

Personnel Management, and whether it will have practical utility;

—Whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection 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 use of the appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, or E-mail to mbtoomey@opm.gov.

**DATES:** Comments on this proposal should be received on or before April 20, 1999.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Phyllis R. Pinkney, Management Analyst, Budget & Administrative Services Division, (202) 606-0623.

Office of Personnel Management.

**Janice R. Lachance,**

*Director.*

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### Submission for OMB Emergency Clearance of a Revised Information Collection: SF 2817

**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) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for emergency clearance of a revised information collection: SF 2817, Life Insurance Election. SF 2817, Life Insurance Election, is used by employees to enroll in or change their enrollment in the Federal Employee's Group Life Insurance Program. The Federal Employees Life Insurance Improvement Act (Pub. L. 105-311), enacted on October 30, 1998, necessitated changes to the SF 2817. That Act allowed employees to elect from one to five multiples of Option C—Family life insurance. In the past, employees either had Option C or they

did not—there were no multiples to elect.

We estimate 100 forms are completed annually by assignees. Each form takes approximately 15 minutes to complete. The annual estimated burden is 25 hours.

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**DATES:** Comments on this proposal should be received on or before February 24, 1999. OMB will have 5 calendar days to act after the close of this **Federal Register** Notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Send or deliver comments to—

Laura Lawrence, Senior Insurance Benefits Specialist, Insurance Operations Division, Retirement and Insurance Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 3415, Washington, DC 20415

and

Joseph Lackey, OPM Desk Officer, Office of Information & Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management & Budget, New Executive Office Building, NW, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503

#### FOR INFORMATION REGARDING

#### ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION CONTACT:

Phyllis R. Pinkney, Budget & Administrative Services Division, (202) 606-0623.

Office of Personnel Management.

**Janice R. Lachance,**

*Director.*

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## POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

### Postal Facility Visit

**AGENCY:** Postal Rate Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of Commission visit.

**SUMMARY:** Postal Rate Commission members and staff will visit the Postal Service's Brentwood facility (in northeast Washington, DC) to observe experimental methods of accounting for certain business reply mail (BRM). The visit will further the Commission's understanding of these alternatives to the Service's manual accounting system.

**DATES:** The visit will take place in late February. See Supplementary Information for details.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, Postal Rate Commission, Suite 300, 1333 H Street NW., Washington, DC 20268-0001, 202-789-6820.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Since mid-1997, a limited number of mailers have been participating in a formal experiment testing two alternatives to the Postal Service's longstanding manual method of weighing, rating and billing nonletter-sized BRM pieces. These methods are referred to as "reverse manifest" and "weight averaging." A special set of experimental fees applies to the use of the alternative methods.

The experiment was authorized for two years, as requested by the Service in Docket No. MC97-1. This authority expires June 7, 1999. The Service may seek permanent changes in classifications and fees related to use of the alternative methods either prior to, or after, the scheduled expiration.

The date of the visit has not been determined, but is expected to be scheduled for a weekday in late February. Persons interested in learning the exact date should contact Mr. Sharfman.

Dated: February 12, 1999.

**Margaret P. Crenshaw,**

*Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Existing Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Filings and Information Services, 450 5th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549.

Extension: Rule 10f-3 [17 CFR 270.10f-3], SEC File No. 270-237, OMB Control No. 3235-0226.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") is soliciting comments on the collections of information summarized below. The Commission plans to submit these existing collections of information to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") for extension and approval.

Section 10(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 [15 U.S.C. 80a-10(f)] (the "Act" or "Investment Company Act") prohibits a registered investment company ("fund") from purchasing any security during an underwriting or selling syndicate if the fund has certain relationships with a