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AE	National Archives and Records Administration	LR	National Labor Relations Board	
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C	Commerce Department	NAS	National Aeronautics and Space	
CC	Federal Communications Commission		Administration	
CR	Civil Rights Commission	NC	National Capital Planning Commission	
D	Defense Department	NCU	National Credit Union Administration	
E	Energy Department	NF	National Foundation on the Arts and	
ED	Education Department		the Humanities	
EP	Environmental Protection Agency	NMB	National Mediation Board	
FA	Fine Arts Commission	NS	National Science Foundation	
FCA	Farm Credit Administration	P	United States Postal Service	
FHF	Federal Housing Finance Agency	PE	Peace Corps	
FM	Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service	PM	Personnel Management Office	
FMC	Federal Maritime Commission	PR	President of the United States	
FR	Federal Reserve System Board of Governors	PREX	Executive Office of the President	
FT	Federal Trade Commission	PRVP	Vice President of the United States	
FTZ	Foreign-Trade Zones Board	RR	Railroad Retirement Board	
GA	Government Accountability Office	S	State Department	
GP	Government Publishing Office	SBA	Small Business Administration	
GS	General Services Administration	SE	Securities and Exchange Commission	
HE	Health and Human Services Department	SI	Smithsonian Institution	
HH	Housing and Urban Development Department	SSA	Social Security Administration	
HS	Homeland Security	T	Treasury Department (includes IRS)	
T	Interior Department	TD	Transportation Department	
ID	US Agency for International Development	TDA	US Trade and Development Agency	
ITC	International Trade Commission	VA	Veterans Affairs Department	
J	Justice Department	X, Y	Congress	
JU	Judiciary (Federal court system)	Y 3	Boards, Commissions, and Independent	
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