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Comments on Proposed NSPS Regulations--RIN 3206-AK76/0790-AH82

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General: I believe the proposed NSPS will undermine the Civil Service and hurt the mission of the DoD employees.

Subpart C Pay, Sections 9901.301 to 9901.373: The employees in DoD should continue to receive the same annual pay across-the-board adjustment that other GS/FWS workers receive.

The individual pay increases for performance should include guaranteed percentages in the regulations so that employees will understand the pay system and what their pay increase will be depending on their performance.

Subpart D Performance Management - 9901.401 to 9901.409: In order to insure fairness and accuracy, DoD employees should be able to appeal any performance rating to an independent grievance and arbitration process like they can do now.

Subpart F Workforce Shaping - 9901.6012 to 9901.611: DoD should not change the current layoff/RIF rules which give balanced credit to performance and the employees valuable years of committed service to DoD.

Subpart G Adverse Actions - 9901.701 to 9901.810: Due process and fairness demand that the independent body reviewing a major suspension as termination be allowed to alter the proposed penalty if they deem it to be unreasonable. The current standards approved by the courts to guide such bodies should continue to be used.

Subpart I Labor-Management Relations - 9901.901 to 9901.929: The labor management law that has governed the employees' right to organize and engage in collective bargaining has worked well since 1978. There is no compelling reason to take away most of the collective bargaining rights or grievance rights.

DoD should not create a "company dominated dispute board." Any dispute board must be "jointly selected" by management and the Union.

Sincerely,

Wendell J. Echols



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I believe that the plans that the current administration is out of touch with the American citizens when it comes to addressing the true needs. This new and untested Personnel system being forced on the Department of Defense is unfair and does nothing to encourage employees to go above and beyond. It gives supervisors the ability to limit and exclude good employees from receiving bonuses and step increases. This system is contrary to the mission of Homeland Security and is in violation of its own regulations. I must stand against this proposal and ask that negotiations be opened up and to include comments from AFGES and the front line employees that are really securing our Nation to Keep America Free.

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