

(d) No fixed posting period. There are no minimum or maximum time limits on displaying the notice described in § 110.101(a). Each office receiving a notice for posting should choose the posting period which provides the best opportunity to inform managers and employees of regulatory changes based upon office layout, geographic dispersion of employees, and other local factors.

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL  
MANAGEMENT**

**5 CFR Part 575**

**RIN 3206-AK01**

**Extended Assignment Incentives**

**AGENCY:** Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Personnel Management is issuing final regulations on extended assignment incentives, which provide additional flexibility to assist agencies in retaining experienced, well-trained employees in a United States territory, possession, or commonwealth for longer than the employee's initial tour of duty.

**DATES:** The final regulations are effective on June 16, 2004.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On September 12, 2003, the Office of Personnel Management published interim regulations (68 FR 53667) to implement a statutory amendment that authorized the payment of extended assignment incentives. Section 207 of the 21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act (Pub. L. 107-273, November 2, 2002), added a new section 5757 to chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code, to permit the head of an executive agency to pay an extended assignment incentive to certain Federal employees assigned to positions located in a territory or possession of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. The 60-day comment period for the interim regulations ended on November 12, 2003. We received no comments from either agencies or individuals. Therefore, we are adopting the interim regulations as final, with

one minor correction of a regulation citation at § 575.513(a).

**Regulatory Flexibility Act**

I certify that these regulations will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities because they will affect only Federal agencies and employees.

**E.O. 12866, Regulatory Review**

This rule has been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget in accordance with Executive Order 12866.

**List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 575**

Government employees, Wages.

Office of Personnel Management.

**Kay Coles James,**

*Director.*

Accordingly, the interim rule amending part 575 of title 5 of the Code of Federal Regulations, which was published at 68 FR 53667 on September 12, 2003, is adopted as final with the following changes:

**PART 575—RECRUITMENT AND RELOCATION BONUSES, RETENTION ALLOWANCES, SUPERVISORY DIFFERENTIALS, AND EXTENDED ASSIGNMENT INCENTIVES**

■ 1. The authority citation for part 575 is revised to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 1104(a)(2), 5753, 5754, 5755, and 5757; Pub. L. 107-273, 116 stat. 1780; secs. 302 and 404 of the Federal Employees Pay Comparability Act of 1990 (FEPCA), Pub. L. 101-509, 104 Stat. 1462 and 1466, respectively; E.O. 12748, 3 CFR, 1992 Comp., p. 316.

■ 2. The heading for Part 575 is revised to read as above.

■ 3. In § 575.513, paragraph (a) is revised to read as follows:

**§ 575.513 What are the agency's and the employee's obligations when an employee fails to fulfill the terms of a service agreement?**

(a) This section does not apply when an employee is involuntarily separated or involuntarily reassigned to a position outside the particular territory, possession, or commonwealth involved, as provided in § 575.511 or when an agency unilaterally terminates a service agreement under § 575.512.

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**10 CFR Part 50**

**RIN 3150-AG48**

**Voluntary Fire Protection Requirements for Light Water Reactors; Adoption of NFPA 805 as a Risk-Informed, Performance-Based Alternative**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is amending its fire protection requirements for nuclear power reactor licensees to permit existing reactor licensees to voluntarily adopt fire protection requirements contained in the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 805, "Performance-Based Standard for Fire Protection for Light Water Reactor Electric Generating Plants, 2001 Edition" (NFPA 805). These fire protection requirements are an alternative to the existing deterministic, prescriptive fire protection requirements.

**DATES:** *Effective:* July 16, 2004. The incorporation by reference of the publication listed in the regulation is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of July 16, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** The final rule and related documents may be examined and copied for a fee at the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), One White Flint North, Room O1-F15, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland (NFPA standards are copyrighted). Copies of NFPA 805 may be purchased from the NFPA Customer Service Department, 1 Batterymarch Park, P.O. Box 9101, Quincy, MA 02269-9101 and in PDF format through the NFPA Online Catalog (*www.nfpa.org*) or by calling 1-800-344-3555 or (617) 770-3000.

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