which he or she met the service requirement, even though the time limit for such conversion has expired.

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## §315.705 Employees serving under transitional or veterans readjustment appointments.

- (a) Agency action. (1) An agency shall convert the employment of an employee who has served continuously under a transitional appointment for at least 1 year to career or career-conditional employment within 90 calendar days after he completes the program of education or training approved for him.
- (2) Within 30 calendar days after an employee completes (i) 2 years of substantially continuous service under a veterans readjustment appointment or under a combination of transitional and veterans readjustment appointments and (ii) his training or educational programs, the employing agency shall convert his appointment to career or career-conditional employment.
- (b) *Tenure*. Upon conversion of his employment, the employee becomes:
- (1) A career-conditional employee, except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section:
- (2) A career employee if he has completed the service requirement for career tenure or is excepted from it by §315.201(c).
- (c) Acquisition of competitive status. An employee whose employment is converted to career or career-conditional employment under this section, acquires a competitive status automatically on conversion.

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## §315.706 Certain nonpermanent employees of the Department of Energy.

(a) General. Employees transferred to the Department of Energy under Public Law 95-91, who are serving in nonpermanent appointments made under competitive procedures of the former Atomic Energy Commission or Energy Research and Development Administration and are determined by the De-

partment to be performing continuing functions, may be converted to career or career-conditional by OPM upon recommendation by the Department.

- (b) Tenure upon conversion. Employees converted under this section become career-conditional employees unless they have completed the service requirement for career tenure.
- (c) Acquisition of competitive status. A person whose employment is converted to career or career-conditional employment under this section acquires competitive status automatically.

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## §315.707 Disabled veterans.

- (a) Eligibility. (1) Subject to requirements concerning qualifications and probationary period published by the Office, an agency may convert the employment of a disabled veteran who meets the conditions below to career or career-conditional employment from a time-limited appointment of more than 60 days.
- (2) To be eligible for conversion under this paragraph, the veteran must:
- (i) Have been retired from active military service with a disability rating of 30 percent or more;
- (ii) Have been rated by the Veterans Administration within the preceding year as having a compensable serviceconnected disability of 30 percent or more; or
- (iii) Have had such a rating by the Veterans Administration at the time of a qualifying temporary appointment effected within the year immediately preceding the conversion.
- (b) Tenure on conversion. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, a person converted under paragraph (a) of this section becomes a career-conditional employee.
- (2) A person appointed under paragraph (a) of this section becomes a career employee if excepted from the service requirement for career tenure by §315.201(c).
- (c) Acquisition of competitive status. A person converted under paragraph (a) of this section acquires a competitive