Press Office
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

News Release

May 25, 2005

USCIS ANNOUNCES NEW "GREEN CARD" FILING PROCEDURE

Customers to File I-90 Applications at the Los Angeles Lockbox beginning May 31, 2005

Washington, DC – U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) forwarded to the *Federal Register* today a notice announcing that starting May 31, 2005 aliens must mail applications to renew or replace Permanent Resident Cards, commonly known as "green cards," directly to the Los Angeles Lockbox. The Lockbox is a processing facility used by USCIS to accelerate the collection of applications and petitions. Today's announced change allows USCIS to improve the processing of Form I-90 (Application to Replace Permanent Resident Card) by electronically capturing data and images and by performing fee receipting and depositing from one central location, rather than at the local District Office, Service Center, or Application Support Center (ASC).

Beginning on May 31st, aliens filing a Form I-90, regardless of their state of residence, must mail those applications with an application fee of $185 and a biometrics fee of $70 to one of the following addresses:

For U.S. Postal Service (USPS) deliveries:

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
P.O. Box 54870
Los Angeles, CA 90054-0870

Or for non-USPS deliveries (e.g. private couriers):

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Attention: I-90
16420 Valley View Avenue
La Mirada, CA 90638

Applicants should NOT include their initial evidence and supporting documentation when submitting the Form I-90 to the Los Angeles Lockbox. All applicants will receive a notice for a biometrics processing appointment at an ASC and will submit their initial evidence during that appointment. All applicants will receive their biometrics appointment notice in the mail.

– USCIS –