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that his failure to use the right-of-way was due to circumstances not within the holder's control.

(d) Before suspending or terminating a right-of-way grant pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section, the authorized officer shall give the holder written notice that such action is contemplated and the grounds therefor and shall allow the holder a reasonable opportunity to cure such noncompliance.

(e) In the case of a right-of-way grant that is under its terms an easement, the authorized officer shall give written notice to the holder of the suspension or termination and shall refer the matter to the Office of Hearings and Appeals for a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge pursuant to 43 CFR part 4. If the Administrative Law Judge determines that grounds for suspension or termination exist and such action is justified, the authorized officer shall suspend or terminate the right-of-way grant.

[45 FR 44526, July 1, 1980, as amended at 47 FR 38806, Sept. 2, 1982]

§ 2803.4-1 Disposition of improvements upon terminations.

Within a reasonable time after termination, revocation or cancellation of a right-of-way grant, the holder shall, unless directed otherwise in writing by the authorized officer, remove such structures and improvements and shall restore the site to a condition satisfactory to the authorized officer. If the holder fails to remove all such structures or improvements within a reasonable period, as determined by the authorized officer, they shall become the property of the United States, but the holder shall remain liable for the cost of removal of the structures and improvements and for restoration of the site.

§ 2803.5 Change in Federal jurisdiction or disposal of lands.

(a) Where a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit administered under these regulations traverses public lands that are transferred to another Federal agency, administration of the right-of-way shall, at the discretion of the authorized officer, be assigned to the acquiring agency unless

such assignment would diminish the rights of the holder.

(b) Where a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit traverses public lands that are transferred out of Federal ownership, the transfer of the land shall, at the discretion of the authorized officer, include an assignment of the right-of-way, be made subject to the right-of-way, or the United States may reserve unto itself the land encumbered by the right-of-way.

§ 2803.6 Amendments, assignments and renewals.

§ 2803.6-1 Amendments.

(a) Any substantial deviation in location or use as set forth in § 2803.2(b) of this title shall require the holder of a grant or permit to file an amended application. The requirements for the amended application and the filing are the same and shall be accomplished in the manner as set forth in subpart 2802 of this title.

(b) Holders of right-of-way grants issued before October 21, 1976, who find it necessary to amend their grants shall comply with paragraph (a) of this section in filing their applications. Upon acceptance of the amended application by the authorized officer an amended right-of-way grant shall be issued. To the fullest extent possible, and when in the public interest as determined from current land use plans and other management decisions, the amended grant shall contain the same terms and conditions set forth in the original grant with respect to annual rent, duration and nature of interest.

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§ 2803.6-2 Amendments to existing railroad grants.

(a) An amended application required under § 2803.6-1(a) or (b), as appropriate, shall be filed with the authorized officer for any realignment of a railroad and appurtenant communication facilities which are required to be relocated due to the realignment. Upon acceptance of the amended application by the authorized officer, an amended right-of-way grant shall be issued within 6 months of date of acceptance of the application. The date of acceptance of the

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application for the purpose of this paragraph shall be determined in accordance with § 2802.4(a) of this title.

(b) Notwithstanding the regulations of this part, the authorized officer may include in the amended grant the same terms and conditions of the original grant with respect to the payment of annual rental, duration, and nature of interest if he/she finds them to be in the public interest and the lands involved are not within an incorporated community and are of approximately equal value.

§ 2803.6-3 Assignments.

Any proposed assignment in whole or in part of any right or interest in a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit acquired pursuant to the regulations of this part shall be filed in accordance with §§ 2802.1-1 and 2802.3 of this title. The application for assignment shall be accompanied by the same showing of qualifications of the assignee as if the assignee were filing an application for a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit under the regulations of this part. In addition, the assignment shall be supported by a stipulation that the assignee agrees to comply with and to be bound by the terms and conditions of the grant to be assigned. No assignment shall be recognized unless and until it is approved in writing by the authorized officer. The authorized officer may, at the time of approval of the assignment, modify or add bonding requirements.

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§ 2803.6-4 Reimbursement of costs for assignments.

(a) All filings for assignments, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, made pursuant to this section shall be accompanied by a non-refundable payment of \$50 from the assignor. Exceptions for a nonrefundable payment for an assignment are the same as in § 2803.1 of this title.

(b) Where a holder assigns more than 1 right-of-way grant as a single action, the authorized officer may, due to economies of scale, set a nonrefundable fee of less than \$50 per assignment.

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§ 2803.6-5 Renewals of right-of-way grants and temporary use permits.

(a) When a grant provides that it may be renewed, the authorized officer shall renew the grant so long as the project or facility is still being used for purposes authorized in the original grant and is being operated and maintained in accordance with all the provisions of the grant and pursuant to the regulations of this title.

(b) When a grant does not contain a provision for renewal, the authorized officer, upon request from the holder and prior to the expiration of the grant, may renew the grant at his discretion. A renewal pursuant to this section shall comply with the same provisions contained in paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) Temporary use permits issued pursuant to the regulations of this part may be renewed at the discretion of the authorized officer. The holder of a permit desiring a renewal shall notify the authorized officer in writing of the need for renewal prior to its expiration date. Upon receipt of the notice, the authorized officer shall either renew the permit or reject the request.

(d) Renewals of grants and permits pursuant to paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this section are not subject to subpart 2808 of this title.

(e) Denial of any request for renewal by the authorized officer under paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section shall be final with no right of review or appeal.

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Subpart 2804—Appeals

§ 2804.1 Appeals procedure.

(a) All appeals under this part shall be taken under 43 CFR part 4 from any final decision of the authorized officer to the Office of the Secretary, Board of Land Appeals.

(b) All decisions of the authorized officer under this part shall remain effective pending appeal unless the Secretary rules otherwise. Petitions for the stay of a decision shall be filed