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should be provided as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than 10 business days from receipt of the request. If a carrier determines that additional information is required from the requester before a rate or term can be established, the carrier must so notify the requester as soon as possible, but no later than 10 business days after receipt of the request. Once the additional information is received, the carrier must set the rate and related service terms, and relay them to the requester, as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than 10 business days from the receipt of the additional information. (However, the parties may agree to a different time period, in which case these time periods would not apply.) A rail carrier may, at its option, require that requests submitted under this section be in written or electronic form, although the carrier may permit oral requests.

§ 1300.4 Notice requirement.

(a) A rail carrier may not increase any rates or charges, or change any service terms (except for changes that are equivalent to rate reductions), unless 20 days have expired after written or electronic notice has been provided to all persons who, within the previous 12 months:

(1) Have formally requested under §§ 1300.2 or 1300.3 of this part the affected rates or service terms; or

(2) Have made arrangements with the carrier for a future shipment that would be subject to the increased rates or changed service terms.

(b) The notice required by this section may be in written or electronic form, as agreed to by the parties. If the parties cannot agree, the information is to be provided in electronic (non-passive) form where both parties have the requisite capabilities; otherwise, it is to be provided in writing.

(c) For purposes of this section, a mailed notice is deemed "provided" on the date such notice is postmarked.

(d) The notice required by this section must clearly identify the increases in rates or charges or the changes in service terms.

§ 1300.5 Additional publication requirement for agricultural products and fertilizer.

(a) With respect to transportation of agricultural products (including grain, as defined in 7 U.S.C. 75, and all products thereof) and fertilizer, a rail carrier shall publish, make available, and retain for public inspection its currently effective rates, schedules of rates, charges, and other service terms, and any scheduled changes to such rates, charges, and service terms. This requirement is in addition to the requirements imposed by §§ 1300.2, 1300.3, and 1300.4 of this part.

(b) The information published under this section must include an accurate description of the services offered to the public; must provide the specific applicable rates (or the basis for calculating the specific applicable rates), charges, and service terms; and must be arranged in a way that allows for the determination of the exact rate, charges, and service terms applicable to any given shipment (or to any given group of shipments). Increases, reductions and other changes must be symbolized or highlighted in some way to facilitate ready identification of the changes, the nature of those changes and their effective dates.

(c) A rail carrier must make the information available at offices where it normally keeps rate information. Access to the information at such offices must be provided to any person, without charge, during normal business hours.

(d) A rail carrier must also make the required publications available to all persons (hereinafter referred to as subscribers) who have subscribed to a publication service operated either by the rail carrier itself or by an agent acting at the rail carrier's direction. Such publications may be made available either in printed or in electronic form as agreed to by the parties. Any scheduled changes must be published in a manner that provides timely notice to subscribers. A rail carrier may impose reasonable charges for such publications. Publications may be limited to the specific information requested by the subscriber, and charges for such limited publications should be set accordingly.

PART 1301 [RESERVED]**PART 1302—EXPORT AND IMPORT SHIPMENTS; RAILROADS**

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AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 884.

SOURCE: 32 FR 20541, Dec. 20, 1967, unless otherwise noted.

CROSS REFERENCES: For United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; see Customs Duties, 19 CFR Chapter I. For Foreign-Trade Zones Board; see Commerce, 15 CFR Chapter IV. For regulations of International Trade Administration concerning foreign trade statistics; see Commerce, 15 CFR Chapter III.

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§ 1302.41 Suspension of statute.

The provisions of section 28 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920, are hereby further suspended from and including the first day of January, 1921, until further order of this Board.

§ 1302.42 Further suspension of statute.

(a) Order of March 11, 1924, as modified, which terminated order of June 14, 1920, as modified, suspending provisions of section 28 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920, until further order of the Board, is hereby vacated and set aside.

(b) The provisions of said order of June 14, 1920, as modified by the supplemental orders of July 27, 1920, December 11, 1920, and February 7, 1921, specified in paragraph (a) of this section, shall continue in force until further order of the Board.

§ 1302.43 Applicable rates on shipments in transit when statute becomes effective.

The following conditions are hereby prescribed as supplemental to the or-

ders aforesaid suspending the provisions of section 28 of the Merchant Marine Act, that is to say, that notwithstanding the provisions of the aforesaid section 28 may become effective during the time when export or import shipments are in transit to or from the ports of export or import the following conditions shall be observed.

(a) With respect to all export shipments delivered to and received for by common carriers subject to the provisions of section 6 of the Interstate Commerce Act (section 6, 24 Stat. 380, as amended; 49 U.S.C. 6(13)) the rates to the ports in force and applicable upon said shipments via the lines of said carriers upon the date of delivery to and receipt by such carriers shall be applied to said shipments; and,

(b) With respect to all import shipments delivered to and received for by common carriers subject to the provisions of section 6 of the Interstate Commerce Act (49 U.S.C. 6 (13)) the rates from the ports in force and applicable to said shipments over the lines of said carriers upon the date of delivery to and receipt by such carriers shall be applied to said shipments.

PART 1305—DISCLOSURE AND NOTICE OF CHANGE OF RATES AND OTHER SERVICE TERMS FOR PIPELINE COMMON CARRIAGE

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1305.3 Response to request for establishment of a new rate.

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AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 721(a) and 15701(e).

SOURCE: 61 FR 35141, July 5, 1996, unless otherwise noted.

§ 1305.1 Scope; definitions.

(a) The provisions of this part address the requirements imposed on pipeline carriers by 49 U.S.C. 15701(b) and 15701(c). Such requirements apply to pipeline carriers only with respect to the transportation of commodities other than water, gas, or oil.