July 6, 2001

Dear Freight Carrier:

GSA's Freight Program Management Office (FPMO) has posted the new Request for Offers (RFO) for the National Industries for the Blind (NIB) and National Industries for the Severely Handicapped (NISH) Work Centers to our website. The new rates will be effective November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002. You may download the RFO from our website at www.r6.gsa.gov/fsstt. Look under our "What's New" header to find the RFO which has a posted date of July 3, 2001. Please be aware that the open window for these electronic rate offers is July 3, 2001 through August 6, 2001. This RFO will only cover traffic for NIB/NISH, with no filing extension.

If you are a current subscriber to the ITMS CD-ROM and intend to use its capabilities for creation and submission of your rate offers for the identified traffic, you will need to contact our office to request an updated version of the ITMS CD. Your current ITMS CD does not incorporate the changes in programming required for this filing. If you do not intend to utilize the capabilities of ITMS to create and submit your rate offers, you will NOT need to obtain a new version of ITMS as nothing else has been changed from your current version except for the programming changes that affect the CD-method of filing rate offers.

To obtain an updated version of the ITMS CD, or if you need additional assistance, please contact Carey DeForest at (816) 823-3646 or by email at carey.deforest@gsa.gov.

Sincerely,

Ed Hodges, Director GSA Property & Traffic Management Division (6FBD)