List of Subjects in 26 CFR Part 1
Income taxes, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Withdrawal of Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
Under the authority of 26 U.S.C. 7805, the notice of proposed rulemaking (REG–138344–13) that was published in the Federal Register on September 17, 2015 (80 FR 55802) is withdrawn.

Karen M. Schiller,
Acting Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

41 CFR Parts 300–3, 301–11, 301–12, and 301–70
[FTR Case 2015–304; Docket 2015–0017, and 301–70]
RIN 3090–AJ56

Federal Travel Regulation; Updating the Incidental Expenses Definition and the Laundry, Cleaning, and Pressing of Clothing Policy

AGENCY: Office of Government-wide Policy (OGP), General Services Administration (GSA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: GSA is proposing to amend the Federal Travel Regulation (FTR) by updating the definition for incidental expenses to include ATM fees, and by clarifying the policy for laundry, cleaning, and pressing of clothing.

DATES: Interested parties should submit comments to the Regulatory Secretariat at one of the addresses shown below on or before March 8, 2016 to be considered in the formation of the final rule.

ADDRESS: Submit comments identified by FTR Case 2015–304 by any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching for “FTR Case 2015–304.” Select the link “Comment Now” that corresponds with “FTR Case 2015–304” and follow the instructions provided at the screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and “FTR Case 2015–304” on your attached document.

• Mail: General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCR), Attn: Ms. Flowers, 1800 F Street NW., Washington, DC 20405.

• Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite “FTR Case 2015–304”, in all correspondence related to this case. All comments will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check www.regulations.gov approximately two to three days after submission to verify posting (except allow 30 days for posting of comments submitted by mail).


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background
The FTR currently lists incidental expenses as fees and tips given to porters, baggage carriers, hotel staff, and staff on ships. Including ATM fees in incidental expenses, rather than reimbursing as a miscellaneous expense, will increase the Government’s ability to project travel costs, improve cost control, and simplify rules of official travel. Additionally, this proposed rule removes the ambiguity on whether reimbursement of expenses for laundry, cleaning, and pressing of clothing for employees who go on official travel are subject to agency discretion.

B. Executive Orders 12866 and 13563
Executive Orders (E.O.s) 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess all costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives, and if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits (including potential economic, environmental, public health and safety effects, distributive impacts, and equity). E.O. 13563 emphasizes the importance of quantifying both costs and benefits, of reducing costs, of harmonizing rules, and of promoting flexibility. This proposed rule is not a significant regulatory action, and therefore, was not subject to review under Section 6(b) of E.O. 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993.

C. Regulatory Flexibility Act
This proposed rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, et seq. This proposed rule is also exempt from the Administrative Procedure Act pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2) because it applies to agency management or personnel.

D. Paperwork Reduction Act
The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the proposed changes to the FTR do not impose recordkeeping or information collection requirements, or the collection of information from offerors, contractors, or members of the public that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under 44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.

E. Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act
This proposed rule is also exempt from Congressional review prescribed under 5 U.S.C. 801. This proposed rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804.

List of Subjects in 41 CFR Parts 300–3, 301–11, 301–12 and 301–70
Administrative practices and procedures, Government employees, Travel and transportation expenses.

Dated: December 7, 2015.

Giancarlo Brizzi,
Acting Associate Administrator (M), Office of Government-wide Policy.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5701–5711, GSA proposes to amend 41 CFR parts 300–3, 301–11, 301–12, and 301–70 as set forth below:

PART 300–3—GLOSSARY OF TERMS

1. The authority citation for 41 CFR part 300–3 continues to read as follows:


2. Amend § 300–3.1 in the definition “Per diem allowance” by revising paragraph (c) to read as follows:

§ 300–3.1 What do the following terms mean?

* * * * *
Per diem allowance * * * *
(c) Incidental expenses—Transaction fees for ATM services, and fees and tips given to porters, baggage carriers, hotel staff, and staff on ships.

PART 301–11—PER DIEM EXPENSES

3. The authority citation for 41 CFR part 301–11 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 5707.

4. Amend § 301–11.31 by removing the first two sentences and adding one
§ 301–11.31 Are laundry, cleaning, and pressing of clothing expenses reimbursable?

Your agency may reimburse the expenses incurred for laundry, cleaning, and pressing of clothing as a miscellaneous travel expense for TDY within CONUS.

PART 301–12—MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

§ 301–70.301 What governing policies must we establish for payment of per diem expenses?

- (c) Who will determine if other miscellaneous expenses such as expenses for laundry, cleaning and pressing of clothing are appropriate for reimbursement in connection with official travel.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

42 CFR Part 100

RIN 0906–AB00

National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program: Revisions to the Vaccine Injury Table

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: This document announces a public hearing to receive information and views on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) entitled “National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program: Revisions to the Vaccine Injury Table.”

DATES: January 14, 2016, from 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. (EST).

TWO INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Melissa Houston, Director, Division of Injury Compensation Programs, at 855–20857 or email to aherzog@hrsa.gov. To ensure timely handling, any outer envelope or the subject line of an email should be clearly marked: “DICP NPRM Hearing.” The notice of participation should contain the interested person’s name, address, email address, telephone number, any business or organizational affiliation of the person desiring to make a presentation, a brief summary of the presentation, and the approximate time requested for the presentation. Groups that have similar interests should consolidate their comments as part of one presentation. Time available for the hearing will be allocated among the persons who properly file notices of participation. If time permits, interested parties attending the hearing who did not submit notice of participation in advance will be allowed to make an oral presentation at the conclusion of the hearing.

Persons who find that there is insufficient time to submit the required information in writing may give oral notice of participation by contacting Annie Herzog, Division of Injury Compensation Programs, at (301) 443–6634 or email at aherzog@hrsa.gov, no later than January 11, 2016.

After reviewing the notices of participation and accompanying information, HHS will schedule each appearance and notify each participant by mail, email, or telephone of the time allotted to the person(s) and the approximate time the person’s oral presentation is scheduled to begin.

Written comments and transcripts of the hearing will be made available for public inspection as soon as they have been prepared, on weekdays (federal holidays excepted) between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. (EDT) by contacting Annie Herzog by mail at

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