DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
[OMB Number 1140–00046]
Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection of eComments Requested; Extension of a Currently Approved Collection; Certification on Agency Letterhead Authorizing Purchase of Firearm for Official Duties of Law Enforcement Officer

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 60-day notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Department of Justice (DOJ), will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection (IC) is also being published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until February 27, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Scott, Firearms Enforcement Specialist, Firearms Industry Programs Branch, by mail at 99 New York Avenue NE, Mail Stop 6N–518, Washington, DC 20226, email at fjh-informationcollection@atf.gov, or telephone at (202) 648–7190.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

• 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;
• Evaluate whether and, if so, how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; 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.

Overview of This Information Collection

1. Type of Information Collection: Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.

2. The Title of the Form/Collection: Certification on Agency Letterhead Authorizing Purchase of Firearm for Official Duties of Law Enforcement Officer.

3. The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection: Form number: None.


4. Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:

Primary: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Other (if applicable): Federal Government.

Abstract: The letter is used by a law enforcement officer to purchase firearms to be used in his/her official duties from a licensed firearm dealer anywhere in the country. The letter shall state that the firearm is to be used in the official duties of the officer and that he/she has not been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence.

5. An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: An estimated 50,000 respondents will utilize the letter template associated with this information collection. It will take each