

RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Proposed Data Collection Available for Public Comment and Recommendations

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 which provides opportunity for public comment on new or revised data collections, the Railroad Retirement Board will publish periodic summaries of proposed data collections.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's estimate of the burden of the collection of the information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the

information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden related to the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title and Purpose of Information Collection: Certification of Termination of Service and Relinquishment of Rights: OMB 3220-0016. Under Section 2(e)(2) of the Railroad Retirement Act (RRA), an age and service annuity, spouse annuity, or divorced spouse annuity cannot be paid unless the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) has evidence that the applicant has ceased railroad employment and relinquished rights to return to the service of a railroad employer. The procedure pertaining to the relinquishment of rights by an annuity applicant is prescribed in 20 CFR 216.24. Under Section 2(f)(6) of the RRA, earnings

deductions are required each month an annuitant works in certain nonrailroad employment termed Last Pre-Retirement Non-Railroad Employment.

Normally, the employee, spouse, or divorced spouse relinquish rights and certify that employment has ended as part of the annuity application process. However, this is not always the case. In limited circumstances, the RRB utilizes Form G-88, *Certification of Termination of Service and Relinquishment of Rights*, to obtain an applicant's report of termination of employment and relinquishment of rights. One response is required of each respondent. Responses are required to obtain or retain benefits. The RRB proposes no changes to Form G-88.

Estimate of Annual Respondent Burden

The estimated annual respondent burden is as follows:

Form No.	Annual responses	Time (min)	Burden (hrs)
G-88	3,600	6	360

Additional Information or Comments: To request more information or to obtain a copy of the information collection justification, forms, and/or supporting material, please call the RRB Clearance Officer at (312) 751-3363 or send an e-mail request to 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 send an e-mail to Ronald.Hodapp@RRB.GOV. Written comments should be received within 60 days of this notice.

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Title and Purpose of Information Collection

Availability for Work: OMB 3220-0164.

Under Section 1(k) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, unemployment benefits are not payable for any day for which the claimant is not available for work.

Under Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) regulation 20 CFR 327.5, "available for work" is defined as being willing and ready for work. This section further provides that a person is

"willing" to work if that person is willing to accept and perform for hire such work as is reasonably appropriate to his or her employment circumstances. The section also provides that a claimant is "ready" for work if he or she: (1) is in a position to receive notice of work and is willing to accept and perform such work, and (2) is prepared to be present with the customary equipment at the location of such work within the time usually allotted.

Under RRB regulation 20 CFR 327.15, a claimant may be requested at any time to show, as evidence of willingness to work, that he or she is making reasonable efforts to obtain work. In order to determine whether a claimant is: (a) available for work, and b) willing to work, the RRB utilizes Forms UI-38 and UI-38s to obtain information from the claimant and Form ID-8k from his union representative. One response is completed by each respondent. The RRB proposes minor non-burden impacting editorial changes to Form(s) UI-38, UI-38s and ID-8k.

Estimate of Annual Respondent Burden

The estimated annual respondent burden is as follows:

Form No.	Annual responses	Time (min)	Burden (hrs)
UI-38s: In person	250	6	25

Form No.	Annual responses	Time (min)	Burden (hrs)
By mail	500	10	83
UI-38	3,750	11.5	719
ID-8k	3,100	5	258
Total	7,600	1,085

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Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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Title and Purpose of Information Collection:

Application for Reimbursement for Hospital Insurance Services in Canada; OMB 3220-0086. Under section 7(d) of the Railroad Retirement Act (RRA), the RRB administers the Medicare program for persons covered by the railroad

retirement system. Payments are provided under section 7(d)4) of the RRA for medical services furnished in Canada to the same extent as for those furnished in the United States. However, payments for the services furnished in Canada are made from the Railroad Retirement Account rather than from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund, with the payments limited to the amount by which insurance benefits under Medicare exceed the amounts payable under Canadian Provincial plans.

Form AA-104, Application for Canadian Hospital Benefits Under Medicare—Part A, is provided by the RRB for use in claiming benefits for covered hospital services received in Canada. The form obtains information needed to determine eligibility for, and the amount of any reimbursement due the applicant. One response is requested of each respondent. Completion is required to obtain a benefit.

The RRB proposes non-burden impacting formatting and editorial changes to Form AA-104.

Number of respondents: 35

Estimated Completion Time: 10 minutes

Estimated annual burden hours: 6

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Boston Stock Exchange, Inc.; Order Approving Proposed Rule Change, as Modified by Amendment No. 2 Thereto, Relating to the Imposition of Fines for Minor Rule Violations

February 15, 2008.

On December 20, 2007, the Boston Stock Exchange, Inc. ("BSE" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² a proposed rule change to amend the Boston Options Exchange ("BOX") rules related to Contrary Exercise Advice violations. On January 7, 2008, the Exchange filed Amendment No. 1 to the proposed rule change.³ On January 10, 2008, the Exchange withdrew Amendment No. 1 and simultaneously filed Amendment No. 2 to the proposed rule change.⁴ The proposed rule change, as modified by Amendment No. 1, was published for comment in the **Federal Register** on January 14, 2008.⁵ The Commission received no comments regarding the proposal. This order approves the proposed rule change as modified by Amendment No. 2.

The Exchange proposes to increase and strengthen the sanctions imposed under its Minor Rule Violation Plan ("MRVP") on any member who fails to submit to the Exchange in a timely manner pursuant to BOX Rule Chapter X, Section 2(f), "Contrary Exercise Advice Violations" or exercise

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ Amendment No. 1 revised the proposed rule text to clarify how fines for third and subsequent offenses are imposed.

⁴ Amendment No. 2 retained the clarification (submitted in Amendment No. 1) regarding how fines for third and subsequent offenses are imposed and corrected a page numbering error. Therefore, Amendment No. 2 was technical in nature and therefore does not need to be published for comment.

⁵ See Securities Exchange Act Release No. 57108 (January 7, 2008), 73 FR 2294.