FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 273-7079 or FAX (202) 275-5947.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: Request for Supplemental Information on Medical and Nonmedical Applications, VA Form Letter 29-615.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0131. Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 29–615 used by the insured to apply for new issue, reinstatement or change of plan on Government Life Insurance policies.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 3.000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 20 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Number of Respondents:

Dated: March 11, 2005. By direction of the Secretary.

Loise Russell,

Director, Records Management Service. [FR Doc. E5-1196 Filed 3-17-05; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8320-01-P

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0024]

Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995. Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to authorize VA to deduct premiums, loans and/or lien payment. **DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed

collection of information should be received on or before May 17, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20S52), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail: irmnkess@vba.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0024" in any correspondence.

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Title: Insurance Deduction Authorization (For Deduction from Benefit Payments), VA Form 29-888.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0024. Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 29-888 is completed by the insured or their representative to authorize VA to deduct payment for premiums, loans and/or liens on his or her insurance contract from their VA compensation check.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 622 hours. Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Number of Respondents:

Dated: March 11, 2005. By direction of the Secretary.

Loise Russell,

Director, Records Management Service. [FR Doc. E5-1197 Filed 3-17-05; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8320-01-P

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0422]

Agency Information Collection **Activities Under OMB Review**

AGENCY: Office of Management, Department of Veterans Affairs. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Office of Management (OM), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted 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: it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 18, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF

THE SUBMISSION CONTACT: Denise McLamb, Information Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0422."

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VĀ's Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0422" in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-21), Federal agencies must obtain