9. Executive Orders: E.O. 11990 Protection of Wetlands; E.O. 11988 Floodplain Management; E.O. 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low Income Populations; E.O. 11593 Protection and Enhancement of Cultural Resources; E.O. 13007 Indian Sacred Sites; E.O. 13287 Preserve America; E.O. 13175 Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments; E.O. 11514 Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality; E.O. 13112 Invasive Species. (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 13272 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

Issued on: December 13, 2011.
Brian D. Hasselbach,
Right of Way and Environmental Programs Manager, Federal Highway Administration, Montana Division.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Surface Transportation Board
[Docket No. EP 290 (Sub-No. 5) (2012–1)]
Quarterly Rail Cost Adjustment Factor
AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.
ACTION: Approval of rail cost adjustment factor.
SUMMARY: The Board has approved the first quarter 2012 rail cost adjustment factor (RCAF) and cost index filed by the Association of American Railroads. The first quarter 2012 RCAF (Unadjusted) is 1.169. The first quarter 2012 RCAF (Adjusted) is 0.514. The first quarter 2012 RCAF–5 is 0.488. The Board noted an error in the fourth quarter 2011 Labor index, which will be accounted for using the second quarter 2012 forecast error calculation.
DATES: Effective Date: January 1, 2012.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:
Additional information is contained in the Board’s decision, which is available on our Web site, http://www.stb.dot.gov. Copies of the decision may be purchased by contacting the Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at (202) 245–0238. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through FIRS at (800) 877–8339.
This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or energy conservation.
Decided: December 19, 2011.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
VASRD Forum—Improving VA’s Disability Evaluation Criteria for Neurological Conditions and Convulsive Disorders, Organs of Special Sense, Gynecological Conditions and Disorders of the Breast, and Skin
AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.
ACTION: Notice of meeting.
SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) and Veterans Health Administration (VHA) will co-host the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Schedule for Rating Disabilities (VASRD) Forum—Improving VA’s Disability Evaluation Criteria for the Neurological Conditions and Convulsive Disorders, Organs of Special Sense, Gynecological Conditions and Disorders of the Breast, and Skin. The purpose of this VASRD Improvement Forum is to capture public comment and current medical science information from presentations made by subject matter experts. This Forum is scheduled for January 17–26, 2012. VA plans to use this information to update the sections of VASRD that pertain to the following four body systems: (1) Neurological Conditions and Convulsive Disorders (38 CFR 4.120–4.124a), (2) Organs of Special Sense (38 CFR 4.75–4.79), (3) Gynecological Conditions and Disorders of the Breast (38 CFR 4.116), and (4) The Skin (38 CFR 4.118).
Specifically, diagnostic code descriptors and evaluation criteria will be discussed.
DATES: The plenary session on Tuesday, January 17, 2012, from 8 a.m.–3:30 p.m., will cover neurological conditions and convulsive disorders. The plenary session on Thursday, January 19, 2012, from 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m., will cover organs of special sense with emphasis on the eyes. The plenary session on the morning of Tuesday, January 24, 2012, from 8 a.m.–12 p.m., will cover gynecological conditions and disorders of the breast. The plenary session on Wednesday, January 25, 2012, from 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m., will cover skin conditions.
The Neurology Work Group meeting will take place from 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m.,
on Wednesday, January 18, 2012. The Opthomamology Work Group will meet from 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 20, 2012. The Gynecology Work Group will meet from 1 p.m.–4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 24, 2012. On Thursday, January 26, 2012, the Skin Conditions Work Group will meet from 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** All plenary sessions will be held at the VHA New York Harbor Healthcare System, Manhattan Campus, located at 423 East 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010. The Gynecology Work Group will also meet at the Manhattan Campus. The Neurology, Opthomamology and Skin Conditions Work Groups’ meetings will occur at the VBA New York Regional Office located at 245 West Houston Street, New York, NY 10014.

**Public Comment:** Contingent upon available capacity and time, individuals wishing to make oral statements or ask questions will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nick Olmos-Lau, M.D., Regulation Staff, Compensation Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420. Anyone wishing to attend these meetings or seeking additional information may also contact Dr. Olmos-Lau at (202) 461–9695 or Nick.Olmos-Lau@va.gov.

Dated: December 16, 2011.

John R. Gingrich,
Chief of Staff, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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