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Director of Operations, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Parole Commission

[(Public Law 94-409) (5 U.S.C. Sec. 552b)]

Sunshine Act Meeting; Record of Vote of Meeting Closure

I, Michael J. Gaines, Chairman of the United States Parole Commission, was present at a meeting of said Commission which started at approximately nine-thirty a.m. on Thursday, April 2, 1998, at 5550 Friendship Boulevard, Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815. The purpose of the meeting was to decide one appeal from the National Commissioners' decisions pursuant to 28 CFR 2.27. Three Commissioners were present, constituting a quorum when the vote to close the meeting was submitted.

Public announcement further describing the subject matter of the meeting and certifications of General Counsel that this meeting may be closed by vote of the Commissioners present were submitted to the Commissioners prior to the conduct of any other business. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the following Commissioners voted that the meeting be closed: Michael J. Gaines, Edward F. Reilly, Jr., and John R. Simpson.

In Witness Whereof, I make this official record of the vote taken to close this meeting and authorize this record to be made available to the public.

Dated: April 3, 1998.

Michael J. Gaines,

Chairman, U.S. Parole Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Forms for Agricultural Recruitment System

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 extension of the information collection of the Agricultural and Food Processing Clearance Order, Form ETA-790, Agricultural and Food Processing Clearance Memorandum, Form ETA-795, Migrant Worker Itinerary, Form ETA-785, and Job Service Manifest Record, Form ETA-785A.

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 June 8, 1998. Written comments should evaluate whether the proposed information collection 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 submission of responses.

ADDRESSEE: Rogelio Valdez, U.S. Employment Service, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor Room N-4470, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210, 202-219-5257, extension 167. (This is not a toll-free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker regulations at 20 CFR 653.500 established procedures for agricultural clearance to all local offices to use the interstate clearance forms as prescribed by ETA. Local and State Employment offices use the Agricultural and Food Processing Clearance Order to extend job orders beyond their jurisdictions. Applicant holding local offices use the Agricultural Clearance Memorandum to give notice of action on a clearance order, request additional information, report results, and to accept or reject the extended job order. State agencies use the Migrant Worker Itinerary to transmit employment and supportive service information to labor-demand areas, and to assist migrant workers in obtaining employment. The Job Service Manifest Record shows names, addresses, and characteristics of all people named on the Migrant Work Itinerary.

II. Current Actions

This is a request for OMB approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A) of an extension to an existing collection of information previously approved and assigned OMB Control No. 1205-0134, and to address the OMB concerns of January 14, 1998. There is no change in burden.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

Title: Agricultural and Food Processing Clearance Order, Agricultural Clearance Memorandum, Migrant Worker Itinerary, and Job Service Manifest Record.

OMB Number: 1205-0134.

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Individuals and households, employers, and State Governments.

Number of Respondents: 52.

Estimated Time Per Respondent:

Form	Volume per year	House per response	House per year
ETA-790	2,000	1.0	2,000

Form	Volume per year	House per response	House per year
ETA-795	3,000	.5	1,500
ETA-785	3,500	.5	1,750
ETA-785A	2,500	.5	1,250

Estimated Burden Hours: 6,500.

Total Estimated Cost: None.

Comments submitted in response to this 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: April 3, 1998.

John R. Beverly, III,

Director, U.S. Employment Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Work Opportunity and Welfare-to-Work Tax Credits ETA Handbook No. 408, First Edition, July 1997 Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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/U.S. Employment Service is soliciting comments concerning the proposed revision of the ETA Handbook No. 408, First Edition, July 1997.

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 June 8, 1998.

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: John Beverly, Director, U.S. Employment Service, ETA, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Rm. N-4470, Washington D.C. 20210, (202) 219-5257 (this is not a toll-free number) fax no. (202) 219-6643.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) program created by the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-188) expired on September 30, 1997. The program was authorized for one year, becoming effective October 1, 1996, through September 30, 1997. In response to President Clinton's Welfare Reform initiative and efforts, the Congress on August 5, 1997, signed into law the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997—the Act—(P.L. 105-34). This legislation reauthorized the WOTC program for nine additional months and created the Welfare-to-Work (WtW) tax credit, which became effective January 1, 1998, through April 30, 1999. The law required no changes in the type of data to be collected on the WOTC program.

II. Current Actions

► Data on the WOTC and the Welfare-to-Work credit will be collected by the State Employment Security Agencies (SESAs) and provided to the United States Employment Service (USES),

Division of Planning and Operations, Washington, D.C. through the appropriate U.S. Department of Labor, Regional Office. The data will be used for program management, including monitoring, oversight and the identification of technical assistance and training requirements. The data is also provided to the Congress through an annual Training and Employment Report of the Secretary of Labor. The information reported on ETA Forms 9061-9063 and 9065, Individual Characteristics, Conditional Certification, Employer Certification, and Agency Declaration of Verification Results, required by P.L. 97-248 will be reported annually to the Committee House Ways and Means of the House of Representatives.

► WOTC Administrative and Quarterly Reporting Forms. WOTC administrative and reporting procedures are outlined in *ETA Handbook No. 408, Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) Program, First Edition, July 1997*. This information has been revised and updated to reflect the new changes and provisions introduced by the Act in an *Addendum*, dated February 1998, to the first edition of ETA Handbook No. 408, July 1997.

► In addition, the quarterly report forms are required to be used without modification to summarize and report to ETA regional offices—with copies to the national office—on conditional certifications issued (Report No. 1, ETA 9057), certification workload and characteristics of certified individuals (Report No. 2, ETA 9058) including certifications issued, and verification results achieved (Report No. 3, ETA 9059) during the reporting period stipulated for the respective forms.

Type of Review: Revision, with changes.

Agency: ETA.

Title: Work Opportunity and Welfare-to-work Tax Credits—ETA Handbook No. 408, First Edition, July 1997.

OMB Number: 1205-0371

Agency Number: ETA Forms 9061-9063 and 9065 and ETA Forms 9057, 9058, and 9059.

Recordkeeping: 52 States x 997 hours annually = 51,844 hours.

Affected Public: State Employment Security Agencies (SESAs), Other Federal or State Participating Agencies,