

annuitant would receive if entitled to a like benefit from the Social Security Administration. Therefore, the public service pension (PSP) provisions apply to RRA annuities.

RRB Regulations pertaining to the collection of evidence relating to public service pensions or worker's compensation paid to spouse or survivor applicants or annuitants are found in 20 CFR 219.64c.

The RRB utilizes Form G-208, Public Service Pension Questionnaire, and Form G-212, Public Service Monitoring Questionnaire, to obtain information used to determine whether an annuity reduction is in order. The RRB proposes no changes to Form G-208. Non-burden impacting editorial and formatting changes are proposed to Form G-212. The RRB estimates the completion time for RRB Form G-208 at 16 minutes and G-212 at 15 minutes.

Our ICR describes the information we seek to collect from the public. If a respondent fails to complete the form(s), the RRB may be unable to pay them benefits. One response is required from a respondent.

Previous Requests for Comments: The RRB has already published the initial 60-day notice (72 FR 14628 on March 28, 2007) required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). That request elicited no comments.

Information Collection Request (ICR)

Title: Public Service Pension Questionnaires.

OMB Control Number: 3220-0136
Form(s) submitted: G-208, Public Service Pension Questionnaire; G-212, Public Service Monitoring Questionnaire.

Type of request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected public: Individuals or households.

Abstract: A spouse or survivor annuity under the Railroad Retirement Act may be subjected to a reduction for a public service pension. The questionnaires obtain information needed to determine if the reduction applies and the amount of such reduction.

Changes Proposed: The RRB proposes no changes to Form G-208 and minor, non-burden impacting editorial changes to Form G-212.

The burden estimate for the ICR is as follows:

Estimated annual number of respondents: 1,170.

Total annual responses: 1,170.

Total annual reporting hours: 294.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS:

Copies of the forms and supporting documents can be obtained from

Charles Mierzwa, the agency clearance officer (312-751-3363) or Charles.Mierzwa@rrb.gov.

Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60611-2092 or Ronald.Hodapp@rrb.gov and to the OMB Desk Officer for the RRB, at the Office of Management and Budget, Room 10230, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Charles Mierzwa,

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review, Request for Comments

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) is forwarding an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the following collection of information: 3220-0196, Investigation of Claim for Possible Days of Employment. Our ICR describes the information we seek to collect from the public. Review and approval by OIRA ensures that we impose appropriate paperwork burdens.

The RRB invites comments on the collection of information to determine (1) the practical utility of the collection; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden of the collection; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information that is the subject of collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of collections on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments to RRB or OIRA must contain the OMB control number of the ICR. For proper consideration of your comments, it is best if RRB and OIRA receive them within 30 days of publication date.

Under Section 1(k) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (RUIA), unemployment and sickness benefits are not payable for any day with respect to which remuneration is payable or accrues to the claimant. Also Section 4(a-1) of the RUIA provides that unemployment or sickness benefits are not payable for any day the claimant receives the same benefits under any law other than the RUIA. Under Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) regulations, 20 CFR 322.4(a), a

claimant's certification or statement on an RRB provided claim form that he or she did not work on any day claimed and did not receive income such as vacation pay or pay for time lost shall constitute sufficient evidence unless there is conflicting evidence. Further, under 20 CFR 322.4(b), when there is a question raised as to whether or not remuneration is payable or has accrued to a claimant with respect to a claimed day or days, investigation shall be made with a view to obtaining information sufficient for a finding.

The RRB utilizes Form ID-5S(SUP), Report of Cases for Which All Days Were Claimed During a Month Credited Per an Adjustment Report, to collect information about compensation credited to an employee during a period when the employee claimed either unemployment or sickness benefits from a railroad employer. The request is generated as a result of a computer match that compares data which is maintained in the RRB's RUIA Benefit Payment file with data maintained in the RRB's records of service. The ID-5S(SUP) is generated annually when the computer match indicates that an employee(s) of the railroad employer was paid unemployment or sickness benefits for every day in one or more months for which creditable compensation was adjusted due to the receipt of a report of creditable compensation adjustment (RRB FORM BA-4, OMB Approved 3220-0008) from their railroad employer.

The computer generated Form ID-5S(SUP) includes pertinent identifying information, the BA-4 adjustment process date and the claimed months in question. Space is provided on the report for the employer's use in supplying the information requested in the computer generated transmittal letter, Form ID-5S, which accompanies the report. To our knowledge no other agency uses forms similar to Form ID-5S(SUP). Completion is voluntary. One response is requested of each respondent. The RRB estimates that 80 responses are received annually and that the estimated completion time is 10 minutes for each response.

The RRB proposes non-burden impacting editorial changes to Form ID-5S(SUP) and Form ID-5S.

Previous Requests for Comments: The RRB has already published the initial 60-day notice (72 FR 8206-8207 on February 23, 2007) required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). That request elicited no comments.

Information Collection Request Details (ICR)

Title: Investigation of Claim for Possible Days of Employment.

OMB Control Number: 3220-0196.

Form(s) submitted: ID-5S(SUP).

Type of request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected public: Business or other for-profit.

Abstract: Under the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, unemployment or sickness benefits are not payable for any day in which remuneration is payable or accrues to the claimant. The collection obtains information about compensation credited to an employee during a period when the employee claimed unemployment or sickness benefits from their railroad employer.

Changes Proposed: The RRB proposes minor editorial and formatting changes to Form ID-5S(SUP) and its accompanying transmittal letter Form ID-5S.

The burden estimate for the ICR is as follows:

Estimated annual number of respondents: 80.

Total annual responses: 80.

Total annual reporting hours: 13.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS:

Copies of the forms and supporting documents can be obtained from Charles Mierzwa, the agency clearance officer (312-751-3363) or Charles.Mierzwa@rrb.gov.

Comments regarding the information collection should be addressed to Ronald J. Hodapp, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60611-2092 or Ronald.Hodapp@rrb.gov and to the OMB Desk Officer for the RRB, at the Office of Management and Budget, Room 10230, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Charles Mierzwa,

Clearance Officer.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; American Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change to Extend the Quarterly Options Series Pilot Program

July 9, 2007.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) ¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on June 28, 2007, the American Stock Exchange LLC (“Exchange” or “Amex”) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have been substantially prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange has designated this proposal as non-controversial under Section 19(b)(3)(A)(iii) of the Act ³ and Rule 19b-4(f)(6) thereunder,⁴ which renders the proposed rule change effective upon filing with the Commission. The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange seeks a one-year extension of the pilot program allowing the listing and trading of options series that expire at the close of business on the last business day of a calendar quarter (“Pilot Program”). The text of the proposed rule change is available on the Exchange’s Web site (<http://www.amex.com>), at the Exchange’s principal office, and at the Commission’s Public Reference Room.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of, and basis for, the proposed rule change and discussed any comments it received on the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in sections A, B, and C below, of

the most significant aspects of such statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization’s Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change**1. Purpose**

The Pilot Program, which began in July 2006, allows the Amex to list and trade options series that expire at the close of business on the last business day of a calendar quarter (“Quarterly Options Series”).⁵ The Exchange is proposing to extend the Pilot Program from July 10, 2007, through and including July 10, 2008.

The Exchange also proposes to incorporate certain changes to its rules regarding Quarterly Options Series as recently filed by the other options Exchanges and approved by the Commission.⁶ In this regard, the Exchange proposes to amend Rule 903C, Series of Stock Index Options, to provide that the strike price of each Quarterly Options Series will be fixed at a price per share, with at least two, but not more than five, strike prices above, and two, but not more than five, strike prices below the value of the underlying security at the time that a Quarterly Options Series is opened for trading on the Exchange. The Exchange further proposes to eliminate the restriction that it may only list strike prices for a Quarterly Options Series based on an underlying index that are within \$5 from the closing price of the underlying index on the preceding day. In place of this restriction, the Exchange proposes to include language in Rule 903C that would allow the Exchange to open additional strike prices of a Quarterly Options Series that are above (below) the value of the underlying index, provided that the total number of strike prices above (below) the value of the underlying index, including the additional strike prices, is no greater than five. The Exchange believes that so limiting the number of Quarterly Options Series based on an underlying index that may be opened ensures that the addition of the new series through this Pilot Program would have only a negligible impact on the Exchange’s and Option Price Reporting Authority’s (“OPRA”) quoting capacity. The

⁵ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 54137 (July 12, 2006), 71 FR 41283 (July 20, 2006) (“Pilot Program Release”).

⁶ See Exchange Act Release No. 54762 (November 16, 2006), 71 FR 67663 (November 22, 2006) (SR-CBOE-2006-93) (Order approving proposed rule change); see also Exchange Act Release No. 55301 (February 15, 2007), 72 FR 8238 (February 23, 2007) (SR-Phlx-2007-08) (Notice of filing and immediate effectiveness of proposed rule change).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(3)(A)(iii).

⁴ 17 CFR 240.19b-4(f)(6).