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Defense Civilian Personnel Advisory Service  
Alexandria, VA 22350-1100

Issue Date: January 8, 2025

SUBJECT: Federal Wage System Special Wage Rates for the St. Louis, Missouri (SL) Wage Area

TO: Commanding Officers of Military Departments and DoD Component Installations in the Area

- REFERENCES:
- (a) Office of Personnel Management Compensation Policy Memorandum 2022-02, "Achieving a \$15 Per Hour Minimum Pay Rate for Federal Employees", dated January 21, 2022.
  - (b) Office of Personnel Management letter, dated January 27, 2022, which authorized the establishment of special rates for employees under all FWS regular and special wage schedules, where necessary, to achieve a \$15 per hour minimum hourly rate of pay.
  - (c) Operating Manual, Federal Wage System, Subchapter S12, Special Rates or Rate Ranges Under the Federal Wage System.
  - (d) Defense Civilian Personnel Advisory Service, Federal Wage System Regular and Special Production Facilitating Wage Rate Schedule for the 281R St. Louis, Missouri (SL) Wage Area, dated January 2, 2025.

Issued under authority of DoD Instruction 5120.39, dated October 1, 2015, subject to the limitations contained in CPM 2024-25, dated December 23, 2024. The Federal Wage System Regular & Special Production Facilitating Wage Rate Schedule at reference (d) is amended by the following special rates:

WG WL-WS GRADE	WG-RATES					WL-RATES					WS-RATES				
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
1	16.88	17.59	18.30	18.99	19.70	18.57	19.34	20.12	20.89	21.66	27.48	28.63	29.77	30.91	32.06
2	17.72	18.46	19.21	19.94	20.68	19.49	20.30	21.12	21.92	22.75	28.32	29.50	30.68	31.86	33.05

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