

GPO and OMB Announce a New Compact For Government Printing

On June 6, 2003, Public Printer James and then Office of Management and Budget Director Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr. jointly announced an innovative agreement that will free executive branch agencies to choose their own printers while saving taxpayer dollars. The agreement will also empower the GPO to maximize public access to federal information.

Calling the announcement a victory for the American taxpayer, Daniels said, "It builds on a competitive experiment that led GPO to print this year's federal budget at a savings of 23 percent. Federal agencies will now be empowered to select printers that provide the best deal for the taxpayers' dollar. At the same time, this agreement strikes a blow against the long-standing 'fugitive documents' problem, in which roughly half of all Government documents currently do not make it into the federal depository library program."

"We are extraordinarily pleased to join in this agreement with OMB," said James. "It frees federal agencies to competitively choose their own printers and creates a system to provide the American public with better access to more Government information than ever before. The Government is now moving the way private sector has been moving, relying increasingly on electronic information technology to create and disseminate information products. The agreement we've reached with OMB recognizes this trend by using technology to increase public access to information while providing a system for efficiently managing the buying of the Government's declining printing needs, within the framework of current law." To access the joint GPO/OMB press release and a copy of the Compact, go to www.access.gpo.gov/public-affairs/news/03news27.pdf.

GPO Unveils a New Logo for the 21st Century

The U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) has adopted a new logo to symbolize its transformation from an ink-on-paper provider to a digital data delivery organization. The new logo reflects GPO's determination to meet the evolving information needs of its customer agencies and to serve an increasingly digital-aware American public.



"The GPO's new logo dramatically captures our determination to transform this venerable institution into a model facility designed to meet the information demands of Congress, Federal agencies, and the American public in the 21st century," said Public Printer Bruce R. James. "It communicates precisely how we are going to position ourselves in bringing change and leadership to printing and information policy." Individual elements of the new logo are integrated to endow it with qualities that define GPO, address past tradition, and indicate GPO's role in the information future. Typographic elements hint at an historical progression in printing:

The "G" is modified from Times New Roman, a typeface related to Transitional style serif fonts. Created and refined in the 16th and 17th centuries, Transitional typefaces marked a change from type derived from handwritten text to more legible type forms used in a mechanical printing press. The "P" is reversed out of what might be a rectangular block, alluding to woodblock, hot metal, and Linotype technologies. A modern era in

printing and publication is referenced in the sans serif typeface. The "O" is a digitally modified form of an old-style face, ITC Galliard. This is an allusion to an integration of past, present, and future. The distinctive shape of the "O" in this modified form mirrors the curved form of the "G" at left, giving the mark symmetry and balance, drawing from a literal past iteration of the "G." Pixel shapes are incorporated to complete the mark and further suggest digital and electronic processes.

GPO's Typography and Design Division designed the logo to communicate clearly and with an economy of form. It is crafted in a clean, symmetrical form, making it effective in a variety of applications, as a signage graphic, as a stamped mark, as a mark printed with in any substrate, or as a low resolution graphic on the Web. It can be reversed out of any solid background or produced in negative form for any specialized application.

The new logo is an affirmative statement of optimism as GPO consolidates the contributions of the past and forges ahead to a future dedicated to "Keeping America Informed" in the 21st century.

GPO's vision is not merely to look to the future but to shape the future of Federal information management.

- Bruce R. James
U.S. Public Printer

GPO Announces Major Reorganization Plan

The GPO has announced a major reorganization plan to streamline management and bring the agency into line with current business practices. "Our goal has been to create an organizational structure that makes sense for the work we're doing today and that will prepare us to fulfill our customers' requirements in the years to come," said Public Printer James.

The plan was created through a participative process involving GPO's 39 senior managers, who carefully considered and debated a wide range of options. The new plan formalizes a model that is widely used in industry, with the Public Printer as Chief Executive Officer focusing on organizational policy and long-range planning while the Deputy Public Printer serves as Chief Operating Officer focusing on the day-to-day operations of the business; significantly reduces the number of organizations reporting to the Public Printer; regroups the organizational elements for customer service, printing and printing procurement, and documents dissemination to better meet customer demand; establishes distinct organizational structures for support organizations providing information technology, human resources, and financial and administration, mirroring best practices for industry and Government; institutionalizes strategic and contingency planning functions; and creates a new Office of Innovations and Partnerships to search for and take advantage of emerging technology opportunities and guide in the creation of partnerships with other public and private sector entities to carry out GPO's mission.

As the positions created by the new plan are filled, additional reorganizations will be conducted at subordinate levels. The new plan is considered transitional; additional changes may become necessary in response to changes in customer climate or to implement new strategic directions as part of GPO's planning process.

GPO Management Appointments

William H. Turri - Deputy Public Printer



Public Printer James has named William H. Turri as Deputy Public Printer, the second-highest position within GPO. As Deputy Public Printer,

Turri serves as Chief Operating Officer of the GPO, responsible for overseeing the GPO's day-to-day printing, printing procurement, and information dissemination operations serving Congress, Federal agencies, and the American public.

In speaking of the appointment, James said, "Bill's experience and management capabilities are highly regarded throughout the printing industry and we are extremely fortunate to gain his expertise. I have complete confidence he will ensure that our daily operations provide for the ongoing information needs of Congress, Federal agencies, and the public while we continue transforming the GPO into an agency meeting the demands of the 21st century." Turri succeeds George A. Taylor, who is leaving the GPO to spend more time with his family. "George has served the GPO admirably, helping us launch a thorough transformation program for the GPO," said James.

Turri comes to the GPO following a lifelong career in the printing industry. A 1962 graduate of the Rochester Institute of Technology's (RIT) School of Graphic Arts and Photography, he began his professional career as an Estimator with Eastern Colortype. In 1963, he joined Case-Hoyt, one of the foremost quality printers in the Nation, as a Customer Service Representative, rising to become Supervisor of Customer Service, Sales Representative, and Vice-President for Sales. In 1985, he was named Chief Operating Officer of Monroe Litho, where he later served as President from 1993 to 1995. In 1995, he returned to Case-Hoyt as President and member of its Board of Directors, retiring in 2001.

Turri is a member of RIT's President's Roundtable as well as the Nathaniel

Rochester Society Committee, an organization dedicated to providing scholarships to RIT students. He was the 2002 recipient of RIT's Outstanding Alumni Award and has established an endowed scholarship fund for RIT students. Turri has lectured to senior classes at RIT and served as President of the RIT Alumni/Flower City Chapter. He also served on the New York State Board of the Printing Industries of America, Inc., for 4 years, and was a member of the Printing School Industry Advisory Committee. Turri and his wife, Linda, have 3 grown children and now reside in the Washington, DC, area.

Marc A. Nichols - Inspector General



Marc A. Nichols has been named Inspector General (IG) by Public Printer James. Nichols is responsible for conducting and supervising

audits and investigations relating to GPO; recommending policies to promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in GPO operations; and — in the words of the Federal law establishing GPO's IG — "providing a means of keeping the Public Printer and the Congress fully and currently informed about problems and deficiencies relating to the administration and operations of the GPO."

Nichols brings to the position a strong background in litigation. Prior to his appointment as IG, he practiced law with Hall & Evans, L.L.C., in Denver, Colorado, litigating matters in both Federal and State courts relating to insurance, products liability, employment discrimination, environmental lawsuits, and other matters. Nichols also practiced law as a senior associate with Culpepper & Martin, P.C., in Denver, where he represented clients at both the trial and appellate levels in actions relating to commercial disputes, real estate, insurance claims, criminal cases, and administrative proceedings. He also practiced as an attorney with Qwest/U.S. West Communications, Inc., in Denver, working as part of its State Regulatory Litigation Group.

In announcing Nichols's selection,

James said, "We are extremely fortunate to have found an individual of Marc's caliber to serve as Inspector General for the GPO. I have great confidence that he will ensure our operations are conducted economically and efficiently, and in full conformance with all applicable Federal laws and regulations, as we transform the GPO."

Nichols is a member of the American and Colorado Bar Associations and is admitted to the U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. He holds a J.D. from Washington and Lee University School of Law and earned his B.A. from Wabash College. Nichols is no stranger to Capitol Hill, having worked as a legislative aide to former Representative Richard Zimmer from 1992-93. He also worked for Chemical Bank (now JPMorgan Chase) as a securities banker in New York and London. A native of Utica, New York (and an avid New York Yankees fan), Nichols and his partner, Jamie Collins, reside in the Washington, DC, area.

Reynold C. Schweickhardt - IRM Policy Manager



Reynold C. Schweickhardt, who helped spearhead several key technology initiatives for the U.S. House of

Representatives during the 104th - 108th Congresses, has been appointed Information Resources Management (IRM) Policy Manager for GPO by Public Printer James. As such, Schweickhardt is responsible for establishing, coordinating, and directing IRM policies and programs for the effective management, planning, use, security, and evaluation of the GPO's IT resources.

In announcing the appointment, Public Printer James said, "We are extremely fortunate to have a person of Reynold's extraordinary capabilities join us at the GPO. His record of technological initiatives and innovation in the House of Representatives has earned him recognition as a leader in the Government technology field. He also

brings a strong knowledge of the GPO from his service on the staff of the Joint Committee on Printing (JCP). In joining us, Reynold will be critical to our success in transforming the GPO into a model information agency of the 21st century."

Schweickhardt comes to the GPO from the House Administration Committee, where as Director of Technology he was responsible for IT strategy for the House of Representatives. He coordinated implementation of a business-continuity/ disaster-recovery infrastructure for the House and participated in the House's response to the anthrax crisis, including initiation of a digital mail pilot program. Schweickhardt directed the rollout of several emergency communication systems for Members of Congress, including RIM BlackBerry communication devices and GETS cards to maintain communication capabilities.

From 1995 to 2000, Schweickhardt served as a professional staff member and then Deputy Staff Director of the House Administration Committee, where he coordinated IT programs for the House. He helped develop legislative branch-wide programs with the Senate, Library of Congress, and the GPO including a standards program for information interchange in support of a planned XML-based Document Management System and an Intranet for legislative information system that significantly reduced duplicative information sources in the legislative branch. He also provided oversight for the House's Y2K remediation plan.

While serving as staff to the House Administration Committee, Schweickhardt was staff director of the JCP, where he supported legislative oversight of the GPO's operations and programs, including the GPO's equipment and technology acquisitions.

Before Government service, Schweickhardt was with Hewlett-Packard Co., where he was a software engineer and R&D project manager. He also worked as an IT consultant. Schweickhardt attended the University of California at Santa Barbara. He and his wife Lori reside with their two children in Alexandria, Virginia.

James C. Bradley - Managing Director, Customer Services



Public Printer James has announced the appointment of James C. Bradley as Managing Director of Customer Services. "Jim brings a

vast store of institutional knowledge and a commitment to change to the GPO's new organizational structure," said James. "He will be instrumental in helping us transform the GPO into a world-class information service agency staffed and equipped to meet the demands of Congress, Federal agencies, and the American public."

As Managing Director of Customer Services, Bradley heads up the GPO's decision making to produce or procure printing, supervises liaison with congressional and agency customers, oversees customer outreach and satisfaction, directs print product and services marketing, manages printing contract administration, and provides prepress and design consultation services. The new Customer Services organization incorporates the GPO's Printing Procurement Department, creating a direct line of responsive authority for meeting customer printing and publications needs.

Bradley directed the GPO's former customer services operation from 1997 to 2003, earning praise for his knowledge, expertise, and customer advocacy. He came to the GPO from the JCP, where for 14 years he served as a professional staff member and lead technical advisor for the Joint Committee. From 1980 to 1983, Bradley was Printing Officer for the Department of Energy, and from 1971 to 1980, he held a variety of operational and management positions at the Internal Revenue Service, including managing the composition, procurement, and production of business and individual tax forms for nationwide distribution. Bradley holds a B.A. in printing management, with a minor in business administration, from Sam Houston State University, TX. He is an instrument-rated private pilot. Bradley and his wife,

Barbara, reside in McLean, Virginia. Their daughter is a student at the Purdue University School of Veterinary Medicine in West Lafayette, Indiana.

Robert E. Schwenk - Managing Director of Plant Operations



Recently named Managing Director of Plant Operations, Robert E. Schwenk brings a career of involvement in new

and emerging print technologies to the position. In that capacity, he oversees all legislative printing services for Congress, including overnight production of the Congressional Record, bills, reports, hearings, and other congressional documents. He also directs essential executive branch printing services, including the daily Federal Register, the Code of Federal Regulations, and U.S. passports and postal cards. In addition to print production, Schwenk is also responsible for ensuring that congressional and agency products are made available online via **GPO Access** (www.gpoaccess.gov). He also directs quality assurance and procurement compliance for plant operations.

A graduate of the GPO's apprentice program, by 1985 Schwenk rose through the ranks to become Superintendent of the GPO's Electronic Photocomposition Division, a unit of more than 300 GPO employees responsible for all prepress activities for the preparation of congressional and agency information products for print and the dissemination of those same products online. During his tenure, **GPO Access** was developed as a major Government Web site that now provides public access to more than 225,000 titles. Schwenk also directed the development of GPO's on-demand printing system and guided the implementation of computer-to-plate printing at GPO, which is today used to create more than 85 percent of all printing plates used by GPO's production operations. For the past 4 months, he served as Acting Production

Manager for the GPO, directing all plant operations. Schwenk is an accomplished sailor. He and his wife, Victoria, are the parents of 3 grown children, and reside in Dunkirk, Maryland.

William L. Boesch, Jr. - Comptroller



Public Printer James has appointed William L. Boesch, Jr., as Comptroller of the GPO. Boesch will report to the GPO's

Chief Financial Officer and oversee the financial operations of the agency. Boesch's responsibilities include not only managing expenditures, but also oversight of GPO's revolving fund, payments to printing contractors, payroll, and more. In making the appointment, James said, "Bill's extensive knowledge of the GPO and its financial structure makes him a tremendous asset to this agency. I am confident that his careful attention to GPO's finances will prove invaluable to us as we transform the GPO."

Boesch is the fourth generation of his family to work in the printing industry. His great grandfather was a lithographer, his grandmother a linotype operator, and his father a monotype and linotype operator at GPO. Bill came to GPO in 1979 as a Systems Accountant. In 1982, he was made chief of the General Ledger and Property Section and in 1985 he was promoted to chief of the General Accounting Branch.

He is a 1979 Magna Cum Laude graduate of the University of Baltimore, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration (Accounting). Boesch's graduate work in Accounting and Information Systems was conducted at the University of Baltimore and the George Washington University. Boesch resides in Silver Spring, Maryland, with his very significant other Linda Giacomo. Boesch stays fit by running, and makes time for his genealogical sleuthing and gardening hobbies. He is the father of one grown child, a college student in Tempe, Arizona.

Richard G. Davis - Director of the Office of Electronic Information Dissemination Services



Richard G. (Ric) Davis, an 11-year veteran of the GPO has been named director of the Office of Electronic Information

Dissemination Services (EIDS). As the director of EIDS, Davis is responsible for **GPO Access** (www.gpoaccess.gov), GPO's award-winning Web site that provides extensive collections of Government data from all three branches of Government. In making the appointment, Public Printer James said, "Ric's thorough knowledge of both the management and the underlying technology of **GPO Access** make him a tremendous asset to the organization. I have every confidence that, under Ric's guidance, **GPO Access** will continue to lead the field in its services to users of Government information."

Davis began his GPO career in 1992 as a Program Analyst in GPO's Technical Support Group. In 1994, he joined the GPO Library Programs Service as a Management Analyst, and then went on to head the Electronic Transition Staff. In 1996, he joined EIDS as the Product Services Manager. He was named Assistant Director of EIDS in 2001.

Davis earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science at James Madison University in 1988. He was awarded a Master of Arts degree in Government by the College of William and Mary in 1991. He has also completed additional graduate work at Virginia Tech. Prior to joining GPO, Davis worked for RJR Nabisco. Davis and his wife, Jennifer, reside in Gaithersburg, Maryland, with their son.

GPO Bookstores to Close

With nearly a quarter of a million titles available online and free of charge, and with public retrievals exceeding 32 million every month, **GPO Access** (www.gpoaccess.gov) has become one of the principal tools for providing public access to official U.S. Government information. As a result, by September 30, 2003, the GPO will close all of its brick-and-mortar bookstore operations outside Washington, DC. "The GPO is remaking itself as an agency committed to using new technologies to meet the information demands of the 21st century," said Public Printer James. "In the past our bookstores provided a great service, but the business of Government information production and delivery is changing, and we are not only changing with it, we will help lead that change."

The closings mark the latest in a series of developments marking the GPO's transformation into a primarily electronic information disseminating agency. In addition to providing online access to Government information via GPO Access, GPO is actively transitioning its Federal Depository Library Program, serving 1,200 libraries nationwide, to a predominately electronic basis.

GPO's online bookstore's (<http://bookstore.gpo.gov>) sales catalog includes all titles available for sale and can be searched by publication title, subject, or keywords. All titles can be ordered securely online using Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover/Novus credit cards, and customers have a rapid delivery option via FedEx. Customers can also order Government publications from the GPO toll free by telephone from 866-512-1800, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern time; by fax from 202-512-2250; or by mail from Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954.

In addition to being able to access Federal information and buy Government publications online, citizens can continue to locate and use Government information through any Federal depository library (see www.gpo.gov/libraries for Federal depository locations).

Slated for closure are the GPO bookstores in Kansas City, Portland OR, Seattle, New York (July 1); Los Angeles, Denver, Pueblo CO, Detroit, Milwaukee (August 1); and Atlanta, Jacksonville FL, Pittsburgh, and Houston (August 29). The store at the GPO headquarters in Washington, DC, will be reconfigured. Since 2001, the GPO has closed bookstores in San Francisco, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, Birmingham, Cleveland, and Columbus, as well as a store in the Washington, DC, area.

Five Appointed To Depository Library Council

Public Printer James has appointed five new members to the Depository Library Council to the Public Printer. They are Duncan Aldrich, University of Nevada/Reno; Charles D. Eckman, Stanford University; John W. Graham, Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County, Ohio; Cheryl Knott Malone, University of Arizona, and Barbara Selby,

University of Virginia School of Law. The appointments are effective October 1, 2003. "These five individuals bring a broad range of in-depth and diversified experience to the Council," said James. "We're extremely fortunate to have them serve on the Depository Library Council to advise us as we transform the Federal Depository Library Program to meet the demands of the 21st century."

Duncan Aldrich is DataWorks Coordinator at the University of Nevada/Reno Libraries. He was a Council member from 1997 to 2000 and served as Chair during 1999-2000, and worked as an expert consultant at GPO from 1996-1997 on issues related to electronic transition. Currently, Aldrich is active in the American Library Association (ALA) and its Government Documents Roundtable (ALA-GODORT), and is Co-Chair of the ALA Task Force on Restrictions on Access to Government Information.

Charles D. (Chuck) Eckman is Head, Social Sciences Resource Group and Principal Government Documents Librarian, Social Sciences Resource Center, Green Library, Stanford University, Stanford, California. He has been Principal Government Documents Librarian in the Stanford University Libraries since 1995, and Director of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Digital Archive project since 1999. Chuck is active in ALA-GODORT and serves as chair of the ALA's International Documents Task Force.

John W. Graham is Head of the Public Documents and Patents Department at the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County, Ohio. He has served as a resource for a PBS documentary, with particular reference to the U.S. Congressional Serial Set.

Cheryl Knott Malone is Associate Professor, School of Information Resources and Library Science, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona. She teaches graduate courses on Government information, social constructs of information, information literacy instruction, and online searching. She is also researching the construction and revision of the Information Sector in the North



American Industry Classification System, and is an Affiliate with the Women's Studies program at the University of Arizona.

Barbara Selby is Documents Librarian at the Arthur J. Morris Law Library, University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville, Virginia. She authors a Web page, "Federal Administrative Decisions & Other Actions" (<http://www.law.virginia.edu/adminidec>), and is Co-editor of the Virginia Library Association's journal, Virginia Libraries. She is one of the directors of the Virginia Association of Law Libraries.

The Depository Library Council consists of 15 representatives of the Government information community who serve terms of 3 years. Each year, five members are appointed by the Public Printer. With roots dating to 1813, the GPO's Federal Depository Library Program has often been called America's first "freedom of information" program. It ensures that the American public has access to Government information. Depository libraries collect, organize, maintain, preserve, and assist users with Government information. The GPO provides Government information at no cost to depository libraries throughout the country. Depository libraries, in turn, provide local, no-fee access to Government information in all formats in an impartial environment with professional assistance. Any member of the public can use Federal depository collections to find information on careers, business opportunities, consumer information, health and nutrition, legal and regulatory information, demographics, and countless other subjects. More information on the Federal Depository Library Program is at www.gpoaccess.gov/libraries.html.

GPO Access Redesign

GPO Access has been relaunched with a new URL and enhanced look and feel. As of April 4, 2003, users have been able to access the new **GPO Access** homepage at: www.gpoaccess.gov. This relaunch was accomplished as a result of feedback from users, through surveys, usability studies, focus groups, and contacts received through the **GPO Access** User Support Team. Due to the large size and scope of **GPO Access**, pages are being migrated gradually to the new site, www.gpoaccess.gov. Re-directs are being provided for all pages to the new site.

New Domain Name for GPO Access

GPO Access has established a new domain name, gpoaccess.gov. Pages that are classified by the **GPO Access** Web Design Guidelines as a part of **GPO Access** are in the process of being consolidated under the gpoaccess.gov domain. All pages of a GPO nature remain under the gpo.gov domain. The gpo.gov/index.html page, however, will mirror that of gpoaccess.gov/index.html and links will be added from the home page to the other services of GPO, e.g., contracting opportunities and services to agencies.

Publications Now Available on GPO Access

Congressional Hearings and Reports from the Challenger Space Shuttle Accident

Selected Congressional Hearings and Reports from the Challenger Space Shuttle Accident are now available on **GPO Access** at www.gpoaccess.gov/challenger. On February 1, 2003, NASA's Space Shuttle Columbia broke apart while returning to Earth from a 16-day science mission in orbit. Following the tragedy, a series of congressional hearings were held, including a joint hearing between the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the House Science Committee (February 12); and a House Science Committee hearing on the implications of the Columbia accident on NASA programs and budget (February 27). These eleven publications, consisting of 11 hearings and 1 report, were assembled for Congress as background materials and are now being made available online via GPO Access in Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF). In addition, a CD-ROM version of these materials is available through the U.S. Government Online Bookstore.



McCarthy Hearings (1953-54)

The Executive Sessions of the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Government Operations (McCarthy Hearings 1953-54), Volumes 1-5 (S. Prt. 107-84), are now available on **GPO Access**. The Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations has released all of the previously closed transcripts of executive sessions held during the chairmanship of Senator Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wisconsin, from 1953 to 1954. Investigative records of the Senate are sealed for 50 years. The release of these hearings on their 50th anniversary marks the largest opening of documents related to the McCarthy investigations. This five-volume set of hearings contains testimony by such prominent witnesses as Aaron Copland, Langston Hughes, and the historian Herbert Aptheker. Other witnesses included Government employees, labor organizers and Army officers. The hearing transcripts were edited for publication, but nothing was deleted from the transcripts. All of the original transcripts are open and available for research at the Center for Legislative Archives, National Archives and Records Administration. Files are available in ASCII Text and PDF formats and are available for direct download at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/congress/senate/senate12cp107.html>. The hearings are also searchable from the Congressional Committee Reports on GPO Access at <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/cprints/search.html>.

Report of Investigation of Enron Corporation and Related Entities Regarding Federal Tax and Compensation Issues, and Policy Recommendations, February 2003

The Report of Investigation of Enron Corporation and Related Entities Regarding Federal Tax and Compensation Issues, and Policy Recommendations, February 2003, is now available on **GPO Access** at <http://www.gpo.gov/congress/joint/hjoint01lp108.html>. The report was put out by the Joint Committee on Taxation for the 108th Congress. Files are

available in PDF format only and in three volumes: Volume I, Report; Volume II, Appendices A & B; and Volume III, Appendices C & D.

New Special Value Publications

"Special Values" is a new program from the Superintendent of Documents offering selected publications at significantly lower prices. This special collection is featured on the U.S. Government Online Bookstore at bookstore.gpo.gov/values. Currently, nineteen publications are available at greatly reduced prices, and quantities are limited. These publications vary in subject matter and include popular titles such as the 1996 Statistical Abstract of the United States, Exploring the Unknown, and Crime in the United States. Additional titles will be added to the Special Values page as the Sales Program continues to review its inventory. No discounts are available for any Special Value publications.

Regulations.gov Wins E-Gov 2003 Pioneer Award and Federal Leadership Council Award of Excellence

Regulations.gov was recognized with an E-Gov 2003 "Pioneer" award. This prestigious award is given to Government organizations that demonstrate exemplary achievements in e-government. The GPO's contributions to the **Regulations.gov** cross-agency initiative include testing, hosting, and providing user support for the site via the GPO Access User Support Team.

Regulations.gov received the award as a result of an E-Government Best Practice application that was submitted to the Government Solutions Center Selection Committee. The award was presented in conjunction with the Government Solutions Center portion of the E-Gov 2003 Exposition. **Regulations.gov** was selected out of 252 nominations for this top award category.

Regulations.gov was also a recent

Federal Leadership Council Award of Excellence winner. This award honors programs that best exemplify the Government's efforts to improve the delivery of services to citizens.

New Web Site Hosted on GPO Access

GPO announced a new Federal Web site hosted by **GPO Access**—the Commission on Affordable Housing and Health Facility Needs for Seniors in the 21st Century at <http://www.seniorscommission.gov>. The Commission was created by Congress to report on the housing and health needs for the next generation of seniors and offer policy and legislative recommendations for enhancing services and increasing the available housing for this rapidly growing segment of our society. Following a year of independent research on housing, service and demographic issues and a series of nationwide hearings, the Seniors Commission presented its report to Congress on June 28, 2002. The report is available in both HTML and PDF. In addition to the availability of the report, there are links to Hearings, a news archive, and photos and information about the commissioners.

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