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(5 U.S.C. 552(a))

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of November 1996.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
Frank A. Costanzi,

Deputy Director, Division of Regulatory Applications, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

[RI 25-41]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

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 has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a request for extension of a currently approved information collection. RI 25-41, Initial Certification of Full-Time School Attendance, is used to determine whether a child is unmarried and a full-time student in a recognized school. OPM must determine this in order to pay survivor annuity to children who are age 18 or older.

Approximately 1,200 RI 25-41 forms are completed annually. It takes approximately 90 minutes to complete the form. The annual burden is 1,800 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Jim Farron on (202) 418-3208, or E-mail to jmfarron@mail.opm.gov

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received on or before December 26, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—

Lorraine E. Dettman, Chief, Operations Support Division, Retirement and Insurance Service, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 3349, Washington, DC 20415

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

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION—CONTACT: Mary Beth Smith-Toomey, Management Services Division, (202) 606-0623.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management
Lorraine A. Green,

Deputy Director.

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for a Revised Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Personnel
Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management will submit to the Office of Management and Budget a request for reclearance of a revised information collection. Application to

Participate as a Carrier Under 5 U.S.C. 8903(4), is used by OPM to determine if Comprehensive Medical Plans applying for participation in the Federal Employees Health Benefit Program meet the requirements for participation. The revised application considerably lessens the information collection burden of the current application. This revision needs to be in place by the end of 1996 so plans can use it during the next application cycle.

The total annual reporting burden is estimated to be 4,500 hours based on 50 applications at an average time burden of 90 hours per plan.

For copies of this proposal, contact Jim Farron on (202) 418-3208, or E-Mail to jmfarron@mail.opm.gov

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received on or before December 26, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—

Abby L. Block, Chief, Insurance Policy and Information Division, Retirement and Insurance Service, 1900 E Street, NW, Room 3451, Washington, DC 20415-0001

and
Joseph Lackey, OPM Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, NW, Room 3002, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION CONTACT: Mary Beth Smith-Toomey, Team Leader, Management Services Division (202) 606-0623.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management

Lorraine A. Green,

Deputy Director.

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Privacy Act of 1974: Computer Matching Programs—OPM/Social Security Administration

AGENCY: Office of Personnel
Management.

ACTION: Publication of notice of computer matching to comply with Public Law 100-503, the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988.

SUMMARY: OPM is publishing notice of its computer matching program with the Social Security Administration (SSA) to meet the reporting and publication requirements of Pub. L. 100-503. The purpose of this match is for SSA to disclose benefit information to OPM to offset specific benefits.

DATES: The matching program will begin in December, 1996, or 40 days after agreements by the parties participating in the match have been submitted to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget, whichever is later. Any public comment on this matching program must be submitted within the 30 day public notice period, which begins on the publication date of this notice. The matching program will continue for 18 months from the beginning date and may be extended an additional 12 months thereafter. The data exchange will begin at a date mutually agreeable between OPM and SSA after December 1, 1996, unless comments are received which will result in a contrary determination. Subsequent matches will take place annually on a recurring basis until one of the parties advises the other, in writing, of its intention to reevaluate, modify and/or terminate the agreement.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Kathleen M. McGettigan, Assistant Director, Financial Control and Management; Office of Personnel Management; 1900 E Street NW, Washington, DC 20415; or deliver to OPM, Room 4312, 1900 E Street NW, Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marc Flaster, (202) 606-0640.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OPM and SSA intend to conduct a computer matching program, as described below. The purpose of this agreement is to establish the conditions under which SSA agrees to the disclosure of benefit information to OPM. The SSA records will be used in a matching program with OPM's records on surviving spouses who may be eligible to receive a Supplementary Annuity, disability retirees, and child survivor annuitants, under the Federal Employees' Retirement System (FERS). The benefits payable to these recipients are offset if paid while also in receipt of SSA benefits. OPM will use the SSA data to verify the earnings information provided directly to OPM by the recipients.

Office of Personnel Management
James B. King,
Director.

Report of Computer Matching Program Between the Office of Personnel Management and Social Security Administration

A. Participating Agencies

OPM and SSA.

B. Purpose of the Matching Program

Chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.), requires OPM to offset

specific benefits by a percentage of benefits payable under Title II of the Social Security Act. The matching will enable OPM to compute benefits at the correct rate and determine eligibility for benefits.

C. Authority for Conducting the Match Program

Chapter 84, title 5, United States Code.

D. Categories of Records and Individuals Covered by the Match

The SSA records involved in the match are SSA benefit status and amount and identifying information in order to match records (Master Files of Social Security Number Holders, HHS/SSA/OSR, 09-60-0058 and Master Beneficiary Record, HHS/SSA/OSR, 09-60-0090, last published at 69 FR 2144, January 6, 1995). The OPM records consist of annuity data from its system of records entitled OPM/Central 1—Civil Service Retirement and Insurance Records, last published in the Federal Register at 60 FR 63075, December 8, 1995.

E. Description of Matching Program

As frequently as daily, OPM will provide SSA with an extract from the annuity master file and from pending claims snapshot records via the File Transfer Management System (FTMS). The extracted file will contain identifying information concerning the disability annuitant, child survivor, or surviving spouse who may be eligible for a Supplemental annuity under FERS. Each record will be matched to SSA's records and requested information transmitted back to OPM.

F. Privacy Safeguards and Security

The personal privacy of the individuals whose names are included in the files transmitted are protected by strict adherence to the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 and OMB's "Guidance Interpreting the Provisions of Public Law 100-503, the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988". Access to the records used in the data exchange is restricted to only those authorized employees and officials who need it to perform their official duties. Records matched or created will be stored in an area that is physically safe. Records used in this exchange and any records created by this exchange will be processed under the immediate supervision and control of authorized personnel in a manner which will protect the confidentiality of the records. The records matched and records created by the match will be transported under appropriate

safeguards. Both SSA and OPM have the right to make onsite inspections or make other provisions to ensure that adequate safeguards are being maintained by the other agency.

G. Inclusive Dates of the Matching Program

This computer matching program is subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget and the Congress. OPM's report to these parties must be received at least 40 days prior to the initiation of any matching activity. If no objections are raised by either, and the mandatory 30-day public notice period for comments has expired for this Federal Register notice with no significant adverse public comments in receipt resulting in a contrary determination, then this computer matching program becomes effective on the date specified above. By agreement between OPM and SSA, the matching program will be in effect and continue for 18 months with an option to renew for 12 additional months under the terms set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552a(o)(2)(D).

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board has submitted the following proposal(s) for the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL(S):

- (1) *Collection title:* Notice of Intent to Offset Federal Income Tax Refund.
- (2) *Form(s) submitted:* G-49b.
- (3) *OMB Number:* 3220-0181.
- (4) *Expiration date of current OMB clearance:* December 31, 1996.
- (5) *Type of request:* Revision of a currently approved collection.
- (6) *Respondents:* Individuals or households.
- (7) *Estimated annual number of respondents:* 350.
- (8) *Total annual responses:* 350.
- (9) *Total annual reporting hours:* 58.
- (10) *Collection description:* Under Title 31 of the U.S. Code, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) may refer to the Internal Revenue Service for collection by tax refund offset, legally enforceable debts incurred by beneficiaries who received overpayments from the RRB. The collection obtains information