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§ 223.1 Certificate of authority.

The regulations in this part will govern the issuance by the Secretary of the Treasury of certificates of authority to bonding companies to do business with the United States as sureties on, or reinsurers of, recognizances, stipulations, bonds, and undertakings, hereinafter sometimes called obligations, under the provisions of the Act of July 30, 1947 (61 Stat. 646, as amended; 6 U.S.C. 6-13), and the acceptance of such obligations from such companies so long as they continue to hold said certificates of authority.

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§ 223.2 Application for certificate of authority.

Every company wishing to apply for a certificate of authority shall address the Assistant Commissioner, Comptroller, Financial Management Service, U.S. Department of Treasury, Washington, DC 20226, who will notify the company of the data which the Secretary of the Treasury determines from time to time to be necessary to make application. In accord with 6 U.S.C. 8 the data will include a copy of the applicant's charter or articles of incorporation and a statement, signed and sworn to by its president and secretary, showing its assets and liabilities. A fee

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shall be transmitted with the application in accordance with the provisions of § 223.22(a)(i).

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§ 223.3 Issuance of certificates of authority.

(a) If, from the evidence submitted in the manner and form herein required, subject to the guidelines referred to in § 223.9 the Secretary of the Treasury shall be satisfied that such company has authority under its charter or articles of incorporation to do the business provided for by the Act referred to in § 223.1, and if the Secretary of the Treasury shall be satisfied from such company's financial statement and from any further evidence or information he may require, and from such examination of the company, at its own expense, as he may cause to be made, that such company has a capital fully paid up in cash of not less than \$250,000, is solvent and financially and otherwise qualified to do the business provided for in said Act, and is able to keep and perform its contracts, he will, subject to the further conditions herein contained, issue a certificate of authority to such company, under the seal of the Treasury Department, to qualify as surety on obligations permitted or required by the laws of the United States to be given with one or more sureties, for a term expiring on the last day of June next following. The certificate of authority shall be renewed annually on the first day of July, so long as the company remains qualified under the law and the regulations in this part, and transmits to the Assistant Commissioner, Comptroller by March 1 each year the fee in accordance with the provisions of § 223.22(a)(3).

(b) If a company meets the requirements for a certificate of authority as an acceptable surety on Federal bonds in all respects except that it is a United States branch of a company not incorporated under the laws of the United States or of any State, or it is limited by its articles of incorporation or corporate charter to reinsure business only, it may be issued a certificate of authority as a reinsuring company