

Traffic Manager for Department of Defense (DOD) Personal Property Program, is informing the Transportation Service Provider (TSP)/contractor community of the mandatory requirement to provide Full Replacement Value (FRV) coverage to all customers of the DOD Personal Property Program. The cost of FRV shall be included in contracts with movers and FRV shall be made available to Service members and civilian employees.

All shipments that have been picked up or are already in storage prior to the effective dates noted below will not be required to be covered by FRV. This notice updates the implementation timeline for providing FRV for loss/damage protection.

**Current Program Implementation:** The cost for FRV coverage shall be included in all rates for the International Household Goods (iHHG) program, the Unaccompanied Baggage (UB) program, the Domestic Household Goods (dHHG) program, Intra-Theater Tender (ITT) program, Non-Temporary Storage (NTS) program, and the Direct Procurement Method (DPM) program according to the following schedule:

The international household goods (iHHG) program and unaccompanied baggage (UB), shall have FRV coverage for all shipments picked up on or after October 1, 2007.

For the domestic household goods (dHHG) program, all shipments picked up on or after November 1, 2007, shall have FRV coverage.

For the Intra-Theater Tender (ITT) program all rates effective on or after March 1, 2008 shall include FRV coverage. The current rate cycle will expire February 29, 2008, with the next rate cycle beginning on March 1, 2008 and shall be inclusive of FRV coverage.

For the Non-Temporary Storage (NTS) program, shipments ordered with a date on or after March 1, 2008 shall include FRV coverage. New rates that include the cost of providing FRV must be postmarked between December 16, 2007 and January 15, 2008.

All DPM contracts will be modified to require the provision of FRV by March 1, 2008. (See Traffic Management Advisory released by USTRANSCOM, September 13, 2007).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** FRV coverage shall be provided at the following limits: If a claim is filed directly with the TSP/contractor within nine (9) months of delivery, then the TSP's/contractor's maximum liability on each HHG and UB shipment will be the greater of: (1) \$5,000 per shipment; or (2) \$4 times either the net weight of the

HHG or \$4 times the gross weight of the UB, in pounds, not to exceed \$50,000. Certificate of Cargo Liability Insurance/Certificate of Warehousemen's Liability Insurance must also reflect the new FRV limits. The TSP/contractor must report settled claims information to SDDC within seven calendar days of claims settled.

Implementing guidelines and procedures covering liability for loss/damage along with the claims process can be found on SDDC's Web site: <http://www.sddc.army.mil>, *Full Replacement Value*).

**Background:** Chapter 157, Title 10 U.S. Code § 2636a, also known as The Full Replacement Value Act of 2003, was passed on November 26, 2003. This law amended (in part) Chapter 157 of Title 10 by inserting after section 2636 a new section § 2636a entitled, "Loss or damage to personal property transported at Government expense: Full replacement value; deduction from amounts due TSPs." This law allows the Secretary of Defense to include a clause for full replacement value in contracts with TSPs. It also allows a deduction of the FRV from the amount due to a carrier if the carrier fails to settle.

The FRV Act allowed for immediate inclusion of FRV into the Personal Property Program, but SDDC decided to delay FRV to coincide with the roll-out of the reengineered future Personal Property Program known as Families First. Current uncertainty surrounding the actual roll-out date of Families First and the Defense Personal Property System (DPS) has caused Congress and SDDC to decide to implement FRV into the current Personal Property Program.

In June 2006 the Senate Arms Services Committee published the following recommendation:

"Subtitle C—Travel and Transportation Allowances.

"Expansion of payment of replacement value of personal property damaged during transport at Government expense (sec. 631).

"The committee recommends a provision that would amend Section 2636a of Title 10, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Defense, no later than March 1, 2008, to include in contracts for the transportation of baggage and household effects for military members and civilian employees a clause requiring the carrier to pay the full replacement value for loss or damage. The provision would also require certain certifications by the Secretary about, and a review and assessment by the General Accountability Office on December 1, 2006, and June 1, 2007, of the 'Families First' program.

"The committee believes that the time is past due for implementing the contractual authority requested by the Department in 2003 and included in section 634 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2004 (Pub. L. 108–136). Military personnel and their families have waited long enough for realization of the Families First promise of full replacement value for household goods lost and damaged by movers in connection with permanent changes of station.

"The committee has concluded that implementation of the full replacement standard for both military members and civilian employees by means of contractual changes with TSPs must precede implementation of the Defense Personal Property System (DPS) under the Families First program."

#### **Regulation Flexibility Act**

This action is not considered rule making within the meaning of Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601–612.

#### **Paperwork Reduction Act**

The Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3051 et seq., does not apply because no information collection or record keeping requirements are imposed on contractors, offerors or members of the public.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### **Request for Information (DE–PS36–08GO38002) and Notice of Pre-Solicitation Workshop for a Planned Fuel Cell Funding Opportunity Announcement (DE–PS36–08GO98009)**

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice of Pre-Solicitation Workshop for Financial Assistance Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) and Request for Information (RFI).

**SUMMARY:** In preparation for a planned Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), DOE's Office of Hydrogen, Fuel Cells and Infrastructure Technologies (HFCIT) is requesting information regarding potential topic areas for research, development, and demonstration that will improve fuel cell technology. This information is requested through an RFI (DE–PS36–

08GO38002) and can be found at <http://e-center.doe.gov>. Comments in response to the RFI should be e-mailed to [H2fuelcells@go.doe.gov](mailto:H2fuelcells@go.doe.gov) by no later than 11:59 p.m. EDT on December 21, 2007.

In addition, DOE will lead a Pre-Solicitation Workshop planned for January 23–24, 2008, in Golden, CO. Interested parties are asked to RSVP for the Pre-Solicitation Workshop in Golden, CO, in advance if possible (last minute attendance is still welcome). Please RSVP to [H2fuelcells@go.doe.gov](mailto:H2fuelcells@go.doe.gov) by December 21, 2007. Information regarding the workshop details and logistics will be updated on the DOE HFCIT Program Web site, <http://www.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells>.

**DATES:** Written comments are sought through the RFI. These must be submitted via e-mail at the address noted above and must be received no later than 11:59 PM EDT on December 21, 2007. The Pre-Solicitation Workshop is to be held January 23–24, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** The Pre-Solicitation Workshop is planned to be held in Building 7 in the Denver West Office Park at 1626 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401. Check the DOE HFCIT Program Web site noted above for updates.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Peterson, Project Officer, via e-mail at [H2fuelcells@go.doe.gov](mailto:H2fuelcells@go.doe.gov). Further information on DOE's HFCIT Program can be found at <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Proceedings from the Pre-Solicitation Workshop will be posted at <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells>. DOE intends to release a planned FOA in the future, with awards to be announced in FY2009, subject to Congressional appropriations.

Issued in Golden, CO, on November 20, 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Senior Executive Service; Performance Review Board

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** SES Performance Review Board Standing Register.

**SUMMARY:** This notice provides the Performance Review Board Standing Register for the Department of Energy. This listing supersedes all previously published lists of PRB members.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** These appointments are effective as of September 30, 2007.

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