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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

5 CFR Part 531

RIN 3206-AL96

General Schedule Locality Pay Areas

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: On behalf of the President's Pay Agent, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management is issuing final regulations on the locality pay program for General Schedule employees. Originally published on September 28, 2009, as an interim rule with a request for comments, the regulations moved the McGuire Air Force Base, NJ, and Fort Dix, NJ, Philadelphia locality pay area portions of the new Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, from the Philadelphia locality pay area to the New York locality pay area. We received no comments on the interim rule and adopt the final rule without change. We are also adding a corresponding note to the definition of the Philadelphia locality pay area to clarify that the Joint Base is not part of the Philadelphia locality pay area and changing titling of the Portland, OR, locality pay area to correspond to a change in the name of the Portland Metropolitan Statistical Area.

DATES: *Effective on July 21, 2010.*

Applicability Date: The regulations were applicable on the first day of the first pay period that began on or after September 28, 2009.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 5304 of title 5, United States Code, authorizes locality pay for General Schedule (GS) employees with duty

stations in the United States and its territories and possessions.

Section 5304(f) of title 5, United States Code, authorizes the President's Pay Agent (the Secretary of Labor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Director of the Office of Personnel Management) to determine locality pay areas. Most locality pay areas follow county lines under the methods recommended by the Federal Salary Council (Council) and adopted by the President's Pay Agent. However, exceptions are made for Federal facilities that cross county borders under criteria recommended by the Council and approved by the Pay Agent.

As part of the base realignment and closure process, the Department of Defense established Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst effective October 1, 2009. McGuire Air Force Base and Fort Dix, in Burlington County, New Jersey, were in the Philadelphia locality pay area while Lakehurst, in Ocean County, New Jersey, was in the New York locality pay area. The President's Pay Agent concluded that the Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst met the Council's existing criteria to be included in the New York locality pay area. Accordingly, on September 28, 2009, the Office of Personnel Management published an interim rule to move the Philadelphia locality pay area portions of the joint base from the Philadelphia locality pay area to the New York locality pay area. We received no comments on the interim rule and adopt it as final with a clarification that the Philadelphia locality pay area does not include Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst.

On December 1, 2009, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) published OMB Bulletin No. 10-02 making changes in metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs). One of these changes renamed the Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton, OR-WA MSA as the Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA MSA; but this change did not alter the geographic definition of the MSA. Since we use MSAs as the core definition of locality pay areas, we are also renaming the Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton, OR-WA locality pay area as the Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA locality pay area and updating the MSA name in the regulation to match the new OMB MSA name. There are no

changes in the geographic definition of the locality pay area or in employee entitlements as a result of this name change.

E.O. 12866, Regulatory Review

The Office of Management and Budget has reviewed this rule in accordance with E.O. 12866.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This document does not contain proposed information collection requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

I certify that these regulations will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities because they will apply only to Federal agencies and employees.

List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 531

Government employees, Law enforcement officers, Wages.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

John Berry,
Director.

■ Accordingly, OPM adopts as a final rule the interim rule published at 74 FR 49307 on September 28, 2009 with the following changes:

PART 531—PAY UNDER THE GENERAL SCHEDULE

■ 1. The authority citation for part 531 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 5115, 5307, and 5338; sec. 4 of Public Law 103-89, 107 Stat. 981; and E.O. 12748, 56 FR 4521, 3 CFR, 1991 Comp., p. 316; Subpart B also issued under 5 U.S.C. 5303(g), 5305, 5333, 5334(a) and (b), and 7701(b)(2); Subpart D also issued under 5 U.S.C. 5335 and 7701(b)(2); Subpart E also issued under 5 U.S.C. 5336; Subpart F also issued under 5 U.S.C. 5304 and 5305; E.O. 12883, 58 FR 63281, 3 CFR, 1993 Comp., p. 682; and E.O. 13106, 63 FR 68151, 3 CFR, 1998 Comp., p. 224.

Subpart F—Locality-Based Comparability Payments

■ 2. In § 531.603, paragraphs (b)(20), (b)(21), and (b)(24) are revised to read as follows:

§ 531.603 Locality pay areas.

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(b) * * *
(20) New York-Newark-Bridgeport, NY-NJ-CT-PA—consisting of the New

York-Newark-Bridgeport, NY–NJ–CT–PA CSA, plus Monroe County, PA, Warren County, NJ, and all of Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst;

(21) Philadelphia-Camden-Vineland, PA–NJ–DE–MD—consisting of the Philadelphia-Camden-Vineland, PA–NJ–DE–MD CSA excluding Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, plus Kent County, DE, Atlantic County, NJ, and Cape May County, NJ;

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(24) Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR–WA—consisting of the Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR–WA MSA, plus Marion County, OR, and Polk County, OR;

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

7 CFR Part 1470

RIN 0578–AA43

Conservation Stewardship Program

AGENCY: Commodity Credit Corporation, Natural Resources Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: The Natural Resources Conservation Service is correcting a final rule that appeared in the **Federal Register** of June 3, 2010 (75 FR 31653). The document 2010–12699, concerning the Conservation Stewardship Program, contained an error in the words of “issuance” at the end of the preamble.

DATES: *Effective Date:* The rule is effective June 3, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In FR Doc. 2010–12699 appearing on page 31653 in the **Federal Register** of Thursday, June 3, 2010, the following correction is made:

Words of Issuance [Corrected]

(1) On page 31653, in the second column, the Words of Issuance that read “For the reasons stated above, the CCC adds part 1470 of the CFR to read as

follows.” is corrected to read: “For the reasons stated above, the CCC revises part 1470 of Title 7 of the CFR to read as follows:”

Signed June 15, 2010, in Washington, DC.

Teresa Davis,

Rulemaking Manager, Natural Resources Conservation Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA–2010–0026; Directorate Identifier 2010–NE–03–AD; Amendment 39–16340; AD 2010–13–09]

RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; CFM International, S.A. CFM56–5, –5B, and –7B Series Turbofan Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The FAA is adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for CFM International, S.A. CFM56–5, –5B, and –7B series turbofan engines. This AD requires removing from service, nine stage 3 low-pressure turbine (LPT) disks, identified by serial number (S/N). This AD results from the discovery of a material nonconformity requiring removal of the disk before the certified disk life of certain stage 3 LPT disks. We are issuing this AD to prevent uncontained failure of the stage 3 LPT disk and damage to the airplane.

DATES: This AD becomes effective July 26, 2010.

ADDRESSES: The Docket Operations office is located at Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590–0001.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA proposed to amend 14 CFR part 39 with a proposed AD. The proposed AD applies to CFM International, S.A. CFM56–5, –5B, and –7B series turbofan engines. We published the proposed AD

in the **Federal Register** on March 18, 2010 (75 FR 13045). That action proposed to require removing from service, nine stage 3 LPT disks, identified by S/N.

Examining the AD Docket

You may examine the AD docket on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>; or in person at the Docket Operations office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this AD, the regulatory evaluation, any comments received, and other information. The street address for the Docket Operations office (telephone (800) 647–5527) is provided in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments will be available in the AD docket shortly after receipt.

Comments

We provided the public the opportunity to participate in the development of this AD. We have considered the comments received. Two commenters support the proposal as written.

Remove the Airbus A340 Reference

One commenter, CFM International, S.A., requests that we remove the reference to the Airbus A340 airplane from the applicability paragraph, as the engines used on that airplane are CFM56–5C engines, and use a different disk P/N not affected by this AD.

We agree. We removed the A340 reference from the AD.

Request To Reference the Disk Part Number

CFM International, S.A., requests that we reference the disk part number of 336–002–006–0, along with the affected disk serial numbers, in the applicability paragraph to help identify the parts to be removed.

We agree. We added the disk part number to the applicability paragraph.

Request To Clarify the Applicability Paragraph

CFM International, S.A., requests clarification of the applicability paragraph that none of these affected disk S/Ns were originally installed on any CFM56–5 turbofan engines, however, that disk P/N is certified for use on CFM56–5 engines.

We agree and changed the applicability paragraph.

Request To Reference European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) Related AD

CFM International, S.A., requests that we reference the EASA related AD in our AD.