#### (d) Mails

The Board may use the United States mails in the same manner and under the same conditions as other departments and agencies of the United States.

## (e) Experts and consultants

Subject to such rules as may be prescribed by the Board, the Chairman may procure temporary and intermittent services under section 3109(b) of title 5, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the daily equivalent of the maximum annual rate of basic pay payable for GS-18 of the General Schedule.

(Pub. L. 97–425, title V, \$507, as added Pub. L. 100-202, \$101(d) [title III], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-104, 1329-121; Pub. L. 100-203, title V, \$5051, Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-250.)

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REFERENCES IN OTHER LAWS TO GS-16, 17, OR 18 PAY

References in laws to the rates of pay for GS-16, 17, or 18, or to maximum rates of pay under the General Schedule, to be considered references to rates payable under specified sections of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, see section 529 [title I, §101(c)(1)] of Pub. L. 101-509, set out in a note under section 5376 of Title 5.

## § 10268. Report

The Board shall report not less than 2 times per year to Congress and the Secretary its findings, conclusions, and recommendations. The first such report shall be submitted not later than 12 months after December 22, 1987.

(Pub. L. 97–425, title V,  $\S508$ , as added Pub. L. 100-202,  $\S101(d)$  [title III], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-104, 1329-121; Pub. L. 100-203, title V,  $\S5051$ , Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-250.)

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TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

For termination, effective May 15, 2000, of provisions of this section relating to reporting to Congress 2 times per year, see section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance, and the last item on page 186 of House Document No. 103-7.

## § 10269. Authorization of appropriations

Notwithstanding subsection (d) of section 10222 of this title, and subject to subsection (e) of such section, there are authorized to be appropriated for expenditures from amounts in the Waste Fund established in subsection (c) of such section such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 97–425, title V,  $\S509$ , as added Pub. L. 100-202,  $\S101(d)$  [title III], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-104, 1329-121; Pub. L. 100-203, title V,  $\S5051$ , Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-251.)

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## § 10270. Termination of Board

The Board shall cease to exist not later than 1 year after the date on which the Secretary begins disposal of high-level radioactive waste or spent nuclear fuel in a repository.

(Pub. L. 97–425, title V,  $\S510$ , as added Pub. L. 100-202,  $\S101(d)$  [title III], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-104, 1329-121; Pub. L. 100-203, title V,  $\S5051$ , Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-251.)

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# CHAPTER 109—WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH

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# § 10301. Congressional findings and declarations

The Congress finds and declares that—

- (1) the existence of an adequate supply of water of good quality for the production of materials and energy for the Nation's needs and for the efficient use of the Nation's energy and water resources is essential to national economic stability and growth, and to the well-being of the people;
- (2) the management of water resources is closely related to maintaining environmental quality, productivity of natural resources and agricultural systems, and social well-being;
- (3) there is an increasing threat of impairment to the quantity and quality of surface and groundwater resources;
- (4) the Nation's capabilities for technological assessment and planning and for policy formulation for water resources must be strengthened at the Federal, State, and local governmental levels;
- (5) there should be a continuing national investment in water and related research and technology commensurate with growing national needs:
- (6) it is necessary to provide for the research and development of technology for the conver-