

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment and Training Administration**

[OMB Control Number 1205–0457]

**Comment Request for Information Collection for Form ETA–9127, Foreign Labor Certification Quarterly Activity Report; Revision****AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Labor.**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor (DOL), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed.

Currently, the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments concerning the collection of data about Form ETA–9127, *Foreign Labor Certification Quarterly Activity Report* (OMB Control Number 1205–0457), which expires May 31, 2015. The Form ETA–9127 solicits information from State Workforce Agencies (SWAs) who are recipients of foreign labor certification grants about program-related activities performed by SWA staff in accordance with the specific fiscal year annual plans. These activities include reviewing and transmitting H–2A and H–2B job orders, conducting H–2A prevailing wage and prevailing practice surveys, and performing H–2A related housing inspections of facilities offered to agricultural workers.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section below on or before May 4, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to Brian Pasternak, National Director of Temporary Programs, Office of Foreign Labor Certification, Room C–4312, Employment & Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210. Telephone number: 202–693–3010 (this is not a toll-free number). Individuals with hearing or

speech impairments may access the telephone number above via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1–877–889–5627 (TTY/TDD). Fax: 202–693–2768. Email: [ETA.OFLC.Forms@dol.gov](mailto:ETA.OFLC.Forms@dol.gov) subject line: ETA–9127. A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained free of charge by contacting the office listed above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Background**

Under the foreign labor certification programs administered by ETA, SWAs are funded through annually reimbursable grants to conduct certain activities that support the processing of applications for temporary labor certification filed by U.S. employers in order to hire foreign workers in the H–2B or H–2A visa categories to perform agricultural or nonagricultural services or labor. Under the grant agreements, SWAs must review and transmit through the intrastate and interstate systems job orders submitted by employers in order to recruit U.S. workers prior to filling the job openings with foreign workers.

In order to effectively monitor the administration of foreign labor certification activities by the SWAs, the Department requires the SWAs to report their workloads related to these activities on a quarterly basis. This collection of information is conducted through Form ETA–9127, *Foreign Labor Certification Quarterly Activity Report*. This report is critical for ensuring accountability and for future program management, including budget and workload management. ETA intends to revise the information collection by clarifying the ETA–9127 instructions and making minor changes to the PRA disclosure on the form.

**II. Review Focus**

DOL is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate 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;
- evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated,

electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**III. Current Actions**

*Type of Review:* Revision.  
*Title:* Form ETA–9127, *Foreign Labor Certification Quarterly Activity Report*.  
*OMB Number:* 1205–0457.  
*Affected Public:* State, local or tribal governments.  
*Form(s):* ETA–9127.  
*Total Annual Respondents:* 54.  
*Annual Frequency:* Quarterly.  
*Total Annual Responses:* 216.  
*Average Time per Response:* 2 hours.  
*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 432.  
*Total Annual Burden Cost for Respondents:* \$9,910.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the ICR; they will also become a matter of public record. Commenters are encouraged not to submit sensitive information (e.g., confidential business information or personally identifiable information such as a social security number).

**Portia Wu,**

*Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Labor.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Office of the Secretary****Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Job Innovation and Accelerator Challenge Grants Evaluation****ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor (DOL) is submitting the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) sponsored information collection request (ICR) proposal titled, “Job Innovation and Accelerator Challenge Grants Evaluation,” to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval for use in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). Public comments on the ICR are invited.

**DATES:** The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before April 6, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation;

including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free of charge from the RegInfo.gov Web site at [http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref\\_nbr=201412-1205-003](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=201412-1205-003) (this link will only become active on the day following publication of this notice) or by contacting Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

Submit comments about this request by mail or courier to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL-ETA, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503; by Fax: 202-395-5806 (this is not a toll-free number); or by email: [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov). Commenters are encouraged, but not required, to send a courtesy copy of any comments by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor—OASAM, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attn: Departmental Information Compliance Management Program, Room N1301, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210; or by email: [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This ICR seeks PRA authority for the Job Innovation and Accelerator Challenge (JIAC) Grants Evaluation information collection that would support an evaluation of the Jobs and Innovation Accelerator Challenge (JIAC) grants. The main objective of the evaluation is to build a better understanding of how multiple Federal and regional agencies work together on these grant initiatives, how the ETA grant is used, training and employment-related outcomes that the clusters are able to achieve, lessons learned through implementation, and plans for sustainability. This ICR seeks PRA authority from the OMB to conduct site visit interviews and grantee and partner surveys.

This proposed information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a

collection of information if the collection of information does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. For additional information, see the related notice published in the **Federal Register** on October 27, 2014 (79 FR 63945).

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB ICR Reference Number 201412-1205-003. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate 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;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Agency:* DOL-ETA.

*Title of Collection:* Job Innovation and Accelerator Challenge Grants Evaluation.

*OMB ICR Reference Number:* 201412-1205-003.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households; State, Local, and Tribal Governments; and Private Sector—businesses and other for-profits and not-for-profit institutions.

*Total Estimated Number of Respondents:* 525.

*Total Estimated Number of Responses:* 525.

*Total Estimated Annual Time Burden:* 284 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden:* \$0.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

Dated: February 27, 2015.

**Michel Smyth,**

*Departmental Clearance Officer.*

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## MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

#### AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETINGS:

Mississippi River Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 9:00 a.m., March 23, 2015.

**PLACE:** On board MISSISSIPPI V at City Front, New Madrid, Missouri.

**STATUS:** Open to the public.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: (1)

Summary report by President of the Commission on national and regional issues affecting the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Commission programs and projects on the Mississippi River and its tributaries; (2) District Commander's overview of current project issues within the Memphis District; and (3) Presentations by local organizations and members of the public giving views or comments on any issue affecting the programs or projects of the Commission and the Corps of Engineers.

**TIME AND DATE:** 9:00 a.m., March 24, 2015.

**PLACE:** On board MISSISSIPPI V at Beale Street Landing, Memphis, Tennessee.

**STATUS:** Open to the public.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: (1)

Summary report by President of the Commission on national and regional issues affecting the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Commission programs and projects on the Mississippi River and its tributaries; (2) District Commander's overview of current project issues within the Memphis District; and (3) Presentations by local organizations and members of the public giving views or comments on any issue affecting the programs or projects of the Commission and the Corps of Engineers.

**TIME AND DATE:** 1:00 p.m., March 25, 2015.

**PLACE:** On board MISSISSIPPI V at City Front, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

**STATUS:** Open to the public.

#### MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: (1)

Summary report by President of the Commission on national and regional issues affecting the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Commission programs and projects on the Mississippi River and its tributaries; (2) District Commander's overview of current project issues within the Vicksburg District; and (3) Presentations by local organizations and members of the public giving views or comments on any issue affecting the programs or projects of the Commission and the Corps of Engineers.