

Essex, Fairfax, Henrico, King and Queen, King George, New Kent and the Independent Cities of Colonial Heights and Petersburg in the Commonwealth of Virginia; the District of Columbia; Prince George's, Somerset and Worcester counties in the State of Maryland; and Camden, Currituck, Gates, Hertford and Northampton counties in the State of North Carolina.

The interest rates are:

	Percent
For Physical Damage:	
Homeowners with credit available elsewhere .....	5.125
Homeowners without credit available elsewhere .....	2.562
Businesses with credit available elsewhere .....	6.199
Businesses and non-profit organizations without credit available elsewhere .....	3.100
Others (including non-profit organizations) with credit available elsewhere .....	5.500
For Economic Injury:	
Businesses and small agricultural cooperatives without credit available elsewhere .....	3.100

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 354608. For economic injury the number is 9X0100 for Virginia; 9X0200 for District of Columbia; 9X0300 for Maryland; and 9X0400 for North Carolina.

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Dated: September 22, 2003.

**Cheri L. Cannon,**

*Acting Associate Administrator for Disaster Assistance.*

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## SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### Small Business Size Standards; Waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule

**AGENCY:** Small Business Administration.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to grant the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Ammunition (Except Small Arms).

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is considering granting a waiver of the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Ammunition (Except Small Arms). The basis for waivers is that no small business manufacturers are supplying these classes of products to the Federal government. The effect of a waiver would be to allow otherwise qualified regular dealers to supply the products of any domestic manufacturer on a Federal contract set aside for small businesses or

awarded through the SBA 8(a) Program. The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments and potential source information from interested parties.

**DATES:** Comments and sources must be submitted on or before October 10, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Edith Butler, Program Analyst, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Washington DC, 20416, Tel: (202) 619-0422.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Edith Butler, Program Analyst, (202) 619-0422, Fax (202) 205-7280.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pub. L. 100-656, enacted on November 15, 1988, incorporated into the Small Business Act the previously existing regulation that recipients of Federal contracts set aside for small businesses or SBA 8(a) Program procurement must provide the product of a small business manufacturer or processor, if the recipient is other than the actual manufacturer or processor. This requirement is commonly referred to as the Nonmanufacturer Rule. The SBA regulations imposing this requirement are found at 13 CFR 121.406 (b). Section 303(h) of the law provides for waiver of this requirement by SBA for any "class of products" for which there are no small business manufacturers or processors in the Federal market.

To be considered available to participate in the Federal market on these classes of products, a small business manufacturer must have submitted a proposal for a contract solicitation or received a contract from the Federal government within the last 24 months. The SBA defines "class of products" based on six digit North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) and the four digit Product and Service Code established by the Federal Procurement Data System.

The U.S. Small Business Administration is currently processing a request to waive the Nonmanufacturer Rule for Ammunition (Except Small Arms), North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) 332993. The public is invited to comment or provide source information to SBA on the proposed waiver of the nonmanufacturer rule for this NAICS code.

**Luz Hopewell,**

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## SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

### Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority

This statement amends Part S of the Statement of the Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority which covers the Social Security Administration (SSA). The Office of the General Counsel is abolishing the Office of Program Litigation and incorporating the functions of the office into the Office of Program Law. The new material and changes are as follows:

Section S9.10 *The Office of the General Counsel* —(Organization):

Delete E. The Office of Program Litigation (S9C) in its entirety.

Reletter F. The Office of Program Law (S9E) to E.<sup>1</sup>

Reletter G. The Office of Public Disclosure (S9H) to F.<sup>2</sup>

Reletter H. The Offices of the Regional Chief Counsels (S9G-F1—S9G-FX) to G.<sup>2</sup>

Section S9.20 *The Office of the General Counsel* —(Functions):

Replace in its entirety, D. The Office of General Law (S9B) with the following:

D. The Office of General Law (S9B).

1. Provides legal services to the Commissioner and all components of the Agency on all non-program legal issues affecting the Agency's business management activities and administrative operations including: Procurement; contracting; patents; copyrights; budget; appropriations; personnel; ethics; adverse employment actions; employment discrimination; compensation; travel; personnel; claims by and against SSA (including but not limited to those under the Federal Tort Claims Act); electronic service delivery; labor-management relations; Touhy requests; Office of Special Programs and Services investigations; salary and other overpayments; relationships with other governmental and nongovernmental entities; and administrative governance.

2. Provides legal services and advice regarding SSA's civil defense, civil rights and security programs as well as for SSA's administration of its disclosure regulations and related statutes including the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts and Computer Matching Agreements. Provides liaison with the Department of Justice on administering the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts. Serves as liaison with the Comptroller General.

3. Working under the direction of the Designated Agency Ethics Official (DAEO), manages the daily operation of the Agency's ethics programs, implements decisions of the DAEO, and