after in this section referred to as "VTS") sensor sites, or National Distress System (hereafter in this section referred to as "NDS") high level antenna sites. These lease agreements shall include cancellation and termination provisions to the extent necessary to protect the best interests of the United States. Cancellation payment provisions may include consideration of both recurring and nonrecurring costs associated with the real property interests under the contract. These lease agreements may provide for a cancellation payment to be made. Amounts that were originally obligated for the cost of the contract may be used for cancellation or termination costs.

- (b) For purposes of this section, the term "special purpose facilities" means any facilities used to carry out Coast Guard aviation, maritime, or navigation missions other than general purpose office and storage space facilities.
- (c) In the case of ATON, VTS, or NDS sites, the Secretary may enter into multiyear lease agreements under subsection (a) of this section whenever the Secretary finds that—
 - (1) the use of such a lease agreement will promote the efficiency of the ATON, VTS, or NDS programs and will result in reduced total costs under the agreement;
 - (2) the minimum need for the real property or interest therein to be leased is expected to remain substantially unchanged during the contemplated lease period; and
 - (3) the estimates of both the cost of the lease and the anticipated cost avoidance through the use of a multiyear lease are realistic.

(Added Pub. L. 103–206, title III, $\S304(a)$, Dec. 20, 1993, 107 Stat. 2424; amended Pub. L. 104–324, title VII, $\S746(d)$, Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 3943; Pub. L. 108–293, title II, $\S212(a)$, Aug. 9, 2004, 118 Stat. 1036.)

AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108–293, \$212(a)(1), added section catchline and struck out former section catchline which read as follows: "Long-term lease authority for navigation and communications systems sites".

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108–293, §212(a)(2), inserted "special purpose facilities, including," after "automatic renewal clauses, for".

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 108–293, §212(a)(3), added subsec. (b), redesignated former subsec. (b) as (c), and substituted "In the case of ATON, VTS, or NDS sites, the" for "The" in introductory provisions.

1996—Pub. L. 104-324 added section catchline and struck out former section catchline.

§ 672a. Long-term lease authority for lighthouse property

(a) The Commandant of the Coast Guard may lease to non-Federal entities, including private individuals, lighthouse property under the administrative control of the Coast Guard for terms not to exceed 30 years. Consideration for the use and occupancy of lighthouse property leased under this section, and for the value of any utilities and services furnished to a lessee of such property by the Commandant, may consist, in whole or in part, of non-pecuniary remuneration including the improvement, alteration, restoration, rehabilitation, repair, and maintenance of the leased premises by the lessee. Section 321 of chapter 314 of the Act of June 30, 1932

 $(40~U.S.C.~303b)^1$ shall not apply to leases issued by the Commandant under this section.

(b) Amounts received from leases made under this section, less expenses incurred, shall be deposited in the Treasury.

(Added Pub. L. 107–295, title IV, §417(a), Nov. 25, 2002, 116 Stat. 2122.)

References in Text

Section 321 of chapter 314 of the Act of June 30, 1932 (40 U.S.C. 303b), referred to in subsec. (a), is section 321 of act June 30, 1932, ch. 314, title III, 47 Stat. 412, which was classified to section 303b of former Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, and was repealed and reenacted as section 1302 of Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, by Pub. L. 107–217, §§1, 6(b), Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1062, 1304.

§ 673. Designation, powers, and accountability of deputy disbursing officials

- (a)(1) Subject to paragraph (3), a disbursing official of the Coast Guard may designate a deputy disbursing official—
 - (A) to make payments as the agent of the disbursing official;
 - (B) to sign checks drawn on disbursing accounts of the Secretary of the Treasury; and
 - (C) to carry out other duties required under law.
- (2) The penalties for misconduct that apply to a disbursing official apply to a deputy disbursing official designated under this subsection.
- (3) A disbursing official may make a designation under paragraph (1) only with the approval of the Secretary of Homeland Security (when the Coast Guard is not operating as a service in the Navy).
- (b)(1) If a disbursing official of the Coast Guard dies, becomes disabled, or is separated from office, a deputy disbursing official may continue the accounts and payments in the name of the former disbursing official until the last day of the second month after the month in which the death, disability, or separation occurs. The accounts and payments shall be allowed, audited, and settled as provided by law. The Secretary of the Treasury shall honor checks signed in the name of the former disbursing official in the same way as if the former disbursing official had continued in office.
- (2) The deputy disbursing official, and not the former disbursing official or the estate of the former disbursing official, is liable for the actions of the deputy disbursing official under this subsection.
- (c)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), this section does not apply to the Coast Guard when section 2773 of title 10 applies to the Coast Guard by reason of the operation of the Coast Guard as a service in the Navy.
- (2) A designation of a deputy disbursing official under subsection (a) that is made while the Coast Guard is not operating as a service in the Navy continues in effect for purposes of section 2773 of title 10 while the Coast Guard operates as a service in the Navy unless and until the designation is terminated by the disbursing official who made the designation or an official authorized to approve such a designation under subsection (a)(3) of such section.

¹ See References in Text note below.