

OPM 1496 and OPM 1496A were needed for many years because there was a major revision in the law effective October 1, 1956; this affected the general information provided with both forms. However, we will no longer maintain a clearance of the OPM 1496, because the waning population affected by this form is fewer than ten respondents a year. We are requesting clearance of the revised OPM 1496A.

Approximately 2,800 OPM Forms 1496A will be completed annually. We estimate it takes approximately 1 hour to complete this form. The annual burden is 2,800 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, FAX (202) 418-3251 or via E-mail to MaryBeth.Smith-Toomey@opm.gov. Please include a mailing address with your request.

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—

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Brenda Aguilar, OPM Desk Officer, Office of Information & Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, NW., Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING

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Cyrus S. Benson, Team Leader, Publications Team, RIS Support Services/Support Group, (202) 606-0623.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL
MANAGEMENT**

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request for Review of a
Revised Information Collection: RI 92-
19**

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice

announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review of a revised information collection. RI 92-19, Application for Deferred or Postponed Retirement: Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS), is used by separated employees to apply for either a deferred or a postponed FERS annuity benefit.

Approximately 1,693 forms are completed annually. We estimate it takes approximately 60 minutes to complete the form. The annual estimated burden is 1,693 hours.

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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. PI2008-1; Order Nos. 48 and 49]

**Administrative Practice and Procedure,
Postal Service**

AGENCY: Postal Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This document informs the public that the Commission is seeking comments on proposed service standard

measurement and reporting systems for market dominant products. The proposal responds to provisions in a law enacted this year which require consultation between the Commission and the Postal Service on the establishment of service standards. The law also requires the use of an objective external measurement, unless the Commission approves an internal measurement system. Comments will assist the Commission in carrying out its legal obligations. This document identifies revised comment deadlines and reflects minor changes, reformatting, and footnote numbering.

DATES: Initial comments due January 18, 2008; reply comments due February 1, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, 202-789-6820 and stephen.sharfman@prc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Regulatory History*, 72 FR 34424 (June 22, 2007).

I. Background

Section 301 of the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act (PAEA), Public Law 109-435, 120 Stat. 3218, requires the Postal Service, in consultation with the Postal Regulatory Commission (Commission), to establish by regulation a set of modern service standards for market dominant products by December 20, 2007.¹ By statute, the service standards must be measured by an objective external performance measurement system, unless the Commission approves the use of an internal measurement system. 39 U.S.C. 3691(b)(1)(D) and (b)(2).

The Commission and Postal Service have held a series of meetings to discuss service performance measurement issues.² In response to those meetings, the Postal Service has submitted a formal proposal to the Commission setting forth several proposed systems for measuring the service performance of market dominant products.³ The

¹ Section 301 of the PAEA is codified at 39 U.S.C. 3691. The Postal Service published its proposed service standards October 17, 2007. See 72 FR 58946.

² During the course of developing service standards, the Postal Service has also discussed service performance measurement systems with workgroups of the Mailers Technical Advisory Committee.

³ See USPS Service Performance Measurement Proposal, received November 29, 2007 (Proposal), which is reproduced below. The Proposal is also available on the Commission's Web site, <http://www.prc.gov>.