

PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

OMB Approval of Agency Information Collection Activity; Termination of Single Employer Plans; Missing Participants; PBGC Forms 500-501, 600-602; Payment of Premiums; PBGC Form 1-ES and PBGC Form 1 (Including Schedule A)

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of OMB approval.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Office of Management and Budget has extended its approval of the collections of information contained in the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation's regulations on Termination of Single Employer Plans, Missing Participants, and Payment of Premiums and implementing forms and instructions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harold J. Ashner, Assistant General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, 1200 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005-4026, 202-326-4024. (For TTY/TDD, call the Federal relay service at 1-800-877-8339 and ask to be connected to 202-326-4024.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB has extended its approval through December 31, 2000, under OMB control number 1212-0036, of the collection of information requirements contained in (1) the PBGC's new regulations on Termination of Single Employer Plans and Missing Participants, 29 CFR Parts 4041 and 4050 (62 FR 60424, November 7, 1997) and implementing forms and instructions (PBGC Forms 500-501 and 600-602), and (2) the PBGC's existing regulations on Termination of Single Employer Plans and Missing Participants and implementing forms and instructions.

OMB also has extended its approval through December 31, 2000, under OMB control number 1212-0009, of the collection of information requirements contained in the PBGC's regulation on Payment of Premiums, 29 CFR Part 4007, and implementing forms and instructions (PBGC Form 1-ES and PBGC Form 1 (including Schedule A)).

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.

Issued in Washington, D.C. this 22nd day of December, 1997.

David M. Strauss,

Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request for Reclearance of Expiring Information Collections: OPM Form 1496 and 1496A

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) will submit to the Office of Management and Budget a request for reclearance of an information collection. OPM Forms 1496 and 1496A, Application for Deferred Retirement (Separations before October 1, 1956) and Application for Deferred Retirement (Separations on or after October 1, 1956) are used by eligible former Federal employees to apply for a deferred Civil Service annuity. Two forms are needed because there was a major revision in the law effective October 1, 1956; this affects the general information provided with the forms.

Comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Office of Personnel Management, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Approximately 3,000 OPM Forms 1496 and 1496A will be completed annually. We estimate it takes approximately 1 hour to complete the form. The annual burden is 3,000 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Jim Farron on (202) 418-3208, or E-mail to jmfarron@opm.gov.

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received on or before March 2, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—Lorraine E. Dettman, Chief, Operations Support Division,

Retirement and Insurance Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 3349, Washington, DC 20415.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION CONTACT: Mary Beth Smith-Toomey, Budget & Administrative Services Division, (202) 606-0623, U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,
Director.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Review of a New Information Collection: Form RI 25-51

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget a request for review of a new information collection. RI 25-51, Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) Survivor Annuitant Express Pay Application for Death Benefits, will be used by the Civil Service Retirement System solely to pay benefits to the widow(er) of an annuitant. The application is intended for use in immediately authorizing payments to an annuitant's widow or widower, based on the report of death, when our records show the decedent elected to provide benefits for the applicant.

Comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Office of Personnel Management, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Approximately 22,000 RI 25-51 forms will be completed annually. We estimate it takes approximately 30 minutes to complete the form. The annual estimated burden is 11,000 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Jim Farron on (202) 418-3208, or E-mail to jmfarron@opm.gov

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received by March 2, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to: Lorraine E. Dettman, Chief, Operations Support Division, Retirement and Insurance Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 3349, Washington, DC 20415.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION—CONTACT: Mary Beth Smith-Toomey, Budget & Administrative Services Division, (202) 606-0623.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,

Director.

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL
MANAGEMENT**

**Proposed Collection; Comment
Request for Revision of Information
Collection: Form RI 20-63**

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management will submit to the Office of Management and Budget a request for reclearance of the following information collection. RI 20-63, Survivor Annuity Election for a Spouse, is an enclosure covered by a letter explaining why OPM is sending the form and is used by the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) to provide information and a survivor benefits election opportunity to annuitants who have notified the CSRS that they have married.

There are estimated to be 2,400 respondents for RI 20-63 and 200 for the cover letter. It is estimated to take 45 minutes to complete the form with a burden of 1,800 hours and 10 minutes to complete the letter, which gives a burden of 34 hours. The total burden for RI 20-63 is 1,834 hours.

Comments are particularly invited on:—whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Office of Personnel Management, and whether it will have practical utility;—whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on

valid assumptions and methodology; and

—ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

For copies of this proposal, contact Jim Farron on (202) 418-3208, or E-mail to jmfarron@mail.opm.gov

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received by March 2, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—Lorraine E. Dettman, Chief, Operations Support Division, Retirement and Insurance Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 3349, Washington, DC 20415-0001.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION—CONTACT: Mary Beth Smith-Toomey, Budget & Administrative Service Division, (202) 606-0623.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,

Director.

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL
MANAGEMENT**

**Proposed Collection; Comment
Request for Revision of Information
Collection: Forms RI 20-64 and RI 20-64A**

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget a request for revision of the following information collection. RI 20-64, Former Spouse Survivor Annuity Election, is used by the Civil Service Retirement System to provide information about the amount of annuity payable after a survivor reduction and obtain a survivor benefits election form from annuitants who are eligible to elect to provide survivor benefits for a former spouse. RI 20-64A, Information On Electing A Survivor Annuity For Your Former Spouse, is a pamphlet that provides important information to retirees under the Civil Service Retirement System who want to

provide a survivor annuity for a former spouse.

Approximately 30 RI 20-64 forms are completed annually. Each form takes about 45 minutes to complete. The annual estimated burden is 23 hours. Comments are particularly invited on:

—whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Office of Personnel Management, and whether it will have practical utility;—whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and—ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

For copies of this proposal, contact Jim Farron on (202) 418-3208, or E-mail to jmfarron@mail.opm.gov.

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received by March 2, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—Lorraine E. Dettman, Chief, Operations Support Division, Retirement and Insurance Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 3349, Washington, DC 20415-0001.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION CONTACT: Mary Beth Smith-Toomey, Budget & Administrative Service Division, (202) 606-0623.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

Janice R. Lachance,

Director.

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL
MANAGEMENT**

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request for Review of a
Revised and Expiring Information
Collection: Form RI 95-4**

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-103, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for review of a revised & expiring information collection. RI 95-