accessed on the Commission's Electronic Document Information System (EDIS) at *https://edis.usitc.gov.* For help accessing EDIS, please email *EDIS3Help@usitc.gov.*

General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at United States International Trade Commission (USITC) at *https://www.usitc.gov* . The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's Electronic Document Information System (EDIS) at *https://edis.usitc.gov.* Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205–1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission has received a complaint and a submission pursuant to § 210.8(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure filed on behalf of New Balance Athletics, Inc. on November 18, 2026. The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337) in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain athletic footwear. The complaint names as respondents: Wenzhou Zibo Trading Co., Ltd. of China; and Wenzhou Bobo International Trade. Co., Ltd. of China. The complainant requests that the Commission issue a limited exclusion order, cease and desist orders and impose a bond upon respondents' alleged infringing articles during the 60-day Presidential review period pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1337(j).

Proposed respondents, other interested parties, members of the public, and interested government agencies are invited to file comments on any public interest issues raised by the complaint or § 210.8(b) filing. Comments should address whether issuance of the relief specifically requested by the complainant in this investigation would affect the public health and welfare in the United States, competitive conditions in the United States economy, the production of like or directly competitive articles in the United States, or United States consumers.

In particular, the Commission is interested in comments that:

(i) explain how the articles potentially subject to the requested remedial orders are used in the United States;

(ii) identify any public health, safety, or welfare concerns in the United States relating to the requested remedial orders;

(iii) identify like or directly competitive articles that complainant, its licensees, or third parties make in the United States which could replace the subject articles if they were to be excluded;

(iv) indicate whether complainant, complainant's licensees, and/or third party suppliers have the capacity to replace the volume of articles potentially subject to the requested exclusion order and/or a cease and desist order within a commercially reasonable time; and

(v) explain how the requested remedial orders would impact United States consumers.

Written submissions on the public interest must be filed no later than by close of business, eight calendar days after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. There will be further opportunities for comment on the public interest after the issuance of any final initial determination in this investigation. Any written submissions on other issues must also be filed by no later than the close of business (5:15 p.m.) [1], eight calendar days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Complainant(s) may file replies to any written submissions no later than three calendar days after the date on which the written submissions were due. Notwithstanding § 201.14(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the deadlines for written submissions and replies shall be counted by calendar days starting with the first calendar day following the **Federal Register** publication date or the due date for written submissions, respectively. The provisions of § 201.14(a) regarding the last day of the period still apply concerning the due date of any filings. No other submissions will be accepted, unless requested by the Commission. Any submissions and replies filed in response to this Notice are limited to five (5) pages in length, inclusive of attachments.

Persons filing written submissions must file the original document electronically on or before the deadlines stated above. Submissions should refer to the docket number (''Docket No. 3954'') in a prominent place on the cover page and/or the first page. (*See* Handbook for Electronic Filing Procedures, Electronic Filing Procedures.) [2] Please note the Secretary's Office will accept only electronic filings unless an exemption is granted. Filings must be made through the Commission's Electronic Document Information System (EDIS, *https://edis.usitc.gov.*) Persons with questions regarding filing should contact the Secretary at *EDIS3Help@usitc.gov.*

Any person desiring to submit a document to the Commission in confidence must request confidential treatment. All such requests should be directed to the Secretary to the Commission and must include a full statement of the reasons why the Commission should grant such treatment. *See* 19 CFR 201.6. Documents for which confidential treatment by the Commission is properly sought will be treated accordingly. All information, including confidential business information and documents for which confidential treatment is properly sought, submitted to the Commission for purposes of this Investigation may be disclosed to and used: (i) by the Commission, its employees and Offices, and contract personnel (a) for developing or maintaining the records of this or a related proceeding, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. government employees and contract personnel, [3] solely for cybersecurity purposes. All nonconfidential written submissions will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Secretary and on EDIS.[4]

This action is taken under the authority of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and of §§ 201.10 and 210.8(c) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.10, 210.8(c)).

By order of the Commission.
Issued: November 19, 2026.

Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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[1] *See* 19 CFR 201.3(c).

[2] Handbook for Electronic Filing Procedures: *https://www.usitc.gov/secretary/documents/handbook_on_filing_procedures.pdf.*

[3] All contract personnel will sign appropriate nondisclosure agreements.

[4] Electronic Document Information System (EDIS): *https://edis.usitc.gov.*

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Proposed Stipulation of Settlement Under the Clean Water Act

On November 19, 2026, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed Stipulation of Settlement with the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey in the lawsuit entitled *United States* v. *Unico Marine Services, LLC,* Civil Action No. 24–8841.

The United States filed this lawsuit under the Clean Water Act. The United

States' complaint seeks injunctive relief and civil penalties for the unauthorized discharge of oily bilge water into the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of New Jersey from an articulated towing vessel and related violations of the Coast Guard's pollution control regulations. The defendant has since sold the articulated barge and towing vessel and represents that it is no longer in the maritime shipping business. The settlement requires the defendant to pay a $350,000 civil penalty.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the Stipulation of Settlement. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Energy and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States* v. *Unico Marine Services, LLC,* D.J. Ref. No. 90–5–1–1–12753. All comments must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

To submit comments:	*Send them to:*
By email	*pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov.*
By mail	Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044–7611.

Any comments submitted in writing may be filed in whole or in part on the public court docket without notice to the commenter.

During the public comment period, the Stipulation of Settlement may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: *https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees.* If you require assistance accessing the Stipulation of Settlement, you may request assistance by email or by mail to the addresses provided above for submitting comments.

Eric D. Albert,

Assistant Section Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Energy and Natural Resources Division.

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MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD

Agency Information Collection Activities: Reinstatement With Change of a Previously Approved Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Merit Systems Protection Board.

ACTION: 30-Day notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB) is seeking to reinstate with change a previously approved information collection request (ICR), identified by OMB Control No. 3124–0017, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). MSPB will submit the ICR to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance. MSPB's ICR expired on September 30, 2026. This information collection is part of MSPB's statutory mission to adjudicate appeals of certain Federal agency personnel and retirement actions and certain alleged violations of law. The information collection instruments consist of the Initial Appeal Form in different collection mediums: paper; PDF; and electronically through MSPB's electronic filing system, e-Appeal. Through this collection and approval process, MSPB is complying with normal clearance procedures. The purpose of this notice is to allow 30 days for public comment after submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by December 23, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection within 30 days of publication of this notice to *https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.* Find this particular information collection by selecting ''Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments'' or by using the search function. All comments must reference OMB Control No. 3124–0017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gina K. Grippando, Clerk of the Board and Senior Agency Official for Privacy, at *privacy@mspb.gov.* You may submit written questions to the Office of the Clerk of the Board by email to *privacy@mspb.gov.* Please include OMB Control No. 3124–0017 in the subject line.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: MSPB is authorized to adjudicate appeals of certain Federal agency personnel and retirement actions and certain alleged violations of law. *See* 5 U.S.C. 7701(a); 5 U.S.C. 1204. The Board has published its regulations for processing appeals at 5 CFR parts 1201, 1208, and 1209, which include the information required to be submitted to initiate a new appeal. Individuals must provide this information in writing and are not required to use a particular format.

The purpose of collecting the information is to ensure that individuals submit the required information to file an appeal, as set forth in MSPB's regulations. While no specific format is required, MSPB provides an appeal form, MSPB Form 185 (Initial Appeal Form), to assist individuals in the efficient and timely submission of the information.

As set forth in statute and regulation, MSPB is a quasi-judicial agency of limited jurisdiction. The Board's regulations require that appellants provide certain information when filing an appeal so that the Board can determine whether it has jurisdiction over the appeal and whether the appeal has been filed within the applicable time limit. Although an appeal may be filed in any format, including letter form, the Initial Appeal Form is designed to assist individuals in submitting the required information, and to ensure that individuals file appeals that meet the jurisdictional requirements of MSPB. The information required to file an appeal is set forth at 5 CFR 1201.24, 1208.13, 1208.23, and 1209.6. Once obtained, this information allows MSPB to docket the appeal for assignment, typically to an administrative judge to adjudicate the appeal. If this information is not collected, the process of determining whether MSPB has jurisdiction over any given appeal and any subsequent adjudication will be less efficient and more time consuming.

Appeal Form 185

The Initial Appeal Form (Form 185) for this reinstatement is substantially similar to the recently expired Initial Appeal Form with the following updates. The Instructions include edits to remove references to field offices and an update to the Privacy Act Statement to reflect the current system of records notice for appeals and case records. Part 2—Agency Personnel Action or Decision (non-retirement) includes updates to address changes in laws or regulations, including recent regulatory revisions that went into effect on September 2, 2026. Specifically, it removes the following check boxes: ''Termination during probationary or initial service period'' and ''Negative suitability determination.'' It also modifies the check box that currently states ''Separation, demotion or furlough for more than 30 days by reduction in force (RIF)'' to state ''Reduction-in-force (RIF) action in the Foreign Service.'' And it adds a new check box for ''Failure to restore to duty from Uniformed Service or work-related compensable injury.'' Appendix B includes updates to remove the Denver Field Office and add to the Western Regional Office the following states: