STATE OF ARKANSAS
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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT
Administrator's Office
1509 West Seventh Street, Suite 201

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Senator John Cooper, Co-Chairperson Representative Les Eaves, Co-Chairperson
Uniform Personnel Classification and
Compensation Plan Subcommittee
Arkansas Legislative Council
State Capitol Building, Room 315
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

## Dear Co-Chairs:

The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) submits a request for the continuation of previously approved Labor Market Rates for FY19. The requested special entry rates for continuation are attached.

The Office of Personnel Management is requesting the continuation of two Labor Market Rates from two agencies. These rates were approved so that the agencies can attract and retain qualified applicants. Labor Market Rates are also utilized due to labor market conditions for the locations of these classifications.

After review of the requests, the Office of Personnel Management recommends the approval of the continuation of these previously approved Labor Market Rates for FY19. Your consideration of this request is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,


Kay Barnhill
State Personnel Administrator


Chief Fiscal Officer of the State

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## Disability Determination for Social Security Administration

701 South Pulaski Street<br>Little Rock, Arkansas 72201<br>Telephone 501-682-3030

May 9, 2018
Ms. Kay Barnhill
State Personnel Administrator
Office of Personnel Management
1509 West Seventh Street, Suite 201
Little Rock, AR 72203
Dear Ms. Barnhill:
Disability Determination for Social Security Administration (DDSSA) is requesting a continuation of the labor market special entry rate shown below.

| Classification | Class Code | Grade | LMR Salary |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DDSSA Medical Consultant | L012N | MP06 | $\$ 147,000$ |

In 2010, OPM approved a labor market rate for the classification of DDSSA Medical Consultant as an acknowledgment of our agency's problem with recruiting and retaining licensed physicians to perform Social Security Disability reviews, as well as an acknowledgment of the extensive training, beyond routine licensure, that is required for medical professionals to perform this job. However, the DDSSA Medical Consultant labor market rate, along with all salary administration grids and labor market rates, expired 6/17/2017 with the rollout of the FY18 Compensation and Classification Pay Plan.

For FY18, the classification of DDSSA Medical Consultant is located on the Medical Professionals Pay Table, with an assignment of MP06. With the MP06 entry salary being significantly less than the previously approved labor market rate, DDSSA would encounter the same recruiting and retention problems that existed several years ago. As an acknowledgment of DDSSA's ongoing problem, OPM approved a labor market rate of $\$ 147,000$ for the classification of DDSSA Medical Consultant, effective 11/17/2017, which DDSSA is requesting to continue.

Thank you for your consideration and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.
Sincerely,


Arthur Boutiette
Agency Director

May 15, 2018

Kay Barnhill, Administrator Office of Personnel Management
Department of Finance and Administration
1509 West $7^{\text {th }}$ Street, Suite 201
Little Rock, AR 72201
Dear Ms. Barnhill:
The Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration is requesting the continuation of the previously approved special entry rate for the following classification:

## Title

T106C Grade
DFA Revenue Security Supervisor - $\mp 046 G$ GS09
This special entry rate allows DFA to hire certified Law Enforcement Officers as "Extra Help" at $\$ 30 /$ hour. These Law Enforcement Officers only work up to 2 hours a day and assist in protecting the DFA Revenue Offices and its employees as the office follows its closing procedures.

Your favorable consideration of this request is appreciated.
Sincerely,


Amy Valentine
DFA Human Resources Manager

