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During CY2006, the most recent year for which data is available, El Salvador's exports of the sugar and syrup goods and sugar-containing products described above exceeded its imports of those goods by 224,867 metric tons according to data published by the Salvadoran Central Bank. Based on this data, USTR determines that El Salvador's trade surplus is 224,867 metric tons. Therefore, in accordance with U.S. Note 25(b)(ii) to subchapter XXII of HTS chapter 98, the aggregate quantity of goods of El Salvador that may be entered duty-free under subheading 9822.05.20 in CY2008 is 24,960 metric tons (i.e., the amount set out in that note for El Salvador for 2008).

During CY2006, the most recent year for which data is available, Guatemala's exports of the sugar and syrup goods and sugar-containing products described above exceeded its imports of those goods by 1,023,416 metric tons according to data published by the World Trade Atlas. Based on this data, USTR determines that Guatemala's trade surplus is 1,023,416 metric tons. Therefore, in accordance with U.S. Note 25(b)(ii) to subchapter XXII of HTS chapter 98, the aggregate quantity of goods of Guatemala that may be entered duty-free under subheading 9822.05.20 in CY2008 is 33,280 metric tons (i.e., the amount set out in that note for Guatemala for 2008).

During CY2006, the most recent year for which data is available, Honduras' exports of the sugar and syrup goods and sugar-containing products described above exceeded its imports of those goods by 31,449 metric tons according to data published by the Central Bank of Honduras. Based on this data, USTR determines that Honduras' trade surplus is 31,449 metric tons. Therefore, in accordance with U.S. Note 25(b)(ii) to subchapter XXII of HTS chapter 98, the aggregate quantity of goods of Honduras that may be entered duty-free under subheading 9822.05.20 in CY2008 is 8,320 metric tons (i.e., the amount set out in that note for Honduras for 2008).

During CY2006, the most recent year for which data is available, Nicaragua's exports of the sugar and syrup goods and sugar-containing products

described above exceeded its imports of those goods by 58,575 metric tons according to data published by the World Trade Atlas. Based on this data, USTR determines that Nicaragua's trade surplus is 58,575 metric tons. Therefore, in accordance with U.S. Note 25(b)(ii) to subchapter XXII of HTS chapter 98, the aggregate quantity of goods of Nicaragua that may be entered duty-free under subheading 9822.05.20 in CY2008 is 22,880 metric tons (i.e., the amount set out in that note for Nicaragua for 2008).

**James Murphy,**

*Assistant United States Trade Representative.*  
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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Review of Revised Information Collection: RI 38-31

**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) intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review of a revised information collection. RI 38-31, Request for Information About Your Missing Payment, is sent in response to a notification by an individual of the loss or non-receipt of a payment from the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund. This form requests the information needed to enable OPM to trace and/or reissue payment. Missing payments may also be reported to OPM.

Comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Office of Personnel Management, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information 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 the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Approximately 8,000 reports of missing payments are processed each year. Of these, we estimate that 7,800 are reports of missing checks. Approximately 200 reports of missing checks are reported using RI 38-31 and

7,600 are reported by telephone. A response time of ten minutes per form reporting a missing check is estimated; the same amount of time is needed to report the missing checks or electronic funds transfer (EFT) payments using the telephone. The annual burden for reporting missing checks is 1,300 hours. The remaining 200 reports relate to EFT payments. No missing EFT payments are reported using RI 38-31. The annual burden for reporting missing EFT payments is 33 hours. The total burden is 1,333 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, FAX (202) 418-3251 or via E-mail to *MaryBeth.Smith-Toomey@opm.gov*. Please include a mailing address with your request.

**DATES:** Comments on this proposal should be received within 60 calendar days from the date of this publication.

**ADDRESSES:** Send or deliver comments to—Ronald W. Melton, Deputy Assistant Director, Retirement Services Program, Center for Retirement and Insurance Services, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW., Room 3305, Washington, DC 20415-3500.

### FOR INFORMATION REGARDING

**ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION—CONTACT:** Cyrus S. Benson, Team Leader, Publications Team, RIS Support Services/Support Group, (202) 606-0623.

Office of Personnel Management.

**Howard Weizmann,**

*Deputy Director.*

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request for Revision of a Currently Approved Collection: OPM Form 1496A

**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 (OMB) a request for revision of a currently approved collection. OPM Form 1496A, Application for Deferred Retirement (Separations on or after October 1, 1956) is used by eligible former Federal employees to apply for a deferred Civil Service annuity. Form

OPM 1496 and OPM 1496A were needed for many years because there was a major revision in the law effective October 1, 1956; this affected the general information provided with both forms. However, we will no longer maintain a clearance of the OPM 1496, because the waning population affected by this form is fewer than ten respondents a year. We are requesting clearance of the revised OPM 1496A.

Approximately 2,800 OPM Forms 1496A will be completed annually. We estimate it takes approximately 1 hour to complete this form. The annual burden is 2,800 hours.

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**DATES:** Comments on this proposal should be received within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication.

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Ronald W. Melton, Deputy Assistant Director, Retirement Services Program, Center for Retirement and Insurance Services, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW., Room 3305, Washington, DC 20415-3500; and

Brenda Aguilar, OPM Desk Officer, Office of Information & Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, NW., Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

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U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL  
MANAGEMENT**

**Submission for OMB Review;  
Comment Request for Review of a  
Revised Information Collection: RI 92-  
19**

**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 (OMB) a request for review of a revised information collection. RI 92-19, Application for Deferred or Postponed Retirement: Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS), is used by separated employees to apply for either a deferred or a postponed FERS annuity benefit.

Approximately 1,693 forms are completed annually. We estimate it takes approximately 60 minutes to complete the form. The annual estimated burden is 1,693 hours.

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**FOR INFORMATION REGARDING**

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U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

**Howard Weizmann,**

*Deputy Director.*

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**POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[Docket No. PI2008-1; Order Nos. 48 and 49]

**Administrative Practice and Procedure,  
Postal Service**

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document informs the public that the Commission is seeking comments on proposed service standard

measurement and reporting systems for market dominant products. The proposal responds to provisions in a law enacted this year which require consultation between the Commission and the Postal Service on the establishment of service standards. The law also requires the use of an objective external measurement, unless the Commission approves an internal measurement system. Comments will assist the Commission in carrying out its legal obligations. This document identifies revised comment deadlines and reflects minor changes, reformatting, and footnote numbering.

**DATES:** Initial comments due January 18, 2008; reply comments due February 1, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments electronically via the Commission's Filing Online system at <http://www.prc.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stephen L. Sharfman, General Counsel, 202-789-6820 and [stephen.sharfman@prc.gov](mailto:stephen.sharfman@prc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Regulatory History*, 72 FR 34424 (June 22, 2007).

**I. Background**

Section 301 of the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act (PAEA), Public Law 109-435, 120 Stat. 3218, requires the Postal Service, in consultation with the Postal Regulatory Commission (Commission), to establish by regulation a set of modern service standards for market dominant products by December 20, 2007.<sup>1</sup> By statute, the service standards must be measured by an objective external performance measurement system, unless the Commission approves the use of an internal measurement system. 39 U.S.C. 3691(b)(1)(D) and (b)(2).

The Commission and Postal Service have held a series of meetings to discuss service performance measurement issues.<sup>2</sup> In response to those meetings, the Postal Service has submitted a formal proposal to the Commission setting forth several proposed systems for measuring the service performance of market dominant products.<sup>3</sup> The

<sup>1</sup> Section 301 of the PAEA is codified at 39 U.S.C. 3691. The Postal Service published its proposed service standards October 17, 2007. See 72 FR 58946.

<sup>2</sup> During the course of developing service standards, the Postal Service has also discussed service performance measurement systems with workgroups of the Mailers Technical Advisory Committee.

<sup>3</sup> See USPS Service Performance Measurement Proposal, received November 29, 2007 (Proposal), which is reproduced below. The Proposal is also available on the Commission's Web site, <http://www.prc.gov>.