

impacts because minimal additional use of vehicles is anticipated. DOE has therefore determined that this rule is covered under the Categorical Exclusion found at paragraph A.5 of Appendix A to subpart D, 10 CFR part 1021, which applies to rulemakings amending existing regulations that do not change the environmental effect of the regulations being amended.

G. Review Under Executive Order 13132

Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 4, 1999) imposes certain requirements on agencies formulating and implementing policies or regulations that preempt State law or that have federalism implications. Agencies are required to examine the constitutional and statutory authority supporting any action that would limit the policymaking discretion of the States and carefully assess the necessity for such actions. DOE has examined this final rule and has determined that it would not preempt State law and would not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

H. Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act, 1999

Section 654 of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act, 1999 (Pub. L. 105-277) requires Federal agencies to issue a Family Policymaking Assessment for any rule that may affect family well-being. This final rule would not have any impact on the autonomy or integrity of the family as an institution. Accordingly, DOE has concluded that it is not necessary to prepare a Family Policymaking Assessment.

I. Review Under the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act, 2001

The Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act, 2001 (44 U.S.C. 3516, note) provides for agencies to review most disseminations of information to the public under guidelines established by each agency pursuant to general guidelines issued by OMB. OMB's guidelines were published at 67 FR 8452 (February 22, 2002), and DOE's guidelines were published at 67 FR 62446 (October 7, 2002). DOE has reviewed this final rule under the OMB and DOE guidelines, and has concluded that it is consistent with applicable policies in those guidelines.

J. Review Under Executive Order 13084

Under Executive Order 13084 (Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments), DOE may not issue a discretionary rule that significantly or uniquely affects Indian tribal governments and imposes substantial direct compliance costs. This final rule would not have such effects. Accordingly, Executive Order 13084 does not apply to this rulemaking.

K. Review Under Executive Order 13045

Executive Order 13045 (Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks) contains special requirements that apply to certain rulemakings that are economically significant under Executive Order 12866. This final rule is not economically significant. Accordingly, Executive Order 13045 does not apply to this rulemaking.

List of Subjects in 41 CFR Part 109-6

Government property management, Motor vehicles.

Issued in Washington, DC, on February 13, 2003.

Richard H. Hopf,

Director, Office of Procurement and Assistance Management, Office of Management, Budget and Evaluation, Department of Energy.

Robert C. Braden, Director,

Office of Procurement and Assistance Management, National Nuclear Security Administration.

For the reasons set forth above, DOE amends 41 CFR Chapter 109 as follows:

PART 109-6—MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS

1. The authority citation for part 109-6 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Sec. 205(c), 63 Stat 390 (40 U.S.C. 486(c)); 31 U.S.C. 1344(e)(1).

Subpart 109-6.4—Official Use of Government Passenger Carriers Between Residence and Place of Employment

§ 109-6.400 [Amended]

2. In 109-6.400(a) remove the reference “41 CFR 101-6.4,” and add in its place “41 CFR part 102-5.”

§ 109-6.402 [Amended]

3. Section 109-6.402 is amended as follows:

a. In paragraph (a), remove the second sentence.

b. In paragraph (a), remove the reference “41 CFR 101-6.4,” and add in its place “41 CFR part 102-5.”

c. Paragraph (b) is removed.

d. Paragraph (c) is redesignated as paragraph (b).

e. In redesignated paragraph (b), the reference “41 CFR 101-6.402(f)” is removed and “41 CFR 102-5.105” is added in its place.

f. Paragraph (d) is redesignated as paragraph (c).

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

41 CFR Chapter 302

[FTR Case 2003-302; FTR Amendment 2003-01]

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Federal Travel Regulation; Relocation Income Tax (RIT) Allowance Tax Tables (2003 Update)

AGENCY: Office of Governmentwide Policy, General Services Administration (GSA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Federal, State, and Puerto Rico tax tables for calculating the relocation income tax (RIT) allowance must be updated yearly to reflect changes in Federal, State, and Puerto Rico income tax brackets and rates. The Federal, State, and Puerto Rico tax tables contained in this rule are for calculating the 2003 RIT allowance to be paid to relocating Federal employees.

DATES: This final rule is effective January 1, 2003, and applies for RIT allowance payments made on or after January 1, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Regulatory Secretariat, Room 4035, GS Building, Washington, DC, 20405, (202) 208-7312, for information pertaining to status or publication schedules. For clarification of content, contact Mr. Calvin L. Pittman, Office of Governmentwide Policy, Travel Management Policy, at (202) 501-1538. Please cite FTR case 2003-302, FTR Amendment 2003-01.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

Section 5724b of title 5, United States Code, provides for reimbursement of substantially all Federal, State, and local income taxes incurred by a transferred Federal employee on taxable moving expense reimbursements. Policies and procedures for the calculation and payment of a RIT allowance are contained in the Federal Travel Regulation (41 CFR part 302-17). The

Federal, State, and Puerto Rico tax tables for calculating RIT allowance payments are updated yearly to reflect changes in Federal, State, and Puerto Rico income tax brackets and rates.

B. Executive Order 12866

This is not a significant regulatory action and, therefore, was not subject to review under section 6(b) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, dated September 30, 1993. This rule is not a major rule under 5 U.S.C. 804.

C. Regulatory Flexibility Act

This final rule is not required to be published in the **Federal Register** for notice and comment; therefore, the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, does not apply.

D. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the 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 under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

E. Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act

This final rule is also exempt from congressional review prescribed under 5 U.S.C. 801 since it relates solely to agency management and personnel.

List of Subjects in 41 CFR Chapter 302

Government employees, Income taxes, Relocation allowances and entitlements,

Transfers, Travel and transportation expenses.

Dated: February 6, 2003.

Stephen A. Perry,
Administrator of General Services.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, under 5 U.S.C. 5701–5709, GSA amends 41 CFR part 302–17 as set forth below:

CHAPTER 302–17—RELOCATION INCOME TAX (RIT) ALLOWANCE

1. The authority citation for 41 CFR part 302–17 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 5738; 20 U.S.C. 905(a); E.O. 11609, 36 FR 13747, 3 CFR, 1971–1975 Comp., p. 586.

2. Revise Appendixes A, B, C, and D to part 302–17 to read as follows:

Appendix A to Part 302–17—Federal Tax Tables for RIT Allowance

Federal Marginal Tax Rates by Earned Income Level and Filing Status—Tax Year 2002

The following table is to be used to determine the Federal marginal tax rate for Year 1 for computation of the RIT allowance as prescribed in § 302–17.8(e)(1). This table is to be used for employees whose Year 1 occurred during calendar year 2002.

Marginal tax rate	Single taxpayer		Heads of household		Married filing jointly/qualifying widows & widowers		Married filing separately	
	Over	But not over	Over	But not over	Over	But not over	Over	But not over
10	\$8,137	\$14,130	\$14,743	\$24,811	\$20,219	\$31,833	\$11,770	\$16,693
15	14,130	37,040	24,811	53,556	31,833	67,914	16,693	33,839
27	37,040	80,140	53,556	118,624	67,914	139,528	33,839	69,420
30	80,140	158,281	118,624	184,826	139,528	201,236	69,420	105,672
35	158,281	326,339	184,826	337,037	201,236	335,297	105,672	178,317
38.6	326,339	.....	337,037	.....	335,297	.....	178,317	.....

Appendix B to Part 302–17—State Tax Tables For RIT Allowance

State Marginal Tax Rates by Earned Income Level—Tax Year 2002

The following table is to be used to determine the State marginal tax rates for calculation of the RIT allowance as prescribed in § 302–17.8(e)(2). This table is to be used for employees who received covered taxable reimbursements during calendar year 2002.

MARGINAL TAX RATES (STATED IN PERCENTS) FOR THE EARNED INCOME AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN EACH COLUMN^{1, 2}

State (or district)	\$20,000–\$24,999	\$25,000–\$49,999	\$50,000–\$74,999	\$75,000 & over
Alabama	5	5	5	5
Alaska	0	0	0	0
Arizona	2.87	3.2	3.74	5.04
Arkansas	4.5	7	7	7
If single status ³	6	7	7	7
California	4	6	8	9.3
If single status ³	6	8	9.3	9.3
Colorado	4.63	4.63	4.63	4.63
Connecticut	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
Delaware	5.2	5.55	5.95	5.95
District of Columbia	7	9	9	9
Florida	0	0	0	0
Georgia	6	6	6	6
Hawaii	6.4	7.6	8.25	8.25
If single status ³	7.6	8.25	8.25	8.25
Idaho	7.4	7.8	7.8	7.8
Illinois	3	3	3	3
Indiana	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
Iowa	6.48	7.92	8.98	8.98
If single status ³	6.8	7.92	8.98	8.98
Kansas	3.5	6.25	6.45	6.45
If single status ³	6.25	6.45	6.45	6.45
Kentucky	6	6	6	6

MARGINAL TAX RATES (STATED IN PERCENTS) FOR THE EARNED INCOME AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN EACH COLUMN^{1, 2}—
Continued

State (or district)	\$20,000–\$24,999	\$25,000–\$49,999	\$50,000–\$74,999	\$75,000 & over
Louisiana	2	4	4	6
If single status ³	4	4	6	6
Maine	4.5	7	8.5	8.5
If single status ³	7	8.5	8.5	8.5
Maryland	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.75
Massachusetts	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
Michigan	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1
Minnesota	5.35	7.05	7.05	7.85
If single status ³	7.05	7.05	7.85	7.85
Mississippi	5	5	5	5
Missouri	6	6	6	6
Montana	8	9	10	11
Nebraska	3.49	5.01	6.68	6.68
If single status ³	5.01	6.68	6.68	6.68
Nevada	0	0	0	0
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0
New Jersey	1.4	1.75	2.45	6.37
If single status ³	1.4	3.5	5.525	6.37
New Mexico	3.2	6	7.1	8.2
If single status ³	6	7.1	7.9	8.2
New York	4.5	5.9	6.85	6.85
If single status ³	5.25	6.85	6.85	6.85
North Carolina	6	7	7	7.75
North Dakota	2.1	3.92	4.34	5.04
If single status ³	2.1	3.92	5.04	5.04
Ohio	3.715	4.457	5.201	6.9
Oklahoma	9	10	10	10
If single status ³	10	10	10	10
Oregon	9	9	9	9
Pennsylvania	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Rhode Island ⁴	25	25	25	25
South Carolina	7	7	7	7
South Dakota	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	0	0	0	0
Texas	0	0	0	0
Utah	7	7	7	7
Vermont ⁵	24	24	24	24
Virginia	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.75
Washington	0	0	0	0
West Virginia	4	4.5	6	6.5
Wisconsin	6.15	6.5	6.5	6.75
Wyoming	0	0	0	0

¹ Earned income amounts that fall between the income brackets shown in this table (e.g., \$24,999.45, \$49,999.75) should be rounded to the nearest dollar to determine the marginal tax rate to be used in calculating the RIT allowance.

² If the earned income amount is less than the lowest income bracket shown in this table, the employing agency shall establish an appropriate marginal tax rate as provided in § 302–17.8(e)(2)(ii).

³ This rate applies only to those individuals certifying that they will file under a single status within the States where they will pay income taxes. All other taxpayers, regardless of filing status, will use the other rate shown.

⁴ The income tax rate for Rhode Island is 25 percent of Federal income tax liability for all employees. Rates shown as a percent of Federal income tax liability must be converted to a percent of income as provided in § 302–17.8(e)(2)(iii).

⁵ The income tax rate for Vermont is 24 percent of Federal income tax liability for all employees. Rates shown as a percent of Federal income tax liability must be converted to a percent of income as provided in § 302–17.8(e)(2)(iii).

Appendix C to Part 302–17—Federal Tax Tables for RIT Allowance—Year 2

Federal Marginal Tax Rates by Earned Income Level and Filing Status—Tax Year 2003

The following table is to be used to determine the Federal marginal tax rate for Year 2 for computation of the RIT allowance as prescribed in § 302–17.8(e)(1). This table is to be used for employees whose Year 1 occurred during calendar years 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, or 2002.

Marginal tax rate	Single taxpayer		Heads of household		Married filing jointly/qualifying widows & widowers		Married filing separately	
	Over	But not over	Over	But not over	Over	But not over	Over	But not over
10	\$8,274	\$14,314	\$15,005	\$25,136	\$20,977	\$32,559	\$10,958	\$16,536
15	14,314	37,771	25,136	54,712	32,559	69,722	16,536	34,507
27	37,771	81,890	54,712	122,788	69,722	142,842	34,507	70,442
30	81,890	162,802	122,788	193,703	142,842	206,675	70,442	107,631
35	162,802	334,763	193,703	350,138	206,675	343,919	107,631	181,753
38.6	334,763	.....	350,138	.....	343,919	.....	181,753	.....

Appendix D to Part 302-17—Puerto Rico Tax Tables for RIT Allowance

Puerto Rico Marginal Tax Rates by Earned Income Level—Tax Year 2002

The following table is to be used to determine the Puerto Rico marginal tax rate for computation of the RIT allowance as prescribed in § 302-17.8(e)(4)(i).

Marginal tax rate	Single filing status		Any other filing status	
	Over	But not over	Over	But not over
Percent				
10				\$25,000
15		\$25,000		
28	\$25,000	50,000	\$25,000	50,000
33	50,000		\$50,000	

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

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Radio Broadcasting Services; Alpena, MI; Arthur, NE; Milan, NM; Channing, TX; Eldorado, TX; Escobares, TX; Matador, TX; McLean, TX; Memphis, TX; Ozona, TX; Rotan, TX, Wellington, TX.; Wheeler, TX

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document grants 13 proposals that allot new channels to Alpena, Michigan; Arthur, Nebraska; Milan, New Mexico; Channing, Texas, Eldorado, Texas; Escobares, Texas; Matador, Texas; McLean, Texas; Memphis, Texas; Ozona, Texas; Rotan, Texas; Wellington, Texas; and Wheeler, Texas. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

DATES: Effective March 17, 2003. The window period for filing applications for these allotments will not be opened at this time. Instead, the issue of opening these allotments for auction will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon P. McDonald, Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 01-273, MM

Docket No. 02-43, MB Docket No. 02-107; MB Docket No. 02-168, MB Docket 02-169, MB Docket No. 02-170, MB Docket No. 02-172; MB Docket No. 02-173, MM Docket No. 02-175, MM Docket No. 02-176, MM Docket No. 02-291; MM Docket No. 02-292, and MM Docket No. 02-293, adopted January 29, 2003, and released January 31, 2003.

The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center (Room CY-A257), 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554.

The Commission, at the request of Linda Crawford, allots Channel 258C1 at Eldorado, Texas, as the community's third local FM transmission service. See 66 FR 52734, October 17, 2001. Channel 258C1 can be allotted at Eldorado in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction 7.4 kilometers (4.8 miles) south to avoid a short-spacing to the licensed site of Station KYZZ(FM), Channel 261C2, San Angel, Texas. The coordinates for Channel 258C1 at Eldorado are 30-47-49 North Latitude and 100-37-29 West Longitude. Although Mexican concurrence has been requested for Channel 258C1 at Eldorado, notification has not been received. If a construction permit is granted prior to the receipt of formal concurrence in the allotment by the Mexican government, the construction permit will include the following condition: "Operation with the facilities specified for Eldorado herein is subject to modification, suspension or, termination without right to hearing, if found by the Commission to be necessary in order to conform to the 1992 USA-Mexico FM Broadcast Agreement."

The Commission, at the request of Don Davis, allots Channel 270A at Milan, New Mexico, as the community's

second local FM transmission service. See 67 FR 11970, March 18, 2002. Channel 270A can be allotted at Milan in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements a city reference coordinates. The coordinates for Channel 270A at Milan are 35-10-11 North Latitude and 107-53-24 West Longitude.

The Commission, at the request of Northern Paul Bunyan Radio Company, allots Channel 289A at Alpena, Michigan as the community's third local FM transmission service. See 67 FR 11970, March 18, 2002. Channel 289A can be allotted to Alpena in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 6.4 kilometers (4.0 miles) northeast to avoid short-spacings to the licensed site of Station WKHQ-FM, Channel 290C1, Charlevoix, Michigan, and to the proposed site for Channel 292C2 at Rogers City, Michigan. The coordinates for Channel 289A at Alpena are 45-05-30 North Latitude and 83-21-48 West Longitude. Although Canadian concurrence has been requested for Channel 289A at Alpena, notification has not been received. If a construction permit is granted prior to the receipt of formal concurrence in the allotment by the Canadian government, the construction permit will include the following condition: "Operation with the facilities specified for Alpena herein is subject to modification, suspension or, termination without right to hearing, if found by the Commission to be necessary in order to conform to the USA-Canadian FM Broadcast Agreement."

The Commission, at the request of Linda Crawford, allots Channel 284A at Channing, Texas, as the community's first local aural transmission service. See 67 FR 47502, July 19, 2002. Channel 284A can be allotted to Channing in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 38.0 kilometers (23.6 miles) northwest