UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250 **Notice PM-2603**

For: State and County Offices

County Office (CO) Vacancy Announcements

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Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Management

1 Overview

A Background

Recently OPM and HRD reached an agreement to re-establish USAJOBS Vacancy Announcement Builder access for State Offices to post CO vacancy announcements.

HRD has worked with OPM to:

- set-up an Administrative Team (designated National Office employees) that will have access to all State team accounts to monitor and provide assistance to individual States when necessary
- set-up State Teams (designated State Office employees) that will have access to all announcements entered by a member of that State team to allow for continuity and easy identification of local announcements at the State Office
- obtain approval to continue to use "CO" as the pay plan when posting CO vacancy announcements
- establish procedures to obtain new user accounts for State Offices to allow them to post CO vacancy announcements directly to USAJOBS.

B Purpose

This notice:

- informs State Offices that they will resume the responsibility for posting CO vacancy announcements to USAJOBS
- updates State and County Offices on the new procedures for posting and accessing CO vacancy announcements.

Disposal Date	Distribution
August 1, 2008	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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2 Posting CO Vacancy Announcements

A Requirements

OPM requires that offices submitting CO vacancy announcements for posting to the USAJOBS website obtain new user ID's and passwords. To receive USAJOBS access, each user **must** individually register for access at the Employer Services site at: https://recruiter.usajobs.opm.gov/requestaccess.asp?reqAccess=1.

Notes: For registration purposes only, ENTER "Bobbie Farley" as "supervisor". This will ensure that the account is linked to the appropriate team. OPM recognizes this is not the user's actual supervisor and this has no effect on chain of command for these users. It only ties the account to the authority for posting these CO positions on USAJOBS.

By providing past user account information on the registration form, previous postings/folders will be linked to the new State Team so the user has access to historical announcements.

States that have recently requested or currently have user ID's and passwords shall **not** use these user ID's or passwords. Request a new ID and password according to this notice.

If a State fails to follow established user account and vacancy announcement procedures; their account will be disabled by OPM without notice.

See Exhibit 1 for instructions for obtaining user ID's and passwords. For further instruction or additional guidance contact Bobbie Farley, HRD, by either of the following:

- e-mail at bobbie.farley@wdc.usda.gov
- telephone at 202-401-0436.

B Vacancy Announcement Templates

Approved templates for CED, County Office Trainee, and Program Technician announcements have been pre-loaded into the Vacancy Announcement Builder under the National Office Administrative Team. States can access the templates under the "My Team's Shared Templates" folder. Each State will be able to create and post a job or copy the template to their team for editing and posting.

Note: States will not have access to modify the master templates.

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C State Office Responsibility

State Offices have the responsibility for posting CO vacancy announcements to USAJOBS. Each State is required to have a **minimum of 2 registered users**, consisting of a primary and back-up individual who will be responsible for completing uploads. There is no limit to the number of users a State can have as long as each individual obtains a user ID according to this notice.

Note: OPM does not permit sharing user ID's or passwords.

D Deadline for Requesting User ID's and Passwords

HRD requires that all States have State Teams enrolled with USAJOBS no later than **September 10, 2007**.

E Contact

Direct questions to either of the following HRD employees:

- Michael Rafferty by either of the following:
 - e-mail to michael.rafferty@wdc.usda.gov
 - telephone at 202-401-0432
- Tonique Coley by either of the following:
 - email to toni.coley@wdc.usda.gov
 - telephone at 202-401-0392.

F Amendment to 27-PM

HRD will amend 27-PM to reflect these changes.

USAJOBS Employee Services Registration Form

The following is an example of the form to request user ID's and passwords. Highlighted items must be completed as shown.

USAJOBS EMPLOYER	SERVICES 🌑	□ <u>Help</u>
Apply for Access		
f you are a Government Agency Recruiter		
currently registered with USAJOBS Employ	er Services for your agency	, please complete this form.
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*User Name:	This will be	your login name in the system
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A new access is required when you relocate.		** Not a mandatory field; however by
Previous Login Name:	**	providing previous login ID any prior postings/folders will be linked to the
Previous Agency Name:		new State Team.
*Supervisor's Name:	Bobbie Farley	A TTENTION.
* <mark>Supervisor's Phone Number</mark> :	202-401-0436	ATTENTION: This is for registration
*Supervisor's Email Address:	bobbie.farley@w dc.usda.gov	purposes only. This will ensure your account is
*Another Individual With Job Access In Your		linked to the appropriate
Office		team.

USAJOBS Employee Services Registration Form (Continued)

or your Office's shared team name:	
*Agency CPDF Code:	AGFA
*Password:	Note: To improve USAJOBS data security and citizen privacy, we now require passwords to: Have a minimum of 8 characters, contain at leas: 1 upper case letter, 1 lower case letter, 1 number, and 1 symbol (e.g. # or !). Passwords cannot be your first name, last name, email
*Re-enter Password for Verification:	address, or usemame. Your new password cannot be any of your three previous passwords. Your password needs to be changed to meet these new standards.
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