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of this section, the Board shall include a written certification that:

- (1) The debtor owes the United States a debt, including the amount of the debt:
- (2) The Board has complied with all applicable statutes, regulations, and procedures of the Office of Personnel Management; and
- (3) The Board has complied with the requirements of the applicable provisions of the Federal Claims Collection Standards, the Railroad Retirement Act and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act including any required hearing or review.
- (c) When the Board decides to request administrative offset under paragraph (a) of this section, it should make the request as soon as practical after completion of the applicable due process procedures in order that the Office of Personnel Management may identify and flag the debtor's account in anticipation of the time when the debtor becomes eligible and requests to receive payments from the Fund. This will satisfy any requirement that offset be initiated prior to expiration of the applicable statute of limitations. At such time as the debtor makes a claim for payments from the Fund, if at least a year has elapsed since the offset request was originally made, the debtor will be permitted to offer a satisfactory repayment plan in lieu of offset upon establishing that changed financial circumstances would render the offset unjust.
- (d) In accordance with procedures established by the Office of Personnel Management, the Board may request an offset from the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund prior to completion of due process procedures.
- (e) If the Board collects part or all of the debt by other means before deductions are made or completed pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, the Board shall act promptly to modify or terminate its request for offset under paragraph (a) of this section.

PART 368—PROHIBITION OF **CIGARETTE SALES TO MINORS**

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AUTHORITY: Sec. 636, Pub. L. 104-52, 109 Stat. 507 (40 U.S.C. 486nt).

SOURCE: 61 FR 8214, Mar. 4, 1996, unless otherwise noted.

§ 368.1 Introduction.

This part implements Public Law 104-52, the "Prohibition of Cigarette Sales to Minors in Federal Buildings and Lands Act," which prohibits the sale of tobacco products through vending machines and the distribution of free samples of tobacco products on Federal property.

§ 368.2 Definitions.

As used in this part—

Federal property includes any building and real property occupied and maintained by the Board.

Minor means an individual under the age of 18 years.

Tobacco product means cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, pipe tobacco, smokeless tobacco, snuff, and chewing tobacco.

§ 368.3 Vending machines.

The sale of tobacco products in vending machines is prohibited in or around Federal property occupied and maintained by the Railroad Retirement Board.

§ 368.4 Concession stands.

Tobacco products may be sold on property occupied and maintained by the Railroad Retirement Board only as authorized by the Railroad Retirement Board or the General Services Administration or other Federal agency. Concession stands may not sell tobacco products to minors.

§ 368.5 Free tobacco samples.

The distribution of free samples of tobacco products is prohibited in or around Federal property occupied and maintained by the Railroad Retirement Board.

PART 369—USE OF THE SEAL OF THE RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

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AUTHORITY: 18 U.S.C. 701; 45 U.S.C. 231f.

SOURCE: 66 FR 29475, May 31, 2001, unless otherwise noted.

§369.1 Unofficial use of the seal of the Railroad Retirement Board.

Use of the seal of the Railroad Retirement Board for non-Agency business is prohibited unless permission for use of the seal has been obtained in accordance with this part.

§ 369.2 Authority to grant written permission for use of the seal.

The Board hereby delegates authority to grant written permission for the use of the seal of the Railroad Retirement Board to the Director of Administration.

§ 369.3 Procedures for obtaining permission to use the seal.

Requests for written permission to use the seal of the Railroad Retirement Board shall be in writing and shall be directed to the Director of Administration of the Railroad Retirement Board. The request should, at a minimum, contain the following information:

- (a) Name and address of the requester.
- (b) A description of the type of activity in which the requester is engaged or proposes to engage.
- (c) A statement of whether the requester considers the proposed use or imitation to be commercial or noncommercial, and why.
- (d) A brief description and illustration or sample of the proposed use, as well as a description of the product or service in connection with which it will be used. This description will provide sufficient detail to enable the Director of Administration to determine whether the intended use of the seal is con-

sistent with the interests of the government.

(e) In the case of a non-commercial use, a description of the requesting organization's function and purpose shall be provided.

§ 369.4 Inappropriate use of the seal.

The Railroad Retirement Board shall not grant permission for use of the seal in those instances where use of the seal will give the unintended appearance of Agency endorsement or authentication. Situations where use of the seal of the Railroad Retirement Board would be inappropriate include, but are not limited to, the following examples:

- (a) A consulting firm makes arrangements with a railroad to conduct a retirement planning seminar for its employees. Included in the material distributed to the seminar attendees is a booklet, prepared by the consulting firm, which displays the seal of the Railroad Retirement Board on the cover and contains information regarding benefits payable under the Railroad Retirement Act.
- (b) A former employee of the Railroad Retirement Board owns a coffee and donut shop, frequented by present and past railroad workers. Many of the shop's customers know of the owner's prior employment with the Board and frequently ask him questions related to benefits payable under the Railroad Unemployment Insurance and Railroad Retirement Acts. The shop owner prepares and distributes to his customers a monthly flyer listing benefit questions presented to him during the month, as well as his answers to the questions. The flyer displays the seal of the Board.
- (c) A retired railroad employee works part-time in a train hobby shop. The shop owner, at the former railroad worker's suggestion, develops and sells items such as coffee mugs and computer mouse pads with text relevant to benefits paid by the Railroad Retirement Board. The text is taken from publications issued by the Railroad Retirement Board. The merchandise also bears the seal of the Railroad Retirement Board.