

**Postal Regulatory Commission****Sunshine Act Meetings**

**TIME AND DATE:** Wednesday, April 7, 2010 at 11 a.m.

**PLACE:** Commission hearing room, 901 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20268-0001.

**STATUS:** Parts of this meeting will be open to the public. The rest of the meeting will be closed to the public. The public session will be podcast.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:****PORTIONS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

1. Review of Postal-related congressional activity (open).
2. Report on international activities (open).
3. Review of active cases (open).
4. Report on public communications regarding the Nature of Service Inquiry (open).
5. Report on status of a special study, pursuant to section 802(c) of the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act (PAEA) of 2006, addressing the Postal Service's estimated share of a certain Civil Service Retirement System-related retirement benefit liability. (open).
6. Report on recent activities of Joint Periodicals Task Force and status of anticipated report to the Congress pursuant to section 708 of the PAEA (open).
7. Report on status of internal evaluation of the Public Representative function (open).
8. Report on status of technical conference papers authored by staff (open).

**PORTIONS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC:**

9. Discussion of pending litigation (closed).
10. Discussion of confidential commercial information relative to Commission contracts (closed).
11. Discussion of confidential personnel issues involving performance management (closed).

**CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER**

**INFORMATION:** Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, Postal Regulatory Commission, at 202-789-6820 or [stephen.sharfman@prc.gov](mailto:stephen.sharfman@prc.gov) (for questions concerning the agenda) and Shoshana M. Grove at 202-789-6842 or [shoshana.grove@prc.gov](mailto:shoshana.grove@prc.gov) (for questions concerning podcasting).

*Dated:* March 26, 2010.

**Shoshana M. Grove,**  
*Secretary.*

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**POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[Docket No. A2010-4; Order No. 428]

**Post Office Closing**

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document informs the public that an appeal of the closing of the Crescent Lake (Oregon) Post Office ZIP Code 97425 has been filed. It identifies preliminary steps and provides a procedural schedule. Publication of this document will allow the Postal Service, petitioner, and others to take appropriate action.

**DATES:** Deadline for filing administrative record: March 29, 2010. For other dates, see Procedural Schedule.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit filings electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>. Those who cannot file electronically should contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by telephone for advice on alternatives to electronic filing.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 404(d), the Commission has received an appeal of the closing of the Crescent Lake Post Office, Crescent Lake, Oregon 97425. The appeal was received by the Commission on March 12, 2010. The Commission hereby institutes a proceeding under 39 U.S.C. 404(d)(5) and designates the case as Docket No. A2010-4 to consider the petitioner's appeal. If the petitioner would like to further explain her position with supplemental information or facts, she may either file a Participant Statement on PRC Form 61 or file her own brief with the Commission by no later than March 29, 2010.

*Categories of issues apparently raised.* The categories of issues that appear to be raised include:

Effect on the community (39 U.S.C. 404(d)(2)(A)(i)).

After the Postal Service files the administrative record and the Commission reviews it, the Commission may find that there are additional issues other than that set forth above or, alternatively, the Commission may find that the Postal Service's determination disposes of one or more of those issues. The deadline for the Postal Service to file the administrative record with the Commission is March 29, 2010. 39 CFR 3001.113.

*Availability; Web site posting.* The Commission has posted the appeal and supporting material on its Web site at <http://www.prc.gov>. Additional filings in this case and participants' submissions also will be posted on the Web site, if provided in electronic format or amenable to conversion, and not subject to a valid protective order. Information on how to use the Commission's Web site is available online or by contacting the Commission's webmaster via telephone at 202-789-6873 or via electronic mail at [prc-webmaster@prc.gov](mailto:prc-webmaster@prc.gov).

The appeal and all related documents are also available for public inspection in the Commission's docket section. Docket section hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal government holidays. Docket section personnel may be contacted via electronic mail at [prc-dockets@prc.gov](mailto:prc-dockets@prc.gov) or via telephone at 202-789-6846.

*Filing of documents.* All filings of documents in this case shall be made using the Internet (Filing Online) pursuant to Commission rules 9(a) and 10(a) at the Commission's Web site, <http://www.prc.gov>, unless a waiver is obtained. 39 CFR 3001.9(a) and 10(a). Instructions for obtaining an account to file documents online may be found on the Commission's Web site, <http://www.prc.gov>, or by contacting the Commission's docket section at [prc-dockets@prc.gov](mailto:prc-dockets@prc.gov) or via telephone at 202-789-6846.

*Intervention.* Those, other than the petitioner and respondent, wishing to be heard in this matter are directed to file a notice of intervention. See 39 CFR 3001.111(b). Notices of intervention are due on or before March 29, 2010. A notice of intervention shall be filed using the Internet (Filing Online) at the Commission's Web site, <http://www.prc.gov>, unless a waiver is obtained for hardcopy filing. See 39 CFR 3001.9(a) and 10(a).

*Further procedures.* By statute, the Commission is required to issue its decision within 120 days from the date this appeal was filed. See 39 U.S.C. 404(d)(5). A procedural schedule has been developed to accommodate this statutory deadline. In the interest of expedition, in light of the 120-day decision schedule, the Commission may request the Postal Service or other participants to submit information or memoranda of law on any appropriate issue. As required by the Commission rules, if any motions are filed, responses are due 7 days after any such motion is filed. 39 CFR 3001.21.

*It is ordered:*

1. The Postal Service shall file the administrative record in this appeal, or

otherwise file a responsive pleading to the appeal, by March 29, 2010.

2. The procedural schedule listed below is hereby adopted.

3. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Cassandra L. Hicks is designated officer

of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public.

4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this notice and order and

procedural schedule in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

**Shoshana M. Grove,**  
*Secretary.*

#### PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

March 12, 2009 .....	Filing of Appeal.
March 29, 2010 .....	Deadline for Postal Service to file administrative record in this appeal or responsive pleading.
April 16, 2010 .....	Deadline for petitioner's Form 61 or initial brief in support of petition ( <i>see</i> 39 CFR 3001.115(a) and (b)).
April 19, 2010 .....	Deadline for petitions to intervene ( <i>see</i> 39 CFR 3001.111(b)).
May 6 .....	Deadline for answering brief in support of Postal Service ( <i>see</i> 39 CFR 3001.115(c)).
May 21, 2010 .....	Deadline for reply briefs in response to answering briefs ( <i>see</i> 39 CFR 3001.115(d)).
May 28, 2010 .....	Deadline for motions by any party requesting oral argument; the Commission will schedule oral argument only when it is a necessary addition to the written filings ( <i>see</i> 39 CFR 3001.116).
July 12, 2010 .....	Expiration of the Commission's 120-day decisional schedule ( <i>see</i> 39 U.S.C. 404(d)(5)).

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## RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

### Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review, Request for Comments

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) is forwarding two (2) Information Collection Requests (ICR) to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Our ICR describes the information we seek to collect from the public. Review and approval by OIRA ensures that we impose appropriate paperwork burdens.

The RRB invites comments on the proposed collections of information to determine (1) the practical utility of the collections; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden of the collections; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information that is the subject of collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of collections on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments to RRB or OIRA must contain the OMB control number of the ICR. For proper consideration of your comments, it is best if RRB and OIRA receive them within 30 days of publication date.

#### 1. Title and Purpose of Information Collection:

*Application for Employee Annuity Under the Railroad Retirement Act; 3220-0002*

Section 2 of the Railroad Retirement Act (RRA) provides for payments of age and service, disability, and supplemental annuities to qualified employees. An annuity cannot be paid until the employee stops working for a railroad employer. In addition, the age

and service employee must relinquish any rights held to such jobs. A disabled employee does not need to relinquish employee rights until attaining Full Retirement Age, or if earlier, their spouse files for a spouse annuity. Benefits become payable after the employee meets certain other requirements, which depend on the type of annuity payable. The requirements for obtaining the annuities are prescribed in 20 CFR 216, and 220.

The RRB uses the electronic *AA-1cert, Application Summary and Certification* process and the following forms to collect the information needed for determining entitlement to and the amount of, an employee retirement annuity: *Form AA-1, Application for Employee Annuity Under the Railroad Retirement Act, Form AA-1d, Application for Determination of Employee Disability*, and *Form G-204, Verification of Workers Compensation/Public Disability Benefit Information*.

The AA-1cert process obtains information from an applicant for either an age and service, or disability annuity by means of an interview with an RRB field-office representative. It obtains information about an applicant's marital history, work history, military service, benefits from other governmental agencies and railroad pensions. During the interview, the field-office representative enters the information obtained into an on-line information system. Upon completion of the interview, the applicant receives Form AA-1cert, Application Summary and Certification, which summarizes the information that was provided by/or verified by the applicant, for review and signature. The RRB also uses a manual version, RRB Form AA-1, in instances where the RRB representative is unable to contact the applicant in-person or by telephone, *i.e.*, the applicant lives in another country.

Form AA-1d, Application for Determination of Employee Disability, is completed by an employee who is filing for a disability annuity under the RRA, or a disability freeze under the Social Security Act for early Medicare based on a disability. Form G-204, Verification of Workers Compensation/Public Disability Benefit Information, is used to obtain and verify information concerning worker's compensation or public disability benefits that are or will be paid by a public agency to a disabled railroad employee.

All of the forms require completion to obtain a benefit. One or more response is requested of each respondent.

*Previous Requests for Comments:* The RRB has already published the initial 60-day notice (75 FR 4944 on January 28, 2010) required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). That request elicited no comments.

*Title:* Application for Employee Annuity Under the Railroad Retirement Act.

*OMB Control Number:* 3220-0002.

*Form(s) submitted:* AA-1, Application for Employee Annuity; AA-1cert, Application Summary and Certification; AA-1d, Application for Determination of Employee's Disability; and G-204, Verification of Worker's Compensation/Public Disability Benefit Information.

*Type of request:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Affected public:* Individuals or households, State or local government.

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*Abstract:* The Railroad Retirement Act provides for payment of age, disability, and supplemental annuities to qualified employees. The application and related forms obtain information about the applicant's family work history, military service, disability benefits from other government agencies and public or private pensions. The information is