

*ICR status:* This ICR is currently scheduled to expire on October 31, 2007. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the CFR, after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers in certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

*Abstract:* EPA's asbestos worker protection rule is designed to provide occupational exposure protection to state and local government employees who are engaged in asbestos abatement activities in states that do not have state plans approved by OSHA. The rule provides protection for public employees not covered by the OSHA standard from the adverse health effects associated with occupational exposure to asbestos. Specifically, the rule requires state and local governments to monitor employee exposure to asbestos, take action to reduce exposure to asbestos, monitor employee health, and train employees about asbestos hazards.

The rule includes a number of information reporting and recordkeeping requirements. State and local government agencies are required to provide employees with information about exposures to asbestos and the associated health effects. The rule also requires state and local governments to notify EPA before commencing any asbestos abatement project. State and local governments must maintain medical surveillance and monitoring records and training records on their employees, must establish a set of written procedures for respirator programs and must maintain procedures and records of respirator fit tests. EPA will use the information to monitor compliance with the asbestos worker protection rule. This request addresses these reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Responses to the collection of information are mandatory (see 40 CFR part 763, subpart G). Respondents may claim all or part of a notice confidential. EPA will disclose information that is covered by a claim of confidentiality only to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures in TSCA section 14 and 40 CFR part 2.

*Burden statement:* The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is

estimated to average 15.95 hours per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal Agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements which have subsequently changed; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

The ICR provides a detailed explanation of this estimate, which is only briefly summarized here:

*Estimated total number of potential respondents:* 25,312.

*Frequency of response:* On occasion; includes third-party notification.

*Estimated total average number of responses for each respondent:* 50.

*Estimated total annual burden hours:* 403,751 hours.

*Estimated total annual costs:* \$14,994,566. This includes an estimated burden cost of \$14,994,566 and an estimated cost of \$0 for capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

#### **IV. Are There Changes in the Estimates from the Last Approval?**

There is a decrease of 8,492 hours (from 412,243 hours to 403,751 hours) in the total estimated respondent burden compared with that identified in the ICR currently approved by OMB. This decrease principally reflects EPA's correction of the training burden for Class I and Class II competent persons that results from correctly annualizing the 40-hour training over five years rather than over a three-year period. While some changes were made in the calculations of the numbers of initial and periodic medical questionnaires that construction employees and supervisors complete, the net result of those changes has a very slight impact on the total annual burden hour estimate. This change is an adjustment.

#### **V. What is the Next Step in the Process for this ICR?**

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR

1320.12. EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

#### **List of Subjects**

Environmental protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: January 22, 2007.

**James B. Gulliford,**

*Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.*

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## **FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION**

### **Sunshine Act Notices**

**DATE & TIME:** Tuesday February 6, 2007 at 10 a.m.

**PLACE:** 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC.

**STATUS:** This meeting will be closed to the Public.

#### **ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:**

Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g, 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C. Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration. Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

#### **PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:**

Mr. Robert Biersack, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

**Mary W. Dove,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## **FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM**

### **Agency Information Collection Activities: Announcement of Board Approval Under Delegated Authority and Submission to OMB**

**AGENCY:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

**SUMMARY:** Background:

Notice is hereby given of the final approval of proposed information collection by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) under OMB delegated authority, as per 5 CFR 1320.16 (OMB Regulations on

Controlling Paperwork Burdens on the Public). Board-approved collections of information are incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information. Copies of the Paperwork Reduction Act Submission, supporting statements and approved collection of information instrument(s) are placed into OMB's public docket files. The Federal Reserve may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Federal Reserve Board Clearance Officer—Michelle Shore—Division of Research and Statistics, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, DC 20551 (202-452-3829)

OMB Desk Officer—Mark Menchik—Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, or e-mail to [mmenchik@omb.eop.gov](mailto:mmenchik@omb.eop.gov).

**Final approval under OMB delegated authority of the extension for three years, with revision, of the following report:**

*Report title:* The Government Securities Dealers Reports: Weekly Report of Dealer Positions (FR 2004A), Weekly Report of Cumulative Dealer Transactions (FR 2004B), Weekly Report of Dealer Financing and Fails (FR 2004C), Weekly Report of Specific Issues (FR 2004SI), Daily Report of Specific Issues (FR 2004SD), and Daily Report of Dealer Activity in Treasury Financing (FR 2004WI).

*Agency form number:* FR 2004.

*OMB Control number:* 7100-0003.

*Frequency:* Weekly, Daily.

*Reporters:* Primary dealers in the U.S. Government securities market.

*Annual reporting hours:* FR 2004A, 1,716 hours; FR 2004B, 2,288 hours; FR 2004C, 1,430 hours; FR 2004SI, 2,288 hours; FR 2004SD, 1,100 hours; FR 2004WI, 3,520 hours. Estimated average hours per response: FR 2004A, 1.5 hours; FR 2004B, 2.0 hours; FR 2004C, 1.25 hours; FR 2004SI, 2.0 hours; FR 2004SD, 2.0 hours; FR 2004WI, 1.0 hour.

*Number of respondents:* 22.

*General description of report:* This information collection is authorized pursuant to sections 11(a)(2), 14, and 19(c) of the Federal Reserve Act [12 U.S.C. 248(a)(2), 353-359, and 461(c)] and is required to obtain or retain a benefit. Individual respondent data are

regarded as confidential under the Freedom of Information Act [5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4) and (b)(8)].

*Abstract:* The FR 2004A collects weekly data on dealers' outright positions in Treasury and other marketable debt securities. The FR 2004B collects cumulative weekly data on the volume of transactions made by dealers in the same instruments for which positions are reported on the FR 2004A. The FR 2004C collects weekly data on the amounts of dealer financing and fails. The FR 2004SI collects weekly data on outright, financing, and fails positions in current or on-the-run issues. Under certain circumstances this information is also collected on a daily basis on the FR 2004SD for on-the-run and off-the-run securities. The FR 2004WI collects daily data on positions in to-be-issued Treasury coupon securities, mainly the trading on a when-issued delivery basis. Data from the FR 2004SI, SD and WI are available to the Interagency Working Group (IAWG), which includes the Department of the Treasury, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Federal Reserve Board, the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

*Current Actions:* On November 16, 2006, the Federal Reserve published a notice in the **Federal Register** (71 FR 66780) requesting public comment for 60 days on the extension, with revision, of the Government Securities Dealers Reports. The comment period for this notice expired on January 16, 2007. The Federal Reserve did not receive any comments.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 29, 2007.

**Jennifer J. Johnson,**

*Secretary of the Board.*

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**FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM**

**Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

**SUMMARY:** Background: On June 15, 1984, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) delegated to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) its approval authority under the Paperwork Reduction Act, as per 5 CFR 1320.16, to approve of and assign OMB control numbers to collection of information requests and requirements conducted or sponsored by the Board under conditions set forth

in 5 CFR 1320 Appendix A.1. Board-approved collections of information are incorporated into the official OMB inventory of currently approved collections of information. Copies of the Paperwork Reduction Act Submission, supporting statements and approved collection of information instruments are placed into OMB's public docket files. The Federal Reserve may not conduct or sponsor, and the respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection that has been extended, revised, or implemented on or after October 1, 1995, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**Request for comment on information collection proposals**

The following information collections, which are being handled under this delegated authority, have received initial Board approval and are hereby published for comment. At the end of the comment period, the proposed information collections, along with an analysis of comments and recommendations received, will be submitted to the Board for final approval under OMB delegated authority. Comments are invited on the following:

- a. Whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the Federal Reserve's functions; including whether the information has practical utility;
- b. The accuracy of the Federal Reserve's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collections, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- c. Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- d. Ways to minimize the burden of information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before April 2, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by FR 2051a,b (OMB No.7100-0012); FR MSD-4 (OMB No.7100-0100); FR MSD-5 (OMB No.7100-0101); or FR G-FIN and FR G-FINW OMB No.7100-0224) by any of the following methods:

- Agency Web Site: <http://www.federalreserve.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments at <http://www.federalreserve.gov/generalinfo/foia/ProposedRegs.cfm>.
- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- E-mail: [regs.comments@64.federalreserve.gov](mailto:regs.comments@64.federalreserve.gov).