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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

7 CFR Part 1

RIN 0560-AF55

Fee Schedule; Aerial Photographic Reproductions

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA. **ACTION:** Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of Agriculture proposes to revise the fees charged for some aerial photographic reproductions in order to reflect changes in the costs for some reproductions and to discontinue some reproductions due to low demand. However, these revisions do not affect accessibility under the Freedom of Information Act.

DATES: Comments must be submitted by November 6, 1998 to assure consideration.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to Linda McDonald, United States Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency, Aerial Photography Field Office, 2222 West 2300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119–2020. All comments received will be available for public inspection at the above address during regular business hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Linda McDonald, United States Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency, Aerial Photography Field Office, 2222 West 2300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119–2020; telephone (801) 975–3500, Ext. 235.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Executive Order 12866

This proposed rule is an administrative action not subject to Executive Order 12866 and, therefore, has not been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

USDA certifies that this proposed rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small

entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*).

Executive Order 12988

The proposed rule has been reviewed in accordance with Executive order 12988, Civil Justice Reform.

The provisions of this rule are not retroactive and preempt State laws to the extent such laws are inconsistent with the provisions of this rule and does not require administrative proceedings before parties may file in court challenging this rule.

Paperwork Reduction Act

The authority of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) FSA Aerial Photography Field Office to coordinate aerial photography and remote sensing programs and for aerial photography is Section 387 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (7 U.S.C. 1387).

Reproductions of photographs are available at cost to any customer. All receipts from the sale of aerial photography reproductions and services are deposited and sent to the U.S. Treasury.

Background

A pricing study of all products and services provided by the Aerial Photography Field Office was conducted. The study determined that due to increased costs of photographic reproduction, it would be necessary to increase fees charged for some reproductions. Fees would be reduced or left unchanged for some reproductions. Some reproductions would be discontinued, due to the small number of reproductions ordered. Accordingly, USDA proposes to revise the fees charged for some reproductions, to discontinue others and to make minor administrative changes regarding Agency names and other clarifications to amend the appendix to part 1, subpart A.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 1

Appeals, Fees, Public Access and Records.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, USDA proposes to amend 7 CFR part 1 subpart A, Appendix A as follows:

PART 1—ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

Subpart A—Official Records

Appendix A to Subpart A—Fee Schedule

1. The authority citation for subpart A is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301, 552; 7 U.S.C. 312a; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 7 U.S.C. 1387; and 7 CFR 2.28 (b)(7)(viii).

2. Section 12 of Appendix A to subpart A is revised to read as follows:

Appendix A to Subpart A—Fee Schedule

Section 12. Agencies Which Furnish Photographic Reproductions

(a) Aerial photographic reproductions. The following agency of the Department furnishes aerial photographic reproductions:

Farm Service Agency (FSA), Aerial Photography Field Office (APFO), USDA, 2222 West 2300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119–2020.

(b) Other photographic reproductions. Other types of reproductions may be obtained from the following agency of the Department:

National Agricultural Library, Agricultural Research Service, USDA, Office of the Deputy Director, Technical Information Systems, Room 200, NAL Building, Beltsville, MD 20705.

3. Section 17 paragraph (b) is removed and paragraphs (c), (d) and (e) are revised to read as follows:

Section 17. Reproduction Prices

(c) General aerial photographic reproductions.

The prices for various types of aerial photographic reproductions are set forth in this paragraph. Size measurements refer to the approximate size in inches of the paper required to produce the reproduction.

BLACK AND WHITE REPRODUCTIONS

Size	Price
10x10 Paper	\$5.00
10x10 Film Positive	10.00
10x10 Film Positive AT	10.00
10x10 Film Positive Scan	15.00
10x10 Film Duplicate Negative	3.00
10x10 Film Internegative	4.50
12x12 Paper	12.00
17x17 Paper	13.00

BLACK AND WHITE REPRODUCTIONS—Continued

Size	Price
17x17 Film Positive	25.00
24x24 Paper	16.00
24x24 Film Positive	40.00
38x38 Paper	50.00
20x24 Paper Photo Index	20.00
Paper Line Index	15.00
Mylar Line Index	35.00
Microfilm (Photo Indexes): Aperture Cards	10.00
Microfilm (Photo Indexes): Microfiche	10.00

COLOR NEGATIVE REPRODUCTIONS

Size	Price
10×10 Paper Quantities:	
1–50	\$ 7.00
51–1000	5.00
1001 & Over	2.50
10×10 Film Positive	33.00
20×20 Paper	40.00
24×24 Paper	55.00
38×38 Paper	70.00

COLOR INFRARED POSITIVE REPRODUCTIONS

Size	Price
10×10 Paper	\$12.00
10×10 Film Positive	15.00
10×10 Film Positive AT	15.00
10×10 Film Positive Scan	20.00
20×20 Paper	32.00
24×24 Paper	40.00
38×38 Paper	70.00

For special needs not covered in paragraph (c) of this section, persons desiring aerial photographic reproductions should contact the agency listed in section 12(a) or the Departmental Aerial Photography Coordinator, Aerial Photography Field Office, USDA–FSA, 2222 West 2300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119–2020.

For reproductions of audio-videotapes, requesters must supply their own recording tape, and will be assessed a fee of \$25 an hour for copying work requested. There is a 1-hour minimum charge. Payment is required at the time video or audiotapes are accepted by the requester.

Signed at Washington, D.C., on September 29, 1998.

Dan Glickman,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

18 CFR Parts 4, 153, 157 and 375

[Docket No. RM98-16-000]

Collaborative Procedures for Energy Facility Applications; Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

September 30, 1998.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory

Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is proposing to expand its procedural regulations governing the authorization of natural gas facilities and services, and is considering revising its procedural regulations governing applications for licenses for hydroelectric projects. The proposed regulations are intended to offer prospective applicants seeking to construct, operate or abandon natural gas facilities or services the option, in appropriate circumstances and prior to filing an application, of using a collaborative process to resolve significant issues. In addition, a significant portion of the environmental review process could be completed as part of the pre-filing collaborative process. This pre-filing collaborative process is comparable to the process the Commission recently adopted with respect to applications for hydroelectric licenses, amendments and exemptions and, like those regulations, is optional and is designed to be adaptable to the facts and circumstances of the particular case. The proposed regulations would not delete or replace any existing regulations. Finally, the Commission is inviting comment on whether the existing collaborative process for hydroelectric license and exemption applications, as well as the proposed collaborative process for natural gas facilities and services, should be made mandatory.

DATES: Comments on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking are due December 7, 1998 and January 5, 1999 for reply comments. Comments should be filed with the Office of the Secretary and should refer to Docket No. RM98–16– 000.

ADDRESSES: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard Hoffmann, Office of Pipeline Regulation, 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426, (202) 208– 0066 Lon Crow, Office of Hydropower Licensing, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, (202) 219– 2651

Gordon Wagner, Office of the General Counsel, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 219– 0122

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