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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

5 CFR Part 534

RIN 3206-A159

Pay Under Other Systems

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management

ACTION: Technical amendment.

SUMMARY: This document contains a technical amendment to the final regulations that were originally published in the **Federal Register** on Friday, January 2, 1987 (52 FR 1). This technical amendment implements statutory changes in the total amount of performance awards that may be granted to career members of the Senior Executive Service in a fiscal year. These changes were enacted by Public Law 105-277, the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999, October 21, 1998.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 29, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anne Kirby, (202) 606-1610, FAX (202) 606-0557, or email to seshelp@opm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public Law 105-277, enacted on October 21, 1998, amends 5 U.S.C. 5384(b)(3) to increase the total amount of SES performance awards that may be paid during a fiscal year. The public law changed the award pool configurations to 10 percent (formerly 3 percent) of aggregate career SES basic pay, or 20 percent (formerly 15 percent) of the average annual rates of career SES basic pay. The new award pool provisions could be used for SES performance awards paid any time after enactment of the public law.

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553, I find that, as these amendments are mandated by statute, notice and public procedure thereon are impracticable,

unnecessary, and contrary to the public interest.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

I certify that these changes will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities because the regulations pertain only to Federal employees and agencies.

List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 534

Government employees, Hospitals, Students, Wages.

Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,
Director.

Accordingly, OPM is amending 5 CFR part 534 as follows:

PART 534—PAY UNDER OTHER SYSTEMS

1. The authority citation for part 534 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 1104, 5307, 5351, 5352, 5353, 5376, 5383, 5384, 5385, 5541, and 5550a.

Subpart D—Pay and Performance Awards Under the Senior Executive Service

2. Amend § 534.403 by revising paragraph (b) to read as follows:

§ 534.403 Performance awards.

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(b) The total amount of performance awards paid during a fiscal year by an agency may not exceed the greater of—

(1) Ten percent of the aggregate career SES basic pay for the agency as of the end of the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the award payments are made; or

(2) Twenty percent of the average annual rates of basic pay for career SES appointees of the agency as of the end of the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the award payments are made.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

7 CFR Part 225

RIN 0584-AC06

Summer Food Service Program: Program Meal Service During the School Year, Paperwork Reduction, and Targeted State Monitoring

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This final rule contains changes to the Summer Food Service Program as a result of a provision in the Healthy Meals for Healthy Americans Act of 1994 which allows Program meal service to be provided during periods of unanticipated school closures such as teacher strikes. Additionally, this rule makes discretionary changes to simplify sponsor and site applications and State agency monitoring requirements. Except for the State agency monitoring requirements, which were changed substantially, the final rule makes only minor modifications to the provisions of the proposed rule. These changes are intended to reduce unnecessary and duplicative administrative burdens for Summer Food Service Program sponsors and State agencies.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 28, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melissa Rothstein (Summer Food Service Program) at the following address: Policy and Program Development Branch, Child Nutrition Division, Room 1006, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22302-1500, or by telephone at: (703) 305-2620.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) provides free meals to children at approved feeding sites in areas with significant concentrations of low-income children during school vacations. SFSP meals are intended to take the place of the meals that children normally receive through the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs during the school year.

Generally, Program benefits are limited to times when school is not in