

Worker Adjustment Assistance on March 13, 1996, applicable to all workers of Bausch and Lomb, 465 Paul Road, Rochester, New York, and 1 Bausch and Lomb Place, Rochester, New York. The notice was published in the Federal Register on April 3, 1996 (61 FR 14820).

At the request of the company, the Department reviewed the certification for workers of the subject firm. New information provided by the company shows that worker separations have occurred at the subject firm's 1400 North Goodman Street, Rochester, New York location. The workers are engaged in the production of sunglass frames for Bausch and Lomb manufacturing facilities.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of the subject firm who were adversely affected by increased imports of sunglass frames. Accordingly, the Department is amending the certification to cover the workers of Bausch and Lomb, 1400 North Goodman Street, Rochester, New York.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-31,960 and TA-W-31,960A is hereby issued as follows:

All workers of Bausch and Lomb, 465 Paul Road, Rochester, New York (TA-W-31,960), Bausch and Lomb, 1 Bausch and Lomb Place, Rochester, New York (TA-W-31,960A), and Bausch and Lomb, 1400 North Goodman Street, Rochester, New York (TA-W-31,960B) who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after February 23, 1995 are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 7th day of June 1996.

Curtis K. Kooser,

Acting Program Manager, Policy and Reemployment Services, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.

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Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA), Disaster Payment Activities Under the "Stafford Disaster Relief Act"

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and State agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program

helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed one year extension of previous approval by OMB of the attached ETA Form 90-2, Disaster Payment Activities Under the "Stafford Disaster Relief Act." A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before August 20, 1996.

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
 - evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
 - enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
 - minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.
- ADDRESSES:** Mary Ann Wyrsh, Director, Unemployment Insurance Service, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S4231, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210, telephone number (202) 219-7831 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The monthly report on Disaster Payment Activities under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (the "act") provides vital information on the nature and scope of activities performed in administering provisions of sections 410 and 423 of the act. Its workload items and final

disaster reports are also used with fiscal reports to estimate the cost of administering the act. (Previously cleared for use thru OMB by ETA under OMB No. 1205-0234.)

The President is directed by the act to provide Disaster Unemployment Assistance through agreements with States, which in his judgement, have an adequate system for administering such assistance through existing State agencies. Without the data obtained from the report, the Employment and Training Administration would have no grasp on the program, as its is administered by the States.

II. Current Actions

The data obtained from the reports are used by at least three organizational units within the Employment and Training Administration (ETA). The Unemployment Insurance Service uses the data for evaluation of State agency performance on making payments and providing claimant services and for making required reports. The Employment Services uses the data to project funding needs in the areas of counseling, referrals to suitable work opportunities and suitable training. The Office of Financial and Administrative Management (OFAM) uses the data in accounting for the financial management of the program funds and fund transfers. In addition, the data are also used by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), to whom the President has delegated the responsibility by Executive Order No. 12148, for administering the act. As previously indicated, without the data obtained from the report, the Department would have no grasp on the program, as it is administered by the States.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: ETA Form 90-2, Disaster Payment Activities Under the "Stafford Disaster Relief Act."

OMB Number: 1205-0234.

Affected Public: Individuals/State Government.

Cite/Reference/Form/etc: ETA Form 90-2, Disaster Payment Activities Under the "Stafford Disaster Relief Act".

Total Respondents: 50.

Frequency: Six months per annum.

Total Responses: 300.

Average Time per Response: ¼ hour.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 75.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.00.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$10,300 annually.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be

summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: June 6, 1996.

Mary Ann Wyrsh,

*Director, Unemployment Insurance Service,
Employment and Training Administration.*

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Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Public Comment and Recommendations; Extension of ETA Summaries Unemployment Insurance (UI) Trust Fund Activities

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(C) (2) (A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed revision and extension of the UI ETA Summaries UI Trust Fund Activities.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the employee listed below in the contact section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 20, 1996. Written comments should:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions use;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to

respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses

ADDRESSES: James E. Herbert, Unemployment Insurance Program Specialist, Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Room C 4514, 200 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210. (202) 219-5216 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 303(a)(4) of the Social Security Act (SSA) and Section 3304(a)(3) of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA) require that all money received in the unemployment fund of a State be paid immediately to the Secretary of Treasury to the credit of the Unemployment Trust Fund (UTF). This is the "immediate deposit" standard.

Section 303(a)(5) of the SSA and Section 3304(a)(4) of the FUTA require that all money withdrawn from the UTF be used solely for the payment of unemployment compensation, exclusive of the expenses of administration. This is the "limited withdrawal" standard.

Federal law (section 303(a)(6) of the SSA) gives the Secretary of Labor the authority to require the reporting of information deemed necessary to assure State compliance with the provisions of the SSA.

Under this authority, the Secretary of Labor requires the following reports to monitor State compliance with the immediate deposit and limited withdrawal standards:

ETA 2112: UI Financial Transactions Summary, Unemployment Fund
ETA 8401: Monthly Analysis of Benefit Payment Account
ETA 8405: Monthly Analysis of Clearing Account
ETA 8413: Income—Expense Analysis UC Fund, Benefit Payment Account
ETA 8414: Income—Expense Analysis UC Fund, Clearing Account
ETA 8403: Reed Act

These reports are submitted to the Unemployment Insurance Service (UIS) which uses them for the following purposes:

- Monitoring cash flows into and out of the UTF to determine State compliance with the immediate deposit and limited withdrawal standards.
- Proper accounting for unemployment funds. This is an integral part of the Department's consolidated financial statements. The

UTF is the single largest asset on the Department's balance sheet.

- Reconciliation with U.S. Treasury records.

- Development of UI research and actuarial reports.

These reports have been submitted monthly by States for the past several years, recently in an electronic format which has reduced mail and storage costs. There is a viable system for the preparation and electronic delivery of the reports. Since the reports are essential to the Department's financial and program operations and are consonant with the Secretary of Labor's oversight responsibilities, the Department intends to seek OMB approval for a three year extension of them, to September 30, 1999.

II. Current Actions

This action is requested because of the need for continuing the existing collection of information. This information is needed to enable the Secretary of Labor to exercise oversight responsibilities and to assure the security, solvency, and integrity of the unemployment fund. Furthermore, the Department requires this information to compile annual consolidated financial statements and to prepare UIS statistical reports.

The information is not captured from any other source. Because the reporting system has been operational for several years and is automated on-line, burden on States is negligible.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Labor, Employment and Training Administration.

Title: ETA Summaries UI Trust Fund Activities.

OMB Number: 1205-0154.

Agency Number: 1205.

Recordkeeping: Three years.

Affected Public: 50 States, Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

Total Respondents: 53 State agencies.

Frequency: ETA 8403: As needed; this report is submitted only when there has been activity which requires updating the State's Reed Act account. ETA 2112, 8401, 8405, 8413, 8414: Monthly.

Total Responses: 53 State agencies×12 months=636 responses.

Average Time Per Response: 636 responses×2.5 hours (30 minutes per response)=1,590 reporting hours.

Reed Act (ETA 8403): 18 States×12 responses=216 annual responses×30 minutes per response=108 reporting hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 1,698 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Cost: 1,698×\$27.25=\$47,119.50.