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consent is not a condition either for the obtaining of employment or its continuance, or (2) provided for in a bona fide collective bargaining agreement between the contractor or subcontractor and representatives of its employees; and

(d) The deduction serves the convenience and interest of the employee.

§ 3.7 Applications for the approval of the Secretary of Labor.

Any application for the making of payroll deductions under § 3.6 shall comply with the requirements prescribed in the following paragraphs of this section:

(a) The application shall be in writing and shall be addressed to the Secretary of Labor.

(b) The application need not identify the contract or contracts under which the work in question is to be performed. Permission will be given for deductions on all current and future contracts of the applicant for a period of 1 year. A renewal of permission to make such payroll deduction will be granted upon the submission of an application which makes reference to the original application, recites the date of the Secretary of Labor's approval of such deductions, states affirmatively that there is continued compliance with the standards set forth in the provisions of § 3.6, and specifies any conditions which have changed in regard to the payroll deductions.

(c) The application shall state affirmatively that there is compliance with the standards set forth in the provisions of § 3.6. The affirmation shall be accompanied by a full statement of the facts indicating such compliance.

(d) The application shall include a description of the proposed deduction, the purpose to be served thereby, and the classes of laborers or mechanics from whose wages the proposed deduction would be made.

(e) The application shall state the name and business of any third person to whom any funds obtained from the proposed deductions are to be transmitted and the affiliation of such person, if any, with the applicant.

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§ 3.8 Action by the Secretary of Labor upon applications.

The Secretary of Labor shall decide whether or not the requested deduction is permissible under provisions of § 3.6; and shall notify the applicant in writing of his decision.

§ 3.9 Prohibited payroll deductions.

Deductions not elsewhere provided for by this part and which are not found to be permissible under § 3.6 are prohibited.

§ 3.10 Methods of payment of wages.

The payment of wages shall be by cash, negotiable instruments payable on demand, or the additional forms of compensation for which deductions are permissible under this part. No other methods of payment shall be recognized on work subject to the Copeland Act.

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All contracts made with respect to the construction, prosecution, completion, or repair of any public building or public work or building or work financed in whole or in part by loans or grants from the United States covered by the regulations in this part shall expressly bind the contractor or subcontractor to comply with such of the regulations in this part as may be applicable. In this regard, see § 5.5(a) of this subtitle.

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Subpart A—Service Contract Labor Standards Provisions and Procedures

§ 4.1 Purpose and scope.

This part contains the Department of Labor’s rules relating to the administration of the McNamara-O’Hara Service Contract Act of 1965, as amended,

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referred to hereinafter as the Act. Rules of practice for administrative proceedings under the Act and for the review of wage determinations are contained in parts 6 and 8 of this chapter. See part 1925 of this title for the safety and health standards applicable under the Service Contract Act.

§ 4.1a Definitions and use of terms.

As used in this part, unless otherwise indicated by the context—

(a) *Act*, *Service Contract Act*, *McNamara-O’Hara Act*, or *Service Contract Act of 1965* shall mean the Service Contract Act of 1965 as amended by Public Law 92–473, 86 Stat. 789, effective October 9, 1972, Public Law 93–57, 87 Stat. 140, effective July 6, 1973, and Public Law 94–489, 90 Stat. 2358, effective October 13, 1976 and any subsequent amendments thereto.

(b) *Secretary* includes the Secretary of Labor, the Assistant Secretary for Employment Standards, and their authorized representatives.

(c) *Wage and Hour Division* means the organizational unit in the Employment Standards Administration of the Department of Labor to which is assigned the performance of functions of the Secretary under the Service Contract Act of 1965, as amended.

(d) *Administrator* means the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, or authorized representative.

(e) *Contract* includes any contract subject wholly or in part to the provisions of the Service Contract Act of 1965 as amended, and any subcontract of any tier thereunder. (See §§4.10–4.134.)

(f) *Contractor* includes a subcontractor whose subcontract is subject to provisions of the Act. Also, the term *employer* means, and is used interchangeably with, the terms *contractor* and *subcontractor* in various sections in this part. The U.S. Government, its agencies, and instrumentalities are not contractors, subcontractors, employers or joint employers for purposes of compliance with the provisions of the Act.

(g) *Affiliate* or *affiliated person* includes a spouse, child, parent, or other close relative of the contractor or subcontractor; a partner or officer of the