline contract filed in Docket Nos. MC2011-21 and CP2011-59. *Id.* at 6. Therefore, it requests that the instant contract be included within the IBRS Competitive Contract 3 (MC2011-21) product. *Id.*

II. Notice of Filing

The Commission establishes Docket No. CP2012-18 for consideration of matters related to the contract identified in the Postal Service's notice.

Interested persons may submit comments on whether the Postal Service's contract is consistent with the policies of 39 U.S.C. 3633 and 39 CFR 3015.5. Comments are due no later than March 23, 2012. The public portions of this filing can be accessed via the Commission's Web site, <http://www.prc.gov>.

The Commission appoints James F. Callow to serve as Public Representative in the captioned proceeding.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. CP2012-18 for consideration of matters raised by the Postal Service's notice.

2. Comments by interested persons in this proceeding are due no later than March 23, 2012.