

year from the date on which the determination becomes final. Without the necessity of a request for a new annual determination, the Commissioner shall give 60 days notice prior to making the determination. In determining prevailing wage rates, the Commissioner shall ascertain and consider, among other things, the applicable wage rates established by collective bargaining agreements.

[18-505.] 12-305. REVIEW AND DETERMINATION OF WAGE RATES.

(a) Any prospective bidder or offeror or his representative, any representative of any group of employers engaged in the particular type of construction involved, any representative of any classification of workmen, or the public body, within 10 days after the call for bids or proposals on the public work involved, may file with the Commissioner a verified petition, which sets forth the facts upon which it is based, to review the determination of any prevailing wage rate or rates. Within 2 days thereafter a copy of the petition shall be filed with the public body authorizing the public work. The Commissioner, upon notice to the petitioner, the public body authorizing the public work, and the recognized collective bargaining representatives for the particular classifications involved, and also to all persons entitled to receive notice pursuant to [subsection (a) of § 18-504 hereof] § 12-304(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE, shall institute an investigation and hold a public hearing within 20 days after the filing of such petition. The Commissioner at his discretion may hear each petition separately or consolidate for hearing any two or more petitions. At the hearing the Commissioner shall introduce in evidence the investigation it instituted and the other facts which were considered at the time of the original determination which formed the basis for his determination. The Commissioner or any interested parties thereafter may introduce any evidence that is material to the issues. Within 10 days of the conclusion of the hearing, the Commissioner shall make a determination and transmit it, in writing, to the public body and to the interested parties. Such determination shall be final.

(b) Upon receipt by the public body of the notice of the filing of such petition, the public body awarding the contract shall extend the closing date for the submission of bids until 5 days after the determination of the prevailing wage rates pursuant to this section and the publication of such findings.

(c) As to any matters of rate determination the applicable provisions of [Article 41, Subtitle 24, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, "Administrative Procedure Act",] TITLE 10, SUBTITLES 1 THROUGH 3, (ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT) OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE CODE shall prevail.

[18-506.] 12-306. POSTING NOTICE OF WAGE RATES; NO LIMITATION ON WAGE RATE OR HOURS OF WORK; REGULATIONS GENERALLY; PAYROLL RECORDS.