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# USCIS Update

## **New Application and Petition Fees Go Into Effect on July 30, 2007**

**WASHINGTON**—U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) reminds its customers that the agency's new fee schedule is effective on July 30, 2007. Applications or petitions postmarked or otherwise filed on or after that date must include the new fee.

USCIS announced the new fee schedule last month following a comprehensive review of nearly 4,000 public comments. Under the new schedule, application and petition fees will increase, on average, about 66 percent. Still, the schedule does include benefits for some families with children and also expands the availability of fee waivers and exemptions.

For more information concerning the final fee rule, we invite you to visit USCIS' Web site at [www.uscis.gov/21stCenturyService](http://www.uscis.gov/21stCenturyService). There, you can learn how the agency will *Build an Immigration Service for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* based upon this new fee structure.

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