The Commission invites comments on whether the Postal Service’s request(s) in the captioned docket(s) are consistent with the policies of title 39. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern market dominant product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3622, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3010, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. For request(s) that the Postal Service states concern competitive product(s), applicable statutory and regulatory requirements include 39 U.S.C. 3632, 39 U.S.C. 3633, 39 U.S.C. 3642, 39 CFR part 3015, and 39 CFR part 3020, subpart B. Comment deadline(s) for each request appear in section II.

II. Docketed Proceeding(s)


This Notice will be published in the Federal Register.

Stacy L. Ruble,
Secretary.
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POSTAL SERVICE

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Postal ServiceTM.
day time frame; and confirm the presence of a Hold Mail request when a Change of Address request is submitted during a 30 day time frame. The Address Matching Database will also send confirmation notifications to customers who submit a Hold Mail request.

Operation Santa is a long-standing program that collects the thousands of letters to Santa the Postal Service receives each year and allows customers to collect and fulfill gift requests for underprivileged children. In 2017 USPS digitalized the program in a Pilot test out of the Farley, NY building to continue to protect children’s PII while allowing more letters to be adopted. In 2018 the Pilot program will be expanded to 7 markets while performing a volume test in hopes of expanding the program nationally in the coming years. The Letters from Santa program also adds to the excitement of Christmas and is ideal for interesting youngsters in letter writing, stamps and penmanship. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(11), interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, or arguments on this proposal. A report of the proposed revisions has been sent to Congress and to the Office of Management and Budget for their evaluations. The Postal Service does not expect these amended systems of records to have any adverse effect on individual privacy rights. The notice for USPS 830.000, Customer Service and Correspondence, provided below in its entirety, is as follows:

SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER: USPS 830.000, Customer Service and Correspondence.

SYSTEM CLASSIFICATION: None.

SYSTEM LOCATION: USPS Consumer and Industry Affairs, Headquarters; Integrated Business Solutions Services Centers; the National Customer Support Center (NCSC); districts, Post Offices, contractor sites; and detached mailing units at customer sites.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S): Chief Customer and Marketing Officer and Executive Vice President, United States Postal Service, 475 L’Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20260–5005; (202) 268–7536.


PURPOSE(S) OF THE SYSTEM: To ensure that customer accounts and needs are attended to in a timely manner.

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PURPOSE(S) OF THE SYSTEM: To enable review and response services for customer inquiries and concerns regarding USPS and its products and services.
controls including access controls, terminal and transaction logging, and file management software. Online data transmissions are protected by encryption.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:
Requests for access must be made in accordance with the Notification Procedure above and USPS Privacy Act regulations regarding access to records and verification of identity under 39 CFR 266.6.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:
See Notification Procedure below and Record Access Procedures above.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:
Customers wanting to know if information about them is maintained in this system of records must address inquiries to the system manager in writing. Inquiries should include name, address, and other identifying information.

EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:
None.

HISTORY:

Ruth Stevenson,
Attorney, Federal Compliance.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

2019 Railroad Experience Rating Proclamations, Monthly Compensation Base and Other Determinations

AGENCY: Railroad Retirement Board.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (Act), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) hereby publishes its notice for calendar year 2019 of account balances, factors used in calculating experience-based employer contribution rates, computation of amounts related to the monthly compensation base, and the maximum daily benefit rate for days of unemployment or sickness.

DATES: The balance in notice (1) and the determinations made in notices (3) through (7) are based on data as of June 30, 2018. The balance in notice (2) is based on data as of September 30, 2018. The determinations made in notices (5) through (7) apply to the calculation, under section 8(a)(1)(C) of the Act, of employer contribution rates for 2019. The determinations made in notices (8) through (11) are effective January 1, 2019. The determination made in notice (12) is effective for registration periods beginning after June 30, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Secretary to the Board, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 N Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611–1275.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The RRB is required by section 8(c)(1) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (Act) (45 U.S.C. 358(c)(1)) as amended by Public Law 100–647, to proclaim by October 15 of each year certain system-wide factors used in calculating experience-based employer contribution rates for the following year. The RRB is further required by section 8(c)(2) of the Act (45 U.S.C. 358(c)(2)) to publish the amounts so determined and proclaimed. The RRB is required by section 12(r)(3) of the Act (45 U.S.C. 362(r)(3)) to publish by December 11, 2018, the computation of the calendar year 2019 monthly compensation base (section 1(i) of the Act) and amounts described in sections 1(k), 2(c), 3 and 4(a–2)(i)(A) of the Act which are related to changes in the monthly compensation base. Also, the RRB is required to publish, by June 11, 2019, the maximum daily benefit rate under section 2(a)(3) of the Act for days of unemployment and days of sickness in registration periods beginning after June 30, 2019.

Pursuant to section 8(c)(2) and section 12(r)(3) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (Act) (45 U.S.C. 358(c)(2) and 45 U.S.C. 362(r)(3), respectively), the Board gives notice of the following:

1. The balance to the credit of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance (RUI) Account, as of June 30, 2018, is $118,064,725.00;
2. The September 30, 2018, balance of any new loans to the RUI Account, including accrued interest, is zero;
3. The system compensation base for calendar year 2019 is $4,148,935,149.55 as of June 30, 2018;
4. The cumulative system unallocated charge balance is ($433,831,623.64) as of June 30, 2018;
5. The pooled credit ratio for calendar year 2019 is zero;
6. The pooled charged ratio for calendar year 2019 is zero;
7. The surcharge rate for calendar year 2019 is 1.5 percent;
8. The monthly compensation base under section 1(i) of the Act is $1,605 for months in calendar year 2019;
9. The amount described in sections 1(k) and 3 of the Act as “2.5 times the monthly compensation base” is $4,012.50 for base year (calendar year) 2019;
10. The amount described in section 4(a–2)(i)(A) of the Act as “2.5 times the monthly compensation base” is $4,012.50 with respect to disqualifications ending in calendar year 2019;
11. The amount described in section 2(c) of the Act as “an amount that bears the same ratio to $775 as the monthly compensation base for that year as computed under section 1(i) of this Act bears to $600” is $2,073 for months in calendar year 2019;
12. The maximum daily benefit rate under section 2(a)(3) of the Act is $78 with respect to days of unemployment and days of sickness in registration periods beginning after June 30, 2019.

Surcharge Rate
A surcharge is added in the calculation of each employer’s contribution rate subject to the applicable maximum rate, for a calendar year whenever the balance to the credit of the RUI Account on the preceding June 30 is less than the greater of $100 million or the amount that bears the same ratio to $100 million as the system compensation base for that June 30 bears to the system compensation base as of June 30, 1991. If the RUI Account balance is less than $100 million (as indexed), but at least $50 million (as indexed), the surcharge will be 1.5 percent. If the RUI Account balance is less than $50 million (as indexed), but greater than zero, the surcharge will be 2.5 percent. The maximum surcharge of 3.5 percent applies if the RUI Account balance is less than zero.

The ratio of the June 30, 2018 system compensation base of $4,148,935,149.55 to the June 30, 1991 system compensation base of $2,763,287,237.04 is 1.50144911. Multiplying 1.50144911 by $100 million yields $150,144,911.00. Multiplying $50 million by 1.50144911 produces $75,072,455.50. The Account balance on June 30, 2018, was $118,064,725.00. Accordingly, the surcharge for calendar year 2019 is 1.5 percent.

Monthly Compensation Base
For years after 1988, section 1(i) of the Act contains a formula for determining the monthly compensation base. Under the prescribed formula, the monthly compensation base increases by approximately two-thirds of the cumulative growth in average national wages since 1984. The monthly compensation base for the months in calendar year 2019 shall be equal to the greater of (a) $600 or (b) $600 [1 + {(A