

with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: October 30, 2008.

Angela C. Arrington,
IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.

Federal Student Aid

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Documents Associated with the Notice of Terms and Conditions of Purchase of Loans under the Ensuring Continued Access to Student Loans Act of 2008.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit (primary); Not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 14,465.

Burden Hours: 25,750.

Abstract: As one of several measures intended to address concerns about the availability of loans under the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program during the 2008–2009 academic year, the Ensuring Continued Access to Student Loans Act of 2008 (ECASLA), and the Extension of Student Loan Purchase Authority which extended the program through the 2009–2010 academic year, provides the Department of Education (the Department) with temporary authority to purchase student loans from FFEL Program lenders. The

documents included in this collection set forth the terms and conditions of the loan purchase program authorized by ECASLA and its extension, and collect the information from lenders that is required by the Department to administer the program.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3878. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202–4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202–401–0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests.

SUMMARY: The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507(j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by November 13, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Sharon Mar, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or faxed to (202) 395–6974.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. ED invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: October 31, 2008.

Angela C. Arrington,
IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, Office of Postsecondary Education.

Type of Review: New.

Title: Higher Education Disaster Relief, Pre-Application Information Form.

Abstract: The Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009 (Pub. L. 110–329) provides \$15 million in awards to institutions of higher education located in areas affected by hurricanes, floods, and other natural disasters occurring during 2008 for which the President declared a major disaster under Title IV

of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1974. Emergency clearance is requested for the Pre-Application form, which is needed to collect information to determine the size of institutional awards under the Higher Education Disaster Relief program. Congress expects awards to be made within 60 days of the enactment of Public Law 110-329. The law was enacted September 30, 2008. Refer to Status of Appropriations Bills at <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/approp/app09.html>.

Additional Information: The U.S. Department of Education (the Department) requests that OMB grant an emergency clearance by November 13, 2008 for the application package for the FY 2009 Higher Education Disaster Relief program. On September 30, 2008 in the Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act (2009), Congress provided \$15 million for awards to institutions of higher education located in areas affected by hurricanes, floods, or other natural disasters occurring during 2008, for which the President declared a major disaster under title IV of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act of 1974. The law provides that the Department make awards within 60 days of enactment, or by November 30, 2008.

The Department intends to follow the same procedures used in FY 2006 and FY 2007 to allocate funds in the Hurricane Education Recovery Awards grant program. The proposed information collection for the 2009 Higher Education Disaster Relief program is nearly identical to that approved in 2006 and 2007, and would include the following quantitative measures:

- Revenue lost as a result of natural disasters;
- Expenses already incurred by the institution in remediation of the effects of 2008 natural disasters;
- Estimated construction costs to repair or replace campus buildings damaged by the natural disaster; and the
- Estimated amount to be reimbursed by insurance or other Federal agency, foundation or charitable outlays for disaster relief.

The Department will publish a separate Draft Closing date notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the application package. A Pre-Application Information Form will be made available for download on the Department's Web site, requesting that applicants e-mail responses to a special Department mailbox (HEDR@ed.gov) for processing. Institutional allotments from

the \$15 million appropriation will be based on these responses. Once notified of their allotments, applicants will submit additional information through Grants.gov using already approved standard forms. Information specific to each registered Grants.gov user, including all postsecondary institutions, is already available in the Grants.gov system.

Frequency: One time.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 50.

Burden Hours: 75.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3896. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and Request for OMB Review and Comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance, a proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed collection will collect information on refineries with a crude distillation capacity of 50,000 barrels a day that have been shutdown, had a physical or cyber attack, or had an emergency shutdown of a major unit or process that may significantly reduce its

production of transportation and/or heating fuels.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection must be received on or before December 5, 2008. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, please advise the OMB Desk Officer of your intention to make a submission as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at 202-395-4650.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to the:

DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503; and to Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (*Attn:* Comments on Refinery Emergency Disruption and Incident Report), OE-30, Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585;

or by fax at 202-586-2623, or by e-mail at Alice.Lippert@hq.doe.gov.

Alternatively, Alice Lippert may be contacted by telephone at 202-586-9600.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for information should be directed to Alice Lippert. Revised copies of the survey collection instrument and instructions can be accessed at: <http://www.oe.netl.doe.gov/refdisrupt.aspx>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains:

- (1) OMB No.: New;
- (2) Information Collection Request Title: Refinery Emergency Disruption and Incident Report;

- (3) Type of Request: New collection;
- (4) Purpose: The Refinery Emergency Disruption and Incident Report collects

information on petroleum refinery incidents and disturbances for DOE's use in fulfilling its overall national security and energy emergency management responsibilities. The information will also be used by DOE for emergency response and analytical purposes. Since the pre-survey consultation notice was published, **Federal Register** notice 73 FR 37451, the proposal for the collection of actions taken by the refinery, units or processes affected, and the estimated production impact (Schedule 2) has been withdrawn. Additionally the reporting requirements for filing the form have changed. Respondents are required to submit the form within one hour between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. (local time where incident has occurred)