■ 2. Section 381.5 is amended by revising paragraphs (c)(3)(v) and (c)(4)(v) as follows:

§ 381.5 Performance of musical compositions by public broadcasting entities licensed to colleges and universities.

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(c) * * *

(3) * * *

(v) 2027: $213 per station.

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(4) * * *

(v) 2027: $213 per station.

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Dated: November 23, 2026.

Trevor Jefferson,

Chief Copyright Royalty Judge.

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Copyright Royalty Board

37 CFR Part 385

[Docket No. 26–CRB–0009 COLA PR (2027)]

Cost of Living Adjustment to Royalty Rates and Terms for Making and Distributing Phonorecords

AGENCY: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Final rule; cost of living adjustment.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Royalty Judges (''Judges'') announce a cost of living adjustment (''COLA'') in the royalty rates for the statutory license for making and distributing phonorecords of nondramatic musical works regarding physical phonorecords and Permanent Downloads.

DATES:

Effective date: November 27, 2026.

Applicability date: These rates and terms are applicable during the period from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anita Brown, CRB Program Specialist, (202) 707–7658, *crb@loc.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 115 of the Copyright Act, title 17 of the United States Code, creates a statutory license for making and distributing phonorecords of nondramatic musical works. On December 16, 2022, the Judges adopted final regulations governing the rates and terms of copyright royalty payments under that license for the license period 2023–2027 for making and distributing phonorecords of nondramatic musical works. *See* 87 FR 76937 (December 16, 2022).

Pursuant to those regulations, at least 25 days before January 1 of each year, the Judges shall publish in the **Federal Register** notice of a COLA applicable to the royalty fees for making and distributing physical phonorecords and Permanent Downloads. *See* 37 CFR 385.11.

The adjustment in the royalty fee shall be based on a calculation of the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (''CPI–U'') published in November 2022 (298.012) [1] (''base rate'') according to the following formulas: for the per-work rate, $(1 + (Cy—298.012)/298.012) \times 12¢$, rounded to the nearest tenth of a cent; for the per-minute rate, $(1 + (Cy—298.012)/298.012) \times 2.31¢$, rounded to the nearest hundredth of a cent; where Cy is the CPI–U published by the Secretary of Labor before December 1 of the preceding year. 37 CFR 385.11(a)(2). The CPI–U published by the Secretary of Labor from the most recent index published before December 1, 2026, is 337.511.[2] Applying the formulas in 37 CFR 385.11(a)(2) results in an increase in the rates for 2027.

The adjusted rates for 2027 are 13.6 cents for the per-work rate and 2.62 cents for the per-minute rate.

List of Subjects in 37 CFR Part 385

Copyright, Phonorecords, Recordings.

Final Regulations

In consideration of the foregoing, the Judges amend part 385 of title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations as follows:

PART 385—RATES AND TERMS FOR USE OF NONDRAMATIC MUSICAL WORKS IN THE MAKING AND DISTRIBUTING OF PHYSICAL AND DIGITAL PHONORECORDS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 385 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 17 U.S.C. 115, 801(b)(1), 804(b)(4).

■ 2. Section 385.11 is amended by revising paragraph (a)(1) to read as follows:

§ 385.11 Royalty rates.

(a) * * *

(1) *2027 rate.* For the year 2027 for every physical phonorecord and Permanent Download the Licensee makes and distributes or authorizes to be made and distributed, the royalty rate payable for each work embodied in the phonorecord or Permanent Download shall be either 13.6 cents or 2.62 cents per minute of playing time or fraction thereof, whichever amount is larger.

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Dated: November 24, 2026.

Trevor Jefferson,

Chief Copyright Royalty Judge.

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[1] The CPI–U published in November 2022 is available at *https://www.bls.gov/news.release/archives/cpi_11102022.htm* at Table 1 (last visited November 18, 2026).

[2] The CPI–U announced on November 10, 2026 by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in its Consumer Price Index News Release—Consumer Price Index, (337.511) is available at *https://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/cpi.pdf* at Table 1 (last visited Nov. 23, 2026).

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Copyright Royalty Board

37 CFR Part 386

[Docket No. 26–CRB–0007–COLA SA (2027)]

Cost of Living Adjustment to Satellite Carrier Compulsory License Royalty Rates

AGENCY: Copyright Royalty Board (CRB), Library of Congress.

ACTION: Final rule; cost of living adjustment.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Royalty Judges (''Judges'') announce a cost of living adjustment (''COLA'') of 3.9% in the royalty rates satellite carriers pay for a compulsory license under the Copyright Act. The COLA is based on the change in the Consumer Price Index from October 2025 to September 2026.

DATES:

Effective date: November 27, 2026.

Applicability dates: These rates are applicable to the period January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anita Brown, CRB Program Specialist, (202) 707–7658, *crb@loc.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The satellite carrier compulsory license establishes a statutory copyright licensing scheme for the distant retransmission of television programming by satellite carriers. 17 U.S.C. 119. Congress created the license in 1988 and reauthorized the license for additional five-year periods until 2019 when it made the license permanent.[1]

[1] The most recent five-year reauthorization was pursuant to the STELA Reauthorization Act of 2014, Public Law 113–200. The license was made permanent by the Satellite Television Community Protection and Promotion Act of 2019, Public Law 116–94, div. P, title XI, § 1102(a), (c)(1), 133 Stat. 3201, 3203.

On August 31, 2010, the Judges adopted rates for the section 119 compulsory license for the 2010–2014 term. *See* 75 FR 53198. The rates were proposed by Copyright Owners and Satellite Carriers [2] and were unopposed. *Id.* Section 119(c)(2) of the Copyright Act provides that, effective January 1 of each year, the Judges shall adjust the royalty fee payable under section 119(b)(1)(B) ''to reflect any changes occurring in the cost of living as determined by the most recent Consumer Price Index (for all consumers and for all items) (''CPI–U'') published by the Secretary of Labor before December 1 of the preceding year.'' Section 119 also requires that ''[n]otification of the adjusted fees shall be published in the **Federal Register** at least 25 days before January 1.'' 17 U.S.C. 119(c)(2).

The change in the cost of living as determined by the CPI–U during the period from the most recent index published before December 1, 2025, to the most recent index published before December 1, 2026, is 3.9%.[3] Application of the 3.9% COLA to the current rate for the secondary transmission of broadcast stations by satellite carriers for private home viewing—37 cents per subscriber per month—results in a rate of 38 cents per subscriber per month (rounded to the nearest cent). *See* 37 CFR 386.2(b)(1). Application of the 3.9% COLA to the current rate for viewing in commercial establishments—76 cents per subscriber per month—results in a rate of 79 cents per subscriber per month (rounded to the nearest cent). *See* 37 CFR 386.2(b)(2).

List of Subjects in 37 CFR Part 386

Copyright, Satellite, Television.

[2] Program Suppliers and Joint Sports Claimants comprised the Copyright Owners while DIRECTV, Inc., DISH Network, LLC, and National Programming Service, LLC, comprised the Satellite Carriers.

[3] The CPI–U announced on November 10, 2026, by the Bureau of Labor Statistics in its Consumer Price Index News Release—Consumer Price Index, (337.511) is available at *https://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/cpi.pdf* at Table 1 (last visited Nov. 23, 2026). The Copyright Royalty Judges note that the October 24, 2025, publication of the September 2025 CPI–U was the most recent CPI–U published by the Secretary of Labor prior to the previous notice of the COLA for 2026. The Bureau of Labor statistics has explained ''BLS could not collect October 2025 reference period survey data due to a lapse in appropriations.'' See *https://www.bls.gov/bls/2025-lapse-revised-releasedates.htm* (last visited Nov. 23, 2026). The change in the cost of living during the period from the most recent index published prior to the previous notice to the most recent index published prior to December 1 of this year, *i.e.,* the change from September 2025 to October 2026, is 3.9% ((337.511–324.800)/324.800).

Final Regulations

In consideration of the foregoing, the Judges amend part 386 of title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations as follows:

PART 386—ADJUSTMENT OF ROYALTY FEES FOR SECONDARY TRANSMISSIONS BY SATELLITE CARRIERS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 386 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 17 U.S.C. 119(c), 801(b)(1).

■ 2. Section 386.2 is amended by adding paragraphs (b)(1)(xviii) and (b)(2)(xviii) to read as follows:

§ 386.2 Royalty fee for secondary transmission by satellite carriers.

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(b) * * *

(1) * * *

(xviii) 2027: 38 cents per subscriber per month.

(2) * * *

(xviii) 2027: 79 cents per subscriber per month.

Dated: November 24, 2026.

Trevor Jefferson,

Chief Copyright Royalty Judge.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[EPA–R09–OAR–2025–1641; FRL–12972–02–R9]

Air Quality Plan; California; San Diego County Air Pollution Control District; Landfill Flares

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is taking final action to conditionally approve a revision to the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (SDCAPCD or ''District'') portion of the California State implementation plan (SIP). This revision concerns emissions of oxides of nitrogen (NO_X) from landfill flares. We are conditionally approving a local rule to regulate these emission sources under the Clean Air Act (CAA or ''Act'').

DATES: This rule is effective December 28, 2026.

ADDRESSES: The EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID No. EPA–R09–OAR–2025–1641. All documents in the docket are listed on the *https://www.regulations.gov* website. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, *e.g.,* Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, is not placed on the internet and will be publicly available only in hard copy form. Publicly available docket materials are available through *https://www.regulations.gov,* or please contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section for additional availability information. If you need assistance in a language other than English or if you are a person with a disability who needs a reasonable accommodation at no cost to you, please contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donnique Sherman, ARD–3, EPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA 94105; telephone number: (415) 947–4129; email address: *sherman.donnique@epa.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Throughout this final rule, the use of ''we,'' ''us,'' or ''our'' is intended to refer to the EPA. We use multiple abbreviations and terms in this final rule. While this list may not be exhaustive, for ease of reading and for reference purposes, the EPA defines the following terms and acronyms here:

ASTM—Advancing Standards Transforming Markets
CAA—Clean Air Act
CARB—California Air Resources Board
CBI—confidential business information
CFR—Code of Federal Regulations
CTG—control techniques guideline
EPA—Environmental Protection Agency
NAAQS—national ambient air quality standards
NO_X—oxides of nitrogen
RACT—reasonably available control technology
SDCAPCD—San Diego County Air Pollution Control District
SIP—State Implementation Plan
TSD—technical support document
VOC—volatile organic compounds

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