

based on volume or postage commitments made by the customers, or updated costing information, these differences do not affect the contracts' functional equivalency because the GEPS 1 contracts share similar cost attributes and methodology. *Id.* at 4–5.

The Postal Service also states the instant contract has minor differences in terms compared to other GEPS 1 contracts based on the individual mailers. These distinctions include provisions clarifying the correlation between regulatory oversight and contract expiration⁴ and the availability of other Postal Service products and services; exclusion of certain flat rate products from the mail qualifying for discounts; a simpler mailing notice requirement along with provisions to meet scheduling needs; mail tender location changes; specific liquidated damages terms; provisions clarifying the mailer's volume and revenue commitment calculation in the event of early termination; and provisions clarifying aspects subject to regulatory oversight or revisions to update terms or references from a prior contract. *Id.* at 5–6.

The Postal Service states that these differences related to a particular mailer are “incidental differences” and do not change the conclusion that these agreements are functionally equivalent in all substantive aspects. *Id.* at 7.

The Postal Service requests that this contract be included within the GEPS 1 product and be considered the baseline contract for determining functional equivalence for additional GEPS 1 contracts. *Id.*

II. Notice of Filing

The Commission establishes Docket No. CP2009–50 for consideration of matters related to the contract identified in the Postal Service's Notice.

Interested persons may submit comments on whether the Postal Service's contract is consistent with the policies of 39 U.S.C. 3632, 3622 or 3642. Comments are due no later than July 27, 2009. The public portions of these filings can be accessed via the Commission's Web site (<http://www.prc.gov>).

The Commission appoints Paul L. Harrington to serve as Public Representative in the captioned filings.

⁴ The Postal Service states that some of the contracts generally provide that if all applicable reviews have not been completed at the time an older contract expires, the mailer must pay published prices until some alternative becomes available. It seeks approval for the instant agreement prior to expiration of the current agreement.

III. Ordering Paragraphs

It is ordered:

1. The Commission establishes Docket No. CP2009–50 for consideration of the issues raised in this docket.

2. Comments by interested persons in these proceedings are due no later than July 27, 2009.

3. Pursuant to 39 U.S.C. 505, Paul L. Harrington is appointed to serve as officer of the Commission (Public Representative) to represent the interests of the general public in these proceedings.

4. The Secretary shall arrange for publication of this order in the **Federal Register**.

By the Commission.

Judith M. Grady,

Acting Secretary.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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 (RRB) 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: Request for Medicare Payment; OMB 3220–0131.

Under Section 7(d) of the Railroad Retirement Act, the RRB administers the Medicare program for persons covered by the railroad retirement system. The collection obtains the information needed by Palmetto GBA, the Medicare carrier for railroad retirement beneficiaries, to pay claims for payments under Part B of the Medicare program. Authority for collecting the information is prescribed in 42 CFR 424.32.

The RRB currently utilizes Forms G–740S, Patient's Request for Medicare

Payment, (along with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Form CMS–1500) to secure the information necessary to pay Part B Medicare Claims. One response is completed for each claim. Completion is required to obtain a benefit. The RRB proposes minor, non-burden impacting editorial changes to RRB Form G–740S. The RRB estimates annual respondent burden associated with RRB Form G–740s as follows:

Estimated number of responses: 100.

Estimated completion time per response: 15 minutes.

Estimated annual burden hours: 25.

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.

Charles Mierzwa,

Clearance Officer.

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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 two (2) Information Collection Requests (ICR) to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget (OMB). 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 proposed collections of information to determine (1) the practical utility of the collections; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden of the collections; (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.

1. *Title and purpose of information collection:* Non-Resident Questionnaire; 3220-0145.

Under Public Laws 98-21 and 98-76, benefits under the Railroad Retirement Act payable to annuitants living outside the United States may be subject to taxation under United States income tax laws. Whether the social security equivalent and non-social security equivalent portions of Tier I, Tier II, vested dual benefit, or supplemental annuity payments are subject to tax withholding, and whether the same or different rates are applied to each payment, depends on a beneficiary's citizenship and legal residence status, and whether exemption under a tax treaty between the United States and the country in which the beneficiary is a legal resident has been claimed. To effect the tax withholding, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) needs to know a nonresidents citizenship and legal residence status.

To secure the required information, the RRB utilizes Form RRB-1001, Nonresident Questionnaire, as a supplement to an application as part of the initial application process, and as an independent vehicle for obtaining the needed information when an

annuitant's residence or tax treaty status changes. Completion is voluntary. One response is requested of each respondent.

The RRB estimates that 1,300 Form RRB-1001's are completed annually. The completion time for Form RRB-1001 is estimated at 30 minutes.

Previous Requests for Comments: The RRB has already published the initial 60-day notice (74 FR 17895 on April 17, 2009) required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). That request elicited no comments.

Information Collection Request (ICR)

Title: Nonresident Questionnaire.

Form(s) submitted: RRB-1001.

OMB Control Number: 3220-0145.

Expiration date of current OMB clearance: 7/31/2009.

Type of request: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 1,300.

Total annual responses: 1,300.

Total annual reporting hours: 650.

Abstract: Under the Railroad Retirement Act, the benefits payable to an annuitant living outside the United States may be subject to withholding under Public Laws 98-21 and 98-76. The form obtains the information

needed to determine the amount to be withheld.

Changes Proposed: The RRB proposes no changes to Form RRB-1001.

2. *Title and Purpose of Information Collection:* Application for Survivor Insurance Annuities.

Under Section 2(d) of the Railroad Retirement Act (RRA), monthly survivor annuities are payable to surviving widow(er)s, parents, unmarried children, and in certain cases, divorced wives (husbands), mothers (fathers), remarried widow(er)s, and grandchildren of deceased railroad employees. The collection obtains the information required by the RRB to determine entitlement to and the amount of the annuity applied for.

The RRB currently utilizes Form(s) AA-17, Application for Widow(ers) Annuity, AA-17b Applications for Determination of Widow(er) Disability, AA-17cert, Application Summary and Certification, AA-18, Application for Mother's/Father's and Child's Annuity, AA-19, Application for Child's Annuity, AA-19a, Application for Determination of Child Disability, and AA-20, Application for Parent's Annuity to obtain the necessary information. One response is requested of each respondent. Completion is required to obtain benefits.

ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL RESPONDENT BURDEN

Form No.	Annual responses	Time (min)	Burden (hrs)
AA-17 (without assistance)	100	47	78
AA-17b (total)	300		270
(with assistance)	280	40	187
(without assistance)	20	50	17
AA-17cert	3,000	20	1,000
AA-18 (without assistance)	12	47	9
AA-19 (without assistance)	9	47	7
AA-19a (total)	300		230
(with assistance)	285	45	214
(without assistance)	15	65	16
AA-20 (without assistance)	1	47	1
Total	4,022		1,529

Previous Requests for Comments: The RRB has already published the initial 60-day notice (74 FR 18408 on April 22, 2009) required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). That request elicited no comments.

Information Collection Request (ICR)

Title: Application for Survivor Insurance Annuities.

OMB Control Number: 3220-0030.

Form(s) submitted: AA-17, AA-17b, AA-17cert, AA-18, AA-19, AA-19a, AA-20.

Type of request: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Affected public: Individuals or households.

Abstract: Under Section 2(d) of the Railroad Retirement Act, monthly survivor annuities are payable to surviving widow(er)s, parents, unmarried children, and in certain cases, divorced wives (husband), mothers (fathers), remarried widow(er)s and grandchildren of deceased railroad employees. The collection obtains

information needed by the RRB for determining entitlement to and amount of the annuity applied for.

Changes Proposed: The RRB proposes no changes to the forms in the information collection.

The burden estimate for the ICR is as follows:

Estimated annual number of respondents: 4,022.

Total annual responses: 4,022.

Total annual reporting hours: 1,529.

Additional Information or Comments: Copies of the form and supporting

documents can be obtained from Charles Mierzwa, the agency clearance officer at (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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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Disaster Declaration #11813 and #11814]

Illinois Disaster #IL-00021

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of an Administrative declaration of a disaster for the State of Illinois dated 07/16/2009.

Incident: Severe storms and tornadoes.

Incident Period: 05/08/2009.

DATES: *Effective Date:* 07/16/2009.

Physical Loan Application Deadline Date: 09/14/2009.

Economic Injury (EIDL) Loan Application Deadline Date: 04/16/2010.

ADDRESSES: Submit completed loan applications to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A. Escobar, Office of Disaster Assistance, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street, SW., Suite 6050, Washington, DC 20416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that as a result of the Administrator's disaster declaration, applications for disaster loans may be filed at the address listed above or other locally announced locations.

The following areas have been determined to be adversely affected by the disaster:

Primary Counties: Jackson, Williamson.
Contiguous Counties:

Illinois: Franklin, Johnson, Perry,
Pope, Randolph, Saline, Union.
Missouri: Perry.

The Interest Rates are:

Homeowners with Credit Available Elsewhere	4.875
Homeowners without Credit Available Elsewhere	2.437
Businesses with Credit Available Elsewhere	6.000
Businesses & Small Agricultural Cooperatives without Credit Available Elsewhere	4.000
Other (Including Non-Profit Organizations) with Credit Available Elsewhere	4.500
Businesses and Non-Profit Organizations without Credit Available Elsewhere	4.000

The number assigned to this disaster for physical damage is 11813 B and for economic injury is 11814 O.

The States which received an EIDL Declaration # are Illinois, Missouri.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers 59002 and 59008)

Dated: July 16, 2009.

Karen G. Mills,
Administrator.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549-0213.

Extension:

Form N-4, SEC File No. 270-282, OMB Control No. 3235-0318.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") is soliciting comments on the collection of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for extension and approval.

The collection of information is entitled: "Form N-4 (17 CFR 239.17b and 274.11c) under the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a *et seq.*) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-1 *et seq.*) registration statement of separate accounts organized as unit investment trusts." Form N-4 is the form used by insurance company separate accounts organized as unit investment trusts that offer variable annuity contracts to register as investment companies under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and/

or to register their securities under the Securities Act of 1933. The primary purpose of the registration process is to provide disclosure of financial and other information to investors and potential investors for the purpose of evaluating an investment in a security. Form N-4 also permits separate accounts organized as unit investment trusts that offer variable annuity contracts to provide investors with a prospectus containing the information required in a registration statement prior to the sale or at the time of confirmation or delivery of the securities. The estimated annual number of respondents filing on Form N-4 is 104 for those filing initial registration statements and 1,360 for those filing post-effective amendments. The proposed frequency of response is annual. The estimate of the total annual reporting burden of the collection of information is approximately 278.5 hours per initial filing and 197.25 hours for a post-effective amendment, for a total of 297,224 hours ((104 initial registration statements × 278.5 hours) + (1,360 post-effective amendments × 197.25 hour)). Providing the information required by Form N-4 is mandatory. Responses will not be kept confidential. Estimates of the burden hours are made solely for the purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act, and are not derived from a comprehensive or even a representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted in writing within 60 days of this publication.

Please direct your written comments to Charles Boucher, Director/CIO, Securities and Exchange Commission, C/O Shirley Martinson, 6432 General Green Way, Alexandria, VA 22312; or send an e-mail to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov.