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MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF HUMAN CAPITAL OFFICERS

FROM: LINDA M. SPRINGER
DIRECTOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "LMS", written over the printed name of Linda M. Springer.

Subject: Final Job Family Position Classification Standard for
Professional Work in the Mathematical Sciences Group,
1500

The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) is releasing for implementation the final Job Family Position Classification Standard (JFS) for Professional Work in the Mathematical Sciences Group, 1500. This final JFS updates narrative standards to the Factor Evaluation System (FES) format and consolidates the professional series and grading criteria into one document.

The job family standard provides information on series definitions, titling instructions, and grading criteria for professional, nonresearch, and nonsupervisory positions in the Mathematical Sciences Group, 1500. It also does the following:

- Establishes the 1501, General Mathematics and Statistics Series;
- Deletes the 1540, Cryptography Series;
- Changes the names of three series: 1510, Actuary, to Actuarial Science; 1529, Mathematical Statistician, to Mathematical Statistics; and 1530, Statistician, to Statistics;
- Adds a section on "General Series Determination Guidelines" to help users select the appropriate occupational series;
- Adds a section on "Classifying Professional Scientific Work" to help users determine the appropriate grade;
- Adds a section on "Distinguishing Between Professional and Technical Work" to help the user determine whether the work is professional (two-grade interval) or technical (one-grade interval) in nature; and
- Retains existing parenthetical titles for the Statistics Series, 1530, but eliminates the "General" specialty to conform to other recently issued job family standards.

Attachment

cc: Human Resources Directors
Agency Classification Chiefs