

Reporting Pursuant to Section 4. 31 U.S.C. 3512(d)(2)(B) (commonly referred to as Section 4 of the Integrity Act) requires an annual statement on whether the agency's financial management systems conform with government-wide requirements. These financial systems requirements are presented in OMB Circular No. A-127, "Financial Management Systems," section 7. If the agency does not conform with financial systems requirements, the statement must discuss the agency's plans for bringing its systems into compliance.

If the agency head judges a deficiency in financial management systems and/or operations to be material when weighed against other agency deficiencies, the issue must be included in the annual Integrity Act report in the same manner as other material weaknesses.

Distribution of Integrity Act Report. The assurance statements and information related to both Sections 2 and 4 should be provided in a single Integrity Act report. Copies of the report are to be transmitted to the President; the President of the Senate; the Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Director of OMB; and the Chairpersons and Ranking Members of the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, the House Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, and the relevant authorizing and appropriations committees and subcommittees. In addition, 10 copies of the report are to be provided to OMB's Office of Federal Financial Management, Management Integrity Branch. Agencies are also encouraged to make their reports available electronically.

Streamlined Reporting. The Government Management Reform Act (GMRA) of 1994 (P.L. 103-356) permits OMB for fiscal years 1995 through 1997 to consolidate or adjust the frequency and due dates of certain statutory financial management reports after consultation with the Congress. GMRA prompted the CFO Council to recommend to OMB a new approach towards financial management reporting which could help integrate management initiatives. This proposal is being pilot-tested by several agencies for FY 1995. Further information on the implications of this initiative for other agencies will be issued by OMB after the pilot reports have been evaluated. In the meantime, the reporting requirements outlined in this Circular remain valid except for those agencies identified as pilots by OMB.

Under the CFO Council approach, agencies would consolidate Integrity Act information with other performance-related reporting into a broader "Accountability Report" to be issued annually by the agency head. This report would be issued as soon as possible after the end of the fiscal year, but no later than March 31 for agencies producing audited financial statements and December 31 for all other agencies. The proposed "Accountability Report" would integrate the following information: the Integrity Act report, management's Report on Final Action as required by the IG Act, the CFOs Act Annual Report (including audited financial statements), Civil Monetary Penalty and Prompt Payment Act reports, and available information on agency performance

compared to its stated goals and objectives, in preparation for implementation of the GPRA.

Government Corporations. Section 306 of the Chief Financial Officers Act established a reporting requirement related to management controls for corporations covered by the Government Corporation and Control Act. 31 U.S.C. 9106. These corporations must submit an annual management report to the Congress not later than 180 days after the end of the corporation's fiscal year.

This report must include, among other items, a statement on control systems by the head of the management of the corporation consistent with the requirements of the Integrity Act.

The corporation is required to provide the President, the Director of OMB, and the Comptroller General a copy of the management report when it is submitted to Congress.

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POSTAL SERVICE

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Postal Service.

ACTION: Notice of revisions to an existing system of records.

SUMMARY: This document publishes notice of modifications to Privacy Act system of records USPS 070.040, Inquiries and Complaints—Customer Complaint Records. The modifications expand the system locations and purpose statements, make editorial revisions that change the name of the system, clarify the system as a result of the expansions, and correct organization name changes as a result of the restructuring of the Postal Service. The system locations and purpose statements are expanded to note the system's coverage of complaint and inquiry records from individuals, including employees, that indicate potential threats, a potentially volatile workplace climate, and/or significant personal concerns of employees or customers.

DATES: This proposal will become effective without further notice August 8, 1995, unless comments are received on or before that date that result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on this proposal should be mailed or delivered to Payroll Accounting/Records, United States Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Room 8650, Washington, DC 20260-5242. Copies of all written comments will be available for public inspection and photocopying between 8

a.m. and 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Betty E. Sheriff, (202) 268-2608.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: System of records USPS 070.040 contains records relating to inquiries and complaints from postal customers and employees. Its current description is inaccurate in that it suggests that records in the system are limited to customer inquiries and complaints regarding mail service. In fact, the system has come to include inquiries and complaints of employees as well. This notice expands the purpose statement because some employee inquiries covered by the system pertain to issues other than mail service. These inquiries and complaints frequently relate to an employee's postal employment.

Occasionally a customer or employee complaint may indicate a potential for violence, a potentially volatile workplace climate, and/or significant personal concerns of employees or customers that should receive remedial attention. Because such inquiries and complaints may be referred to the Postal Service's Human Resources office or to its contractor for analysis and proactive attention, the Vice President of Human Resources has been added as a System Manager. Where the threat of violence is particularly strong, the correspondence may be referred to the Postal Inspection Service for investigative action. In those instances, related records may also become part of the Privacy Act system USPS 080.010, Inspection Requirements—Investigative File System. Other system changes clarify existing language, particularly with relation to the above-noted changes, and correct organization names that were changed as a result of a recent restructuring of the Postal Service.

All records within the system are kept in a secured environment, with automated data processing (ADP) physical and administrative security and technical software applied to information on computer media. Contractors who maintain information collected by this system are subject to subsection (m) of the Privacy Act and are required to apply appropriate protections subject to the audit and inspection of the Postal Inspection Service. Further, the only routine uses applied are those that the Postal Service has established and applied to most of its systems of records representing potential uses of information in the conduct of official business. These appear in the Postal Service's last compilation of its records systems,