

Question 2. In what official or unofficial publication, and at what intervals, does your agency publish :

- (a) Descriptions of its central and field organization (see sec. 3(a) (1) of the Administrative Procedure Act) ;
- (b) Statements of the general course and method by which its functions are channeled and determined (see sec. 3(a) (2) of statute) ;
- (c) Substantive rules adopted as authorized by law (see sec. 3(a) (3) of statute) ;
- (d) Statements of general policy or interpretations formulated and adopted by the agency for the guidance of the public (see sec. 3(a) (3) of statute) ; and
- (e) Rules addressed to and served upon named persons in accordance with law (see sec. 3(a) (3) of statute) ?

Answer 2(a). This information is published annually in the Government organization manual edition of the Federal Register.

Answer 2(b). They are published in the daily issues of the Federal Register and as amendments to the Code of Federal Regulations when issued. (See app. II.)

Answer 2(c). They are published as amendments to the Code of Federal Regulations when issued. Where substantial public interest is expected, printed copies are also made available upon request. (See app. II.)

Answer 2(d). Same as (c).

Answer 2(e). Copies of wage determinations for laborers and mechanics to be employed under particular construction contracts are served upon the agency letting or administering the contract. Such agency includes the determinations in the advertisements for bids. Copies of wage determinations reviewed by the Department of Labor's Wage Appeals Board, the rules of which are published in 29 CFR part 7, are maintained for public inspection and are distributed widely to interested trade associations, employee organizations, governmental agencies, and other interested persons. No other rules of this kind are issued by this Department.

Question 3. Please describe the manner in which your agency publishes, or, in accordance with published rule, makes available to public inspection, all final and interim opinions or orders in the adjudication of cases, pursuant to section 3(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act or other authority.

Answer 3. In accordance with published rule (29 CFR 2.7), they are made available during business hours upon written request. Some orders are also published by private labor law reporting services.

Question 4. In what types of cases does your agency refrain from publishing interim and final opinions or orders where, in the opinion of your agency, good cause requires they be held confidential, pursuant to section 3(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act or other authority?

Answer 4. None.

Question 5. In what circumstances are unpublished opinions and orders cited or used as precedents in other proceedings?

Answer 5. Unpublished opinions are often used for guidance in responding to requests for information and interpretations.

Question 6. What is the procedure for making available to the general public the records and files, interpretations, and legal opinions of your agency?

Answer 6. Interpretations and legal opinions are made available through publication of interpretative bulletins in the Code of Federal Regulations, letters to members of the public and by answers to oral inquiries. Significant interpretations and legal opinions are given wide distribution to various trade associations, employee organizations, governmental agencies, and interested persons. Such opinions and interpretations are also furnished to the various commercial reporting services. Arrangements are made to permit inspection of a copy of a past interpretation or legal opinion upon written request to the Department. A record or file may likewise be inspected unless the Solicitor determines that it should be held confidential. Copies of accounts, letters, records, files, and other documents or papers are furnished only by permission of the Solicitor upon his consideration of an application showing the reason why and the purpose for which the copies are desired. (See 29 CFR 1.15, 2.4, 2.6, 2.7, and 2.9, and 20 CFR 501.8; see app. I.) Reports required to be filed by the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959 and Welfare and Pension Plans Disclosure Act are available for inspection in a public document room maintained by the Office of Labor Management and Welfare-Pension