

in possession of confidential information which may be contained in a complaint, petition for discovery, or request for informal disclosure. Any information pertaining to parties to the contract or subject to the contract (including consignors, consignees and carriers), or pertaining to the terms of the contract, or relating to the petitioner's/complainant's confidential commercial information, must be kept confidential. Neither the information nor the existence of the information shall be disclosed to third parties, except for: consultants or agents who agree, in writing, to be bound by this regulation; information which is publicly available; information which, after receipt, becomes publicly available through no fault of the party seeking to disclose the information after it has become publicly available, or is acquired from a third party free of any restriction as to its disclosure. The petitioner/complainant or carrier must take all necessary steps to assure that the information will be kept confidential by its employees and agents. No copies of the contract terms or other confidential information are to be retained by the parties not originally privy to the data subsequent to the termination of the proceeding.

(e) *Contract review proceeding.* If the Board institutes a proceeding to review the contract, the complainant's case-in-chief is due 9 days after the institution of the proceeding, but no later than 39 days after the filing of the contract summary. Replies are due 16 days after the institution of the proceeding, but no later than 46 days after the filing of the contract summary.

## PART 1319—EXEMPTIONS

AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 721(a) and 13541.

SOURCE: 62 FR 9110, Feb. 28, 1997, unless otherwise noted.

### § 1319.1 Exemption of freight forwarders in the noncontiguous domestic trade from tariff filing requirements.

Freight forwarders subject to the Board's jurisdiction under 49 U.S.C. 13531 are exempted from the tariff filing requirements of 49 U.S.C. 13702.

## PARTS 1320-1324 [RESERVED]

### PART 1325—EXTENSION OF CREDIT TO CANDIDATES FOR FEDERAL OFFICE OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES

Sec.

1325.1 Extension of unsecured credit prohibited.

1325.2 Credit agreements.

1325.3 Federal office.

AUTHORITY: Pub. L. 92-225, the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, enacted Feb. 7, 1972.

SOURCE: 37 FR 10446, May 23, 1972, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 1325.1 Extension of unsecured credit prohibited.

Persons subject to regulation by the Surface Transportation Board shall not knowingly and willfully provide, for candidates for Federal office or their representatives, service or goods related to their campaign without obtaining either prepayment or a binding guarantee of payment through a sufficient deposit, bond, collateral, or other means of security. The extension of credit to such persons shall not exceed the amount of the security posted.

#### § 1325.2 Credit agreements.

(a) All agreements to extend credit to candidates for Federal office or their representatives by persons subject to regulation by the Surface Transportation Board (1) must be in writing, (2) must contain a detailed description of the deposit, bond, collateral, or other means of security, used to secure payment of the debt, and (3) must be signed by all parties to the agreement. A copy of each such agreement must be filed with this Board's Bureau of Operations in Washington, DC, within 20 days of the date of its execution.

(b) [Reserved]

#### § 1325.3 Federal office.

For the purposes of this section, *Federal office* means the office of President or Vice President of the United States; or of Senator or Representative in, or Delegate or Resident Board Member to, the Congress of the United States.