

**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Bureau of the Public Debt****Proposed Collection: Comment Request**

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently the Bureau of the Public Debt within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Affidavit of Forgery for United States Savings Bonds.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before August 13, 2003, to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Bureau of the Public Debt, Vicki S. Thorpe, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328, or [Vicki.Thorpe@bpd.treas.gov](mailto:Vicki.Thorpe@bpd.treas.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Vicki S. Thorpe, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328, (304) 480-6553.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Affidavit of Forgery for United States Savings Bonds.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0067.

*Form Number:* PD F 0974.

*Abstract:* The information is requested to establish whether the registered owner signed the request for payment or if the signature was a forgery.

*Current Actions:* None.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 3,000.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 15 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 750.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will

be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: June 9, 2003.

**Vicki S. Thorpe,**

*Manager, Graphics, Printing, and Records Branch.*

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**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before August 13, 2003, to be assured of consideration.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Claim For Relief on Account of the Nonreceipt of United States Savings Bonds.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0098.

*Form Number:* PD F 3062-4.

*Abstract:* The information is used to support a request for substitute savings bonds in lieu of savings bonds not received.

*Current Actions:* None.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Affected Public:* Individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 30,000.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 10 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 5,010.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: June 9, 2003.

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