DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

34 CFR Parts 361, 363, and 397

[Docket ID ED–2015–OSERS–0001]

State Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program; State Supported Employment Services Program; Limitations on Use of Subminimum Wage

AGENCY: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Secretary announces plans to hold two public meetings to seek comments about the proposed regulatory changes contained in a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that was published in the Federal Register on April 16, 2015, which would implement statutory changes to the State Vocational Rehabilitation Services and the State Supported Employment Services programs, as well as provisions governing Limitations on the Use of Subminimum Wage that fall under the Secretary’s purview. The statutory changes made by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), which amended the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Rehabilitation Act), form the basis for this NPRM. In addition, the Secretary proposes to update, clarify, and improve the current regulations.

DATES: The meetings will take place on April 30, 2015, and May 20, 2015.

ADDRESSES: We will hold two public meetings about the NPRM:

1. April 30, 2015, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT, Washington-Lyndon Baines Johnson (LBJ), U.S. Department of Education Building, 400 Maryland Ave. SW., Barnard Auditorium, Washington, DC 20202.

2. May 20, 2015, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. PDT, Sacramento—California Department of Rehabilitation, 721 Capitol Mall, Room 242, Sacramento, CA 95814.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet LaBreck, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., room 5086, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202–2800. Telephone: (202) 245–7488 or by email: Janet.LaBreck@ed.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) (Pub. L. 113–128), signed into law on July 22, 2014, made significant changes to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Rehabilitation Act). As a result, in the separate NPRM (80 FR 21059, April 16, 2015), the Secretary proposes to amend parts 361 and 363 of title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). These parts, respectively, implement the:

• State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Services program; and
• State Supported Employment Services program.

In addition, WIOA added section 511 to title V of the Act. Section 511 limits the payment of subminimum wages to individuals with disabilities by employers holding special wage certificates under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA). Although the Department of Labor administers the FLSA, some requirements of section 511 fall under the purview of the Department of Education. Therefore, the Secretary proposes to add a new part 397 to title 34 of the CFR to implement those particular provisions.

The proposed changes are further described under the Summary of Proposed Changes and Significant Proposed Regulations sections of the separate NPRM related to 34 CFR parts 361, 363, and 397.

Announcement of Public Meetings: The Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services will hold two public meetings during April and May of 2015. The meetings will provide the public with the opportunity to present public comments on only the separate NPRM amending 34 CFR parts 361, 363, and 397, which is the NPRM associated with Docket ID ED–2015–OSERS–0001. It is likely that each participant will be limited to five minutes. Speakers may also submit written comments at the public meetings. In addition, the Department will accept written comments through www.regulations.gov, as explained in the separate NPRM. This notice provides specific information about dates, locations, and times of these meetings in the ADDRESSES section.

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Dated: April 13, 2015.

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Postal Service

39 CFR Part 501

Revisions to the Requirements for Authority To Manufacture and Distribute Postage Evidencing Systems

AGENCY: Postal Service™

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Postal Service is proposing to revise the rules concerning
authorization to manufacture and distribute postage evidencing systems to reflect new revenue assurance practices.

DATES: Submit comments on or before May 26, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Mail or deliver written comments to the Manager, Payment Technology, U.S. Postal Service®, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Room 3500, Washington, DC 20260. You may inspect and photocopy all written comments at the Payment Technology office by appointment only between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday by calling 1–202–268–7613 in advance. Email and faxed comments are not accepted.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These proposed changes to the CFR support the ongoing effort of the Postal Service (USPS) to better serve the needs of the marketplace. USPS relies on a manual process to weigh and rate pieces and collect at the point of delivery. The USPS is upgrading mail processing equipment to validate postage paid on individual pieces and working with the PC Postage Providers to make corrections to the postage paid collecting additional revenue when appropriate with an electronic process. The PC Postage Providers will have piece level information and interface with the customers to make the needed postage corrections. Customers will have the opportunity to appeal the process in an electronic format. The USPS will be the final decision maker in all disputes.

List of Subjects in 39 CFR Part 501
Administrative practice and procedure.

Accordingly, for the reasons stated, 39 CFR part 501 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 501—AUTHORIZATION TO MANUFACTURE AND DISTRIBUTE POSTAGE EVIDENCING SYSTEMS

1. The authority citation for 39 CFR part 501 continues to read as follows:


2. In §501.1, revise paragraph (g) to read as follows:

§501.1 Definitions.

(d) Approval shall be based upon satisfactory evidence of the applicant’s integrity and financial responsibility, commitment to comply with the Postal Service’s revenue assurance practices as outlined in section 501.16, and a determination that disclosure to the applicant of Postal Service customer, financial, or other data of a commercial nature necessary to perform the function for which approval is sought would be appropriate and consistent with good business practices within the meaning of 39 U.S.C. 410(c)(2). The Postal Service may condition its approval upon the applicant’s agreement to undertakings that would give the Postal Service appropriate assurance of the applicant’s ability to meet its obligations under this section, including but not limited to the method and manner of performing certain financial, security, and servicing functions, and the need to maintain sufficient financial reserves to guarantee uninterrupted performance of not less than 3 months of operation.

4. In §501.16, add paragraph (i) to read as follows:

§501.16 PC postage payment methodology.

(i) Revenue Assurance. To operate PC Postage systems, the provider must support business practices to assure Postal Service revenue and accurate payment from customers. Specifically, the provider is required to notify the customer and adjust the balance in the postage evidencing system or otherwise facilitate postage corrections to address any postage discrepancies as directed by the Postal Service, subject to the applicable notification periods and dispute mechanisms available to customers for these corrections. The Postal Service will supply the provider with the necessary detail to justify the correction and amount of the postage correction to be used in the adjustment process. The provider must supply customers with visibility into the identified postage correction, facilitate a payment adjustment from the customer in the amount equivalent to the identified postage discrepancies to the extent possible, and enable customers to submit electronic disputes of such postage discrepancies to the Postal Service. Further if the customer does not have funds sufficient to cover the amount of the discrepancies or the postage discrepancies have not been resolved, the provider may be required to temporarily suspend or permanently shut down the customer’s ability to print PC Postage as described in the Domestic Mail Manual section 604.4.

5. In §501.18, revise paragraph (b)(2) and add paragraph (c)(6) to read as follows:

§501.18 Customer information and authorization.

(2) Within five years preceding submission of the information, the customer violated any standard for the care or use of the Postage Evidencing System, including any unresolved identified postage discrepancies that resulted in revocation of that customer’s authorization.

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(6) The customer has any unresolved postage discrepancies.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52


Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Midwest Generation Variances

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve into the Illinois regional haze State Implementation Plan (SIP) variances affecting the following Midwest Generation, LLC facilities: Crawford Generating Station (Cook County), Joliet Generating Station (Will County),