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#### Larry W. Minor,

Associate Administrator for Policy and Program Development.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

# Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation Advisory Board; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. App. I), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (SLSDC), to be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (EDT) on Thursday, January 22, 2009, at the Corporation's Administration Headquarters, Suite W32-300, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC. The agenda for this meeting will be as follows: Opening Remarks; Consideration of Minutes of Past Meeting; Quarterly Report; Old and New Business; Closing Discussion; Adjournment.

Áttendance at the meeting is open to the interested public but limited to the space available. With the approval of the Administrator, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing further information should contact, not later than Friday, January 16, 2009, Anita K. Blackman, Chief of Staff, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; 202–366–0091.

Any member of the public may present a written statement to the Advisory Board at any time.

Issued at Washington, DC, on December 29, 2008.

### Collister Johnson, Jr.,

Administrator.

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# DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0005]

Agency Information Collection (Application for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation by Parent(s), (Including Accrued Benefits and Death Compensation, When Applicable)) Activities Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, 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 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; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before February 4, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through http://www.Regulations.gov or to VA's OMB 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. 2900–0005" in any correspondence.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Denise McLamb, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461– 7485, FAX (202) 273–0443 or e-mail denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900–0005."

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Application for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation by Parent(s), (Including Accrued Benefits and Death Compensation, When Applicable), VA Form 21–535. OMB Control Number: 2900–0005.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Surviving parent(s) of veterans whose death was service connected complete VA Form 21–535 to apply for dependency and indemnity compensation, death compensation, and/or accrued benefits. The information collected is used to determine the claimant's eligibility for death benefits sought.

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 on October 21, 2008, at pages 62588–62589.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 4,320 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 1 hour 12 minutes. Frequency of Response: One time. Estimated Number of Respondents: 3.600.

Dated: December 23, 2008.

By direction of the Secretary.

#### Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Enterprise Records Service. [FR Doc. E8–31284 Filed 1–2–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8320–01–P

# DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0701]

Proposed Information Collection (Bereaved Family Member Satisfaction Survey) Activity: Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Health

Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Health Administration (VHA), 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 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 assess the quality of care provided to veterans prior to his or her death.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before March 6, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at http://www.Regulations.gov; or to Mary Stout, Veterans Health Administration (193E1), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420; or e-mail: mary.stout@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0701" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the FDMS.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Stout (202) 461–5867 or Fax (202) 273–9381.

**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, VHA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VHA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA'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: Bereaved Family Member Satisfaction Survey, VA Form 10-21081(NR).

OMB Control Number: 2900-0701. Type of Review: Extension of a currently approve collection.

Abstract: The data collected on VA Form 10-21081(NR) will be use to survey family members of deceased veterans on their satisfaction with the quality care provided to their loved one prior to his or her death at a VA facility.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,650 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One-time. Estimated Number of Respondents: 9,900.

Dated: December 23, 2008. By direction of the Secretary.

### Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Enterprise Records Service. [FR Doc. E8-31285 Filed 1-2-09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8320-01-P

### **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900-0265]

**Proposed Information Collection** (Educational/Vocational Counseling Application) Activity: 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 currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to determine an applicant's entitlement to counseling services.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before March 6, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at http://www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M35), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail to

nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900–0265" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 461-9769 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: Educational/Vocational Counseling Application, VA Form 28-

OMB Control Number: 2900-0265. Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Claimants complete VA Form 28-8832 to apply for counseling services. VA provides personal counseling as well as counseling in training and career opportunities. The information collected will be used to determine the claimant's eligibility for counseling.

Affected Public: Individuals or

households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 2,550 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 5 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One-time. Estimated Number of Respondents:

Dated: December 24, 2008. By direction of the Secretary.

# Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Enterprise Records Service. [FR Doc. E8-31286 Filed 1-2-09: 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8320-01-P

### **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900-New (VA Form 21-0820)]

**Proposed Information Collection** (Report of General Information) **Activity: 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 new collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed as evidence to determine a claimant's entitlement to benefits.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before March 6, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at http://www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M35), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC