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WASHINGTON--The U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) and the National Archives' Office of the Federal Register (OFR) are continuing to make achievements in providing open and transparent Federal Government information that is usable by the public. The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), which is the codification of the general and permanent rules published in the Federal Register by the executive departments and agencies of the Federal Government, has been converted by GPO into XML (extensible markup language) and placed online to Federal Government sites, which include: GPO's Federal Digital System (www.fdsys.gov) and the Government's new site for Government data (www.data.gov). Initially the CFR's from 2007 to present are available and those dating back to 2000 will be added over the next few months. This project is part of the on going effort to meet President Barack Obama's challenge to Federal agencies to create a more open and transparent Government. GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys), a world-class information management system for Federal publications, is instrumental in enabling this enhanced capability for the CFR.

Link: http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/bulkdata/CFR

"GPO has been providing the American people an open and transparent view of the documents of our democracy for nearly 150 years and this milestone with the CFR is another example of how GPO is keeping America informed," said Public Printer Bob Tapella. "GPO employees are embracing President Obama's call to provide Americans the tools to monitor the workings of the federal government. FDsys is becoming the permanent repository for authentic, published government information."

"For the first time ever, the complete body of all the regulations of the Federal Executive Departments and Agencies is available, as a whole, for search and retrieval, combination into new formats and development of applications to particular citizen needs," said Ray Mosley, Director of the Federal Register. "As creative entrepreneurs mine this data, exciting applications are going to be made available to the public that will open government and create new ways for the public to participate in government policymaking."

The Office of the Federal Register, within the National Archives and Records Administration, publishes seven major publications containing the official text of Federal laws, Presidential documents, administrative regulations, public notices, and the descriptions of Federal organizations, programs and activities. Its premier publications are the daily Federal Register and the 226-volume Code of Federal Regulations.

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