

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

**Notice of Lodging of Proposed Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act**

On March 19, 2026, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed consent decree with the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina, in the lawsuit entitled *United States of America v. ABB, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 0:26-cv-1144.

The United States' complaint seeks recovery of its costs incurred in responding to the release or threat of release of hazardous substances at the Henry's Knob Superfund Site in York County, South Carolina, as well as injunctive relief. Under the consent decree, ABB, Inc. will pay all of the United States' unreimbursed past response costs, totaling \$471,405.16, as well as the United States' future response costs. ABB, Inc. will also perform the interim remedial action that EPA selected for the site. In return, the United States agrees not to sue ABB, Inc. under sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States v. ABB, Inc.*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-11-3-12317. 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:

<i>To submit comments:</i>	<i>Send them to:</i>
By email .....	<i>pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov.</i>
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 by the United States in whole or in part on the public court docket without notice to the commenter.

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

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**ACTION:** Notice.

Each year, the Department of Defense issues a Schedule of Remuneration used by states for UCX purposes. States use the schedule to determine Federal military wages for UCX "first claims" only when the Federal Claims Control Center (FCCC) responds to a request for information indicating that there is no Department of Labor copy of the Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, commonly known DD Form 214 (DD214) for an individual under the social security number provided. A response from the FCCC that indicates "no DD214 on file" will prompt the state to start the affidavit process and to use the attached schedule to calculate the Federal military wages for an unemployment insurance or UCX monetary determination.

The schedule applies to UCX "first claims" filed beginning with the first day of the first week that begins on or after January 1, 2026, pursuant to the UCX program regulations (see 20 CFR 614.12(c)). States must continue to use the 2025 schedule (or other appropriate schedule) for UCX "first claims" filed before the effective date of the revised schedule. Below is the 2026 Federal Schedule of Remuneration recently released by the Department of Defense.

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

**Revised Schedule of Remuneration for the Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicemembers (UCX) Program That Reflects the Military Pay Increase Effective**

January 1, 2026.

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor.

**2026 FEDERAL SCHEDULE OF REMUNERATION**

[20 CFR 614.12(d)]

Pay grade	Monthly rate	Weekly (7/30th)	Daily (1/30th)
<b>1. Commissioned Officers:</b>			
O-10 .....	24,711.56	5,766.03	823.72
O-9 .....	24,711.56	5,766.03	823.72
O-8 .....	24,711.56	5,766.03	823.72
O-7 .....	22,733.46	5,304.47	757.78
O-6 .....	19,831.53	4,627.36	661.05
O-5 .....	16,753.62	3,909.18	558.45
O-4 .....	14,373.12	3,353.73	479.10
O-3 .....	11,368.79	2,652.72	378.96
O-2 .....	9,224.27	2,152.33	307.48
O-1 .....	7,130.62	1,663.81	237.69
<b>2. Commissioned Officers With Over 4 Years Active Duty As An Enlisted Member or Warrant Officer:</b>			
O-3 E .....	13,301.20	3,103.61	443.37
O-2 E .....	11,023.26	2,572.09	367.44
O-1 E .....	9,605.77	2,241.35	320.19
<b>3. Warrant Officer:</b>			

2026 FEDERAL SCHEDULE OF REMUNERATION—Continued  
[20 CFR 614.12(d)]

Pay grade	Monthly rate	Weekly (7/30th)	Daily (1/30th)
W-5 .....	15,581.57	3,635.70	519.39
W-4 .....	14,030.91	3,273.88	467.70
W-3 .....	12,005.99	2,801.40	400.20
W-2 .....	10,298.33	2,402.94	343.28
W-1 .....	8,708.22	2,031.92	290.27
<b>4. Enlisted Personnel:</b>			
E-9 .....	13,140.81	3,066.19	438.03
E-8 .....	10,809.61	2,522.24	360.32
E-7 .....	9,648.02	2,251.21	321.60
E-6 .....	8,473.63	1,977.18	282.45
E-5 .....	7,428.96	1,733.42	247.63
E-4 .....	6,382.78	1,489.32	212.76
E-3 .....	5,771.62	1,346.71	192.39
E-2 .....	5,479.80	1,278.62	182.66
E-1 .....	5,146.43	1,200.83	171.55

The Federal Schedule includes columns reflecting derived weekly and daily rates. This revised Federal Schedule of Remuneration is effective for UCX “first claims” filed beginning with the first day of the first week which begins on or after January 1, 2026, pursuant to 20 CFR 614.12(c).

**Henry Maklakiewicz,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

**Agency Information Collection Activities for Application for Prevailing Wage Determination; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor’s (DOL) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments concerning a proposed extension to the information collection request (ICR) titled “Application for Prevailing Wage Determination,” and related information collection and retention requirements (OMB Control Number 1205-0508), which covers Forms ETA-9141, *Application for Prevailing Wage Determination*; Form ETA-9141, *General Instructions*; Form ETA-9141, Appendix A, *Request for Additional Worksite(s)*; Form ETA 9165, *Employer-Provided Survey Attestations to Accompany H-2B Prevailing Wage Determination Request Based on a Non-*

*OEWS Survey*; and Form ETA-9165, *General Instructions*. This action seeks to extend the forms without changes. This comment request is part of continuing Departmental efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA).

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all written comments received by May 26, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** To submit written comments and/or request a copy of this ICR (e.g., forms; instructions; supporting documents, etc.), for free, please send an email to Brian Pasternak, Administrator, Office of Foreign Labor Certification (OFLC), at *ETA.OFLC.Forms@dol.gov*. To ensure proper consideration, include the OMB control number 1205-0508.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brian Pasternak, Administrator, Office of Foreign Labor Certification by email at *ETA.OFLC.Forms@dol.gov*.

*Authority:* 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DOL, in its continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information before submitting them to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for final approval. This program ensures the public provides all necessary data in the desired format, the reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements can be properly assessed.

This information collection is required by the Immigration and

Nationality Act (INA), which, assigns the responsibilities to the Secretary of Labor (Secretary) relating to the entry and employment of certain categories of immigrant and nonimmigrant foreign workers under the PERM, H-2B, H-1B, H-1B1, and E-3 programs. The INA prohibits the admission of certain employment-based immigrants unless the Secretary has certified that (1) there are not sufficient workers who are able, willing, qualified and available at the time of application for a visa and admission to the United States and at the place where the foreign worker is to perform such skilled or unskilled labor, and (2) the employment of such foreign worker will not adversely affect the wages and working conditions of workers in the United States similarly employed. *See* 8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(5)(A)(i)(II); 8 CFR 204.5(k)(4)(i), 214.2(h)(4)(i)(B)(1), (h)(6)(iii)(A), and (h)(6)(iv)(A). Similarly, the INA prohibits the employment of foreign workers under the H-1B, H-1B1, and E-3 Labor Condition Application (LCA) programs unless the Secretary has approved an LCA in which the employer attests to pay the foreign worker at least the prevailing wage level for the occupational classification in the area of employment or the actual wage level paid by the employer to workers with similar experience and qualifications for the specific employment in question, whichever is greater. *See* 8 U.S.C. 1182(n)(1)(A)(i)(I)-(II) and (t)(1)(A)(i)(I)-(II).

Prior to filing a PERM or H-2B labor certification application, the employer must apply for prevailing wage determination (PWD) from OFLC. Employers seeking to employ foreign workers under the H-1B, H-1B1, and E-3 programs are not required to obtain a