

USCIS EXPANDS PREMIUM PROCESSING SERVICE TO INCLUDE CERTAIN I-140 FILINGS



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USCIS announced on August 18, 2006 that its Premium Processing Service would be expanding to include certain I-140 (Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker) filings. Click [here](#) to read the USCIS News Release.

The Premium Processing Service allows employers to pay a \$1,000 additional processing fee in order to obtain a decision (approval, denial or request for more evidence) within 15 days.

Beginning August 28, 2006, Premium Processing is available for I-140 filings selecting the following categories:

- Employment-Based Third Preference (EB-3) Professional category (professional jobs requiring a bachelor's degree); and
- Employment-Based Third Preference (EB-3) Skilled Worker category (skilled labor jobs requiring at least 2 years of education, training or work experience).

The Premium Processing Service does not cover I-140 Petitions involving the EB-3 Other Worker category or the Employment-Based First Preference (EB-1) or Employment-Based Second Preference (EB-2) categories.

Beginning August 28, 2006, all requests for Premium Processing must use a new Form I-907 (Request for Premium Processing Service). The new Form I-907 will have a revision date of "August 28, 2006 N". Earlier versions of the Form I-907 will not be accepted after August 28, 2006.

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