

Although the regulations require reporting, there is no prescribed format for reporting this information to FHWA. Thus, FHWA receives varied reports that often lack the critical information necessary to evaluate whether the metrics identified in the State DOT's SOW have been met, and the number and demographic breakdown of DBEs that have participated in the program. Without this data provided in a manner that can easily be converted into national reports, FHWA is unable to provide meaningful stewardship and oversight or to measure the effectiveness of DBE/SS Programs nationally. The national picture created by this report will enable HCR to indicate notable implementation efforts and improve its deployment of technical assistance to FHWA divisions offices. Also, standardized data will improve FHWA's ability to meaningfully respond to stakeholder inquiries, including Congress, regarding program accomplishments. Further, with standardized data of program results, FHWA can better support requests for additional funding.

The information required to populate the DBE/SS SOW template is based on existing requirements found in 23 CFR 230, subpart C; therefore, State DOTs should have the information to populate the SOW readily available. The information will merely be entered in an electronic fillable form as opposed to submitting a paper copy. The electronic system will also directly pre-populate the State's Annual Accomplishment Report with the metrics identified in the State's SOW. The information FHWA proposes to collect in its DBE/SS Accomplishment Report is based on existing reporting requirements found in 23 CFR 230, subpart B and the State DOT's individual detailed statement of work; therefore, State DOTs should have this information readily available. In addition, the fillable format will streamline the State's reporting process by eliminating the States' need to duplicate language from the SOW into the Annual Report.

While the requirements will not change, use of the SOW template and Accomplishment Report form will benefit State DOTs and FHWA by making the submissions more uniform in size and content, streamlining the submission and review process, and pair the performance metrics more easily with their accomplishments. By providing the SOW template along with this reporting format, FHWA aims to improve its stewardship and oversight of the DBE/SS Program, while ensuring State DOTs are effectively administering

these discretionary grants for the benefit of DBEs.

Respondents: State Departments of Transportation Agencies responsible for submitting DBE/SS Statement of Work for the purpose of increasing the capacity and to improve the overall business practices of DBEs.

Frequency: DBE/SS SOW are submitted annually (upon funding availability); Accomplishment Reports are submitted every year by July 31st.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: The estimated number of hours for each of the 52 recipients to compile and submit the requested data is estimated to be no more than four employee hours annually.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: The estimated total annual burden for 53 recipients is 212 hours annually.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burdens; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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Jazmyne Lewis,

Information Collection Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0846]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: VA Financial Services Center (VA-FSC) Vendor File Request Form

AGENCY: Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will

submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0846."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maribel Aponte, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics (008), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 266-4688 or email maribel.aponte@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0846" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521.

Title: VA Financial Services Center (VA-FSC) Vendor File Request Form (VA Form 10091).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0846.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The authorizing statute for this data collection falls under 31 U.S.C. 3701 and Public Law 104-134, Section 31001, Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996. The mission of the Nationwide Vendor File Division of the Department of Veterans Affairs—Financial Services Center (VA-FSC) is to add, modify, or delete vendor records in the Financial Management Services (FMS) vendor file. The VA-FSC FMS vendor file controls aspects of when, where, and how vendors are paid. There are currently more than 2.4 million active vendor records in FMS.

The VA-FSC Vendor File Request Form, VA Form 10091, was previously created to streamline the data required to establish a vendor record from multiple sources into a single form. VA-FSC developed a web-based version of the 10091, in addition to the paper version, and will fully transition to use of the web-based form. VA now seeks a routine three-year renewal of the previous OMB PRA clearance. VA Form 10091 will be used throughout the VA to gather essential payment data from vendors (commercial, individuals, Veterans, employees, etc.) to establish or update vendor records in order to process electronic payments through the

ACH network to the vendor's financial institution.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 88 FR 184 on September 25, 2023, pages 65775 and 65776.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 37,500 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Once annually.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 150,000.

By direction of the Secretary.

Maribel Aponte,

VA PRA Clearance Officer, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0655]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Residency Verification Report—Veterans and Survivors

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed

information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. Refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0655.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 38 U.S.C. 107.

Title: Residency Verification Report—Veterans and Survivors (FL21–914).

OMB Control Number: 2900–0655.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Form Letter 21–914 is primarily used to gather information which is necessary to verify whether a veteran or beneficiary who is receiving benefits at the full-dollar rate based on U.S. residency continues to meet the residency requirements. Continued eligibility to benefits at the full-dollar rate cannot be determined without complete information about a veteran's or beneficiary's residency.

No substantive changes have been made to this form. However, the burden estimate has decreased due to (1) a decrease in the number of minutes it takes to fill out the form, and (2) the respondent total has also decreased since the previous approval due to the estimated number of receivables averaged over the past year.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 88 FR 67454 on Friday, September 29, 2023.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 75 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 5 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 900.

By direction of the Secretary.

Maribel Aponte,

VA PRA Clearance Officer, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0786]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Department of Veterans (VA) Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) Longitudinal Study Survey Questionnaire; Withdrawn

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: On Tuesday, November 28, 2023, the Veterans Benefits Administration (VA), published a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection “Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) Longitudinal Study Survey Questionnaire”. This notice was published in error; therefore, this document corrects that error by withdrawing this FR notice, document number 2023–26141.

DATES: As of November 28, 2023, the FR notice published at 88 FR 227 on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, is withdrawn.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maribel Aponte, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics (008), 810 Vermont Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 266–4688 or email maribel.aponte@va.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FR Doc. 2023–26141, published on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, is withdrawn by this notice.

By direction of the Secretary.

Maribel Aponte,

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