

with Inez E. De Jesus. Ms. De Jesus can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 954-423-7977, or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include the following: Various IRS issues.

Dated: July 25, 2006.

**John Fay,**

*Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Open Meeting of the Area 4 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel (Including the States of Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Tennessee, and Wisconsin)

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Area 4 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be conducted (via teleconference). The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comment, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Tuesday, August 22, 2006, at 11 a.m., Central Time.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mary Ann Delzer at 1-888-912-1227, or (414) 231-2360.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that a meeting of the Area 4 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Tuesday, August 22, 2006, at 11 a.m., Central Time via a telephone conference call. You can submit written comments to the panel by faxing the comments to (414) 231-2363, or by mail to Taxpayer Advocacy Panel, Stop 1006MIL, 211 West Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203-2221, or you can contact us at <http://www.improveirs.org>. This meeting is not required to be open to the public, but because we are always interested in community input we will accept public comments. Please contact Mary Ann Delzer at 1-888-912-1227 or (414) 231-2360 for dial-in information.

The agenda will include the following: Various IRS issues.

Dated: July 25, 2006.

**John Fay,**

*Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Open Meeting of the Area 3 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel (Including the States of Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Puerto Rico)

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Area 3 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be conducted (via teleconference). The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Tuesday, August 15, 2006 from 11:30 a.m. ET.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sallie Chavez at 1-888-912-1227, or 954-423-7979.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Area 3 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Tuesday, August 15, 2006, from 11:30 a.m. ET via a telephone conference call. If you would like to have the TAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or 954-423-7979, or write Sallie Chavez, TAP Office, 1000 South Pine Island Rd., Suite 340, Plantation, FL 33324. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made with Sallie Chavez. Ms. Chavez can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 954-423-7979, or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include: Various IRS issues.

Dated: July 25, 2006.

**John Fay,**

*Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Poverty Threshold

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) hereby gives notice that VA will not publish the annual weighted average poverty threshold figures in the

**Federal Register**, as previously announced. Instead, interested parties may obtain that information directly from the U.S. Census Bureau's Web site.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bill Russo, Chief, Regulations Staff, Compensation and Pension Service, Regulations Staff, Veterans Benefits Administration, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, telephone (202) 273-7210.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** VA published a final rule amending 38 CFR 4.16(a) in the **Federal Register** of August 3, 1990, 55 FR 31,579. The amendment provided that marginal employment generally shall be deemed to exist when a veteran's earned annual income does not exceed the amount established by the U.S. Census Bureau as the poverty threshold for one person. The provisions of 38 CFR 4.16(a) use the poverty threshold as a standard in defining marginal employment when considering total disability ratings for compensation based on unemployability of an individual. We stated we would publish annual poverty threshold figures as established by the U.S. Census Bureau. VA does not intend to continue that function because those poverty threshold figures are now available to the public directly from the U.S. Census Bureau's Web site at <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty/threshld.html>.

Approved: July 24, 2006.

**Gordon H. Mansfield,**

*Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory committee will be held at VA Center Office, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC on September 19-20, 2006. The session on September 19 will convene at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at 5 p.m. in Room 430 and on September 20, the session will convene at 8 a.m. and conclude at noon in Room 730. This meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Under Secretary of Health on all matters pertaining to geriatrics and gerontology

by assessing the capability of VA health care facilities to meet the medical, psychological, and function needs of older veterans and by evaluating VA facilities designated as Geriatric Research Education, and Clinical Centers (GRECCs).

The meeting will feature presentation topics that include VHA Poly Trauma Centers, the Office of Academic Affiliations, My Health-e-Vet, the 2005 White House Conference on Aging, the Employee Education System, and performanc oversight of the VA Geriatric Research, Education, and clinical Centers.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentation from the public. Interested parties can provide written comments for review by the Committee 10 days in advance of the meeting to Mrs. Marcia Holt-Delaney, Office of Geriatrics and Extended Care (114), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. Individuals who wish to attend the meeting should contact Mrs. Holt-Delaney, Program Analyst, at (202) 273-8540, at least seven days in advance of the meeting.

Dated: July 20, 2006.

By direction of the Secretary.

**E. Philip Riffin,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Privacy Act of 1974; Report of Matching Program**

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice of a computer-matching program.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with subsection (e)(12) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, (5 U.S.C. 552a) this notice announces that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), recipient agency, intends to conduct a recurring computer-matching program with the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB), source agency.

VA will match pension and parents' dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC) records with RRB recipient records. The goal of this match is to compare income status as reported to VA with benefit records maintained by RRB. The authority to conduct this match is 38 U.S.C. 5106.

**DATES:** VA will file a report of the subject matching agreement with the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate; the

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight of the House of Representatives, and the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OBM). The matching program will be effective as indicated in this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be submitted by: mail or hand-delivery to Director, Regulations Management (00REG1), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Room 1068, Washington, DC 20420; fax to (202) 273-9026; or e-mail to [VAregulations@mail.va.gov](mailto:VAregulations@mail.va.gov).

All comments received will be available for public inspection in the Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Room 1063B, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays). Please call (202) 273-9515 for an appointment.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pamela Liverman (212A), (757) 858-6148, ext. 107.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to subsection (o) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, (5 U.S.C. 552a), the RRB and VA have determined that a computer matching agreement is the most cost effective and efficient way to verify statements of applicants and recipients.

VA has an obligation to verify the income information submitted by individuals in receipt of income-dependent benefits. Title 38 U.S.C. 5106 requires that Federal agencies disclose this information to VA upon request. By comparing the information received through the matching program between VA and RRB on a recurring basis, VA will be able to make timely and more accurate adjustments in the benefits payable.

**A. Participating Agencies**

The U.S. Railroad Retirement Board and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

**B. Purpose of the Match**

The purpose of the matching agreement is to identify beneficiaries receiving VA income dependent benefits and RRB benefits, to update VA's master records and adjust VA income dependent benefit payments as prescribed by law. This agreement reflects both agencies' responsibilities under the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the regulations promulgated.

**C. Authority for Conducting the Matching Program**

The authority to conduct this match is 38 U.S.C. 5106.

**D. Records To Be Matched**

The VA records involved in the match are the VA system of records, Compensation, Pension and Education and Rehabilitation Records—VA (58 VA 21/22), first published at 41 FR 9294 (March 3, 1976), and last amended at 70 FR 34186 (June 13, 2005), with other amendments as cited therein.

The RRB records consist of information from the Railroad Retirement, Survivor, and Pensioner Benefit System, RRB-22, contained in the Privacy Act Issuances, 2001 Compilation Online via GPO Access.

**E. Description of Computer Matching Program**

The Department of Veterans Affairs plans to match records of veterans and surviving spouses and children who receive pension, and parents who receive DIC, with Railroad Retirement benefit records maintained by RRB. The match with RRB will provide VA with data from the RRB Research File of Retirement and Survivor Benefits.

VA will use this information to update the master records of VA beneficiaries receiving income dependent benefits and to adjust VA benefit payments as prescribed by law. Otherwise, information about a VA beneficiary's income is obtained only from reporting by the beneficiary. The proposed matching program will enable VA to ensure accurate reporting of income.

VA will provide RRB with a tape, which contains the names, VA claim numbers, social security numbers, verification codes and VA regional office identifiers. RRB will return a tape to VA, which contains information on RRB payment amounts in RRB's records.

**F. Inclusive Dates of the Matching Program**

The match will start no sooner than 30 days after publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**, or 40 days after copies of this Notice and the agreement of the parties is submitted to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget, whichever is later, and end not more than 18 months after the agreement is properly implemented by the parties. The involved agencies' Data Integrity Boards (DIB) may extend this match for 12 months provided the agencies certify to their DIBs, within three months of the ending date of the original match, that the matching program will be conducted without change and that the matching program has been conducted in compliance with the original matching program.

This computer-matching program is subject to public comment and review