Union Administration, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314-3428, Fax No. 703-518-6433, E-mail: jbaylen@ncua.gov

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt (202) 395-7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10226, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the information collection requests, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the NCUA Clearance Officer, James L. Baylen, (703) 518–6411.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Proposals** for the following collections of information:

OMB Number: 3133-0032.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Records Preservation. Part 749 of NCUA Regulations directs each credit union to store copies of their members' share and loan balances away from the credit union's premises.

Respondents: All Credit Unions. Estimated No. of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 11,127.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Response: 2 hours.

Frequency of Response: Quarterly. Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 22,254.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$1,112,700.

OMB Number: 3133-0058. Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Credit Committee Records. The standard Federal Credit Union (FCU) Bylaws require an FCU to maintain records of its loan approvals and denials.

Respondents: All Federal Credit Unions.

Estimated No. of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 6,888.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Response: 8 hours.

Frequency of Response: Other. Twice a month.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 55,104.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$926,298.

OMB Number: 3133-0080. Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Special Meetings of Federal Credit Union (FCU) Board. The standard FCU Bylaws require a written request from a majority of the FCU's directors to the FCU's president in order for the FCU to hold a special meeting of directors.

Respondents: All Federal Credit

Estimated No. of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 6,888.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Response: 2.5 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Total Annual Burden

Estimated Total Annual Cost: N/A. OMB Number: 3133-0117. Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Designation of Low Income Status. Credit unions that serve predominantly low income members must receive a low income designation from NCUA before they can accept deposits from all sources.

Respondents: Certain credit unions that serve predominantly low income members.

Estimated No. of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 15.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Response: 15 hours.

Frequency of Response: Other. Once. Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 225.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$3,600.

OMB Number: 3133-0052. Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Federal Credit Union (FCU) Membership Applications and Denials. Article II, section 2 of the FCU Bylaws requires persons applying for membership in an FCU to complete an application. The Federal Credit Union Act directs the FCU to provide the applicant with written reasons when the FCU denies a membership application.

Respondents: All Federal Credit Unions.

Estimated No. of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 1,722

Estimated Burden Hours Per Response: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,722.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: N/A. OMB Number: 3133-0130. Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Written Reimbursement Policy. Each Federal Credit Union (FCU) must draft a written reimbursement policy to ensure that the FCU makes payments to its director within the guidelines that the FCU has established in advance and to enable examiners to easily verify compliance by comparing the policy to the actual reimbursements.

Respondents: All Federal Credit Unions.

Estimated No. of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 6,897.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Response: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: Other. Once and update.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,462.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: N/A.

By the National Credit Union Administration Board on December 21, 1998. Becky Baker,

Secretary of the Board.

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## **NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION**

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to OMB for Review; Comment Request** 

**AGENCY:** National Credit Union Administration (NCUA). **ACTION:** Request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The NCUA is submitting the following reinstatement with change for an expired information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (P.L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The notice was orginially published in the Federal Register on August 19, 1998. No comments relating to the collection were received. This information collection is published to obtain comments from the public.

DATES: Comments will be accepted until January 29, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments to NCUA Clearance Officer or OMB Reviewer listed below:

Clearance Officer: Mr. James L. Baylen (703) 518-6411, National Credit Union Administration 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314-3428, Fax No. 703-518-6433, E-mail: jbaylen@ncua.gov

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt (202) 395-7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10226, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the information collection requests, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the NCUA Clearance Officer, James L. Baylen (see above).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Proposal** for the following collection of information:

OMB Number: 3133-0015.

Form Numbers: NCUA 4000, 4001, 4008, 4012, 4015, 4401, 9500, 9501, and 9600

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement with changes of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

Title: Federal Credit Union Charter Application, Community Charter Conversion/Expansion Application, and Field of Membership Amendments.

Description: The Federal Credit Union (FCU) Act and Credit Union Membership Access (CUMA) Act set forth the requirements for establishing a credit union based on a type of field of membership. The data collection is necessary to determine that the application for the new charter/amendment is in compliance with the FCU and CUMA Acts.

Respondents: Individuals or groups wishing to charter a credit union and credit unions wishing to expand their field of membership or convert their current type of field of membership to another.

Estimated No. of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 9,080.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Response: 2.75 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion as required.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 24,400.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: N/A.

By the National Credit Union Administration Board on December 21, 1998. **Becky Baker.** 

Secretary of the Board.

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Intent To Seek Approval To Extend and Revise a Current Information Collection

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation. **ACTION:** Notice and Request for Comments.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to request renewal of this collection. In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13), we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting that OMB approve clearance of this collection for 3 years.

**DATES:** Written comments on this notice must be received by March 1, 1999 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

# FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR

COMMENTS: Contact Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 295, Arlington, Virginia 22230; telephone (703) 306–1125 x 2017; or send e-mail to splimpto@nsf.gov. You also may obtain a copy of the data collection instrument and instructions from Ms. Plimpton.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Survey of Research and Development Expenditures at Universities and Colleges, FY 1999 through FY 2001; OMB Control Number 3145–0100.

Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Proposed Renewal Project: Separately budgeted current fund expenditures on research and development in the sciences and engineering performed by universities and colleges and their affiliated federally funded research and development centers—A mail/electronic survey, the Survey of Scientific and **Engineering Expenditures at** Universities and Colleges, originated in fiscal year (FY) 1954 and has been conducted annually since FY 1972. The survey is the academic expenditure component of the NSF statistical program that seeks to provide a "central clearinghouse for the collection, interpretation, and analysis of data on

the availability of, and the current and projected need for, scientific and technical resources in the United States, and to provide a source of information for policy formulation by other agencies of the Federal government," as mandated in the National Science Foundation Act of 1950.

Use of the Information: The proposed project will return to and maintain a full survey cycle population of about 700 institutions.

The survey which was conducted as a full survey population only every 5 years and as a statistical sample in each of the 4 intervening years was based primarily on reducing respondent burden. Consistency of records of the non-sampled institutions and frequent personnel changes, added to their burden. With the onset of Web-based data collection and a change for a minimum requirement of \$150K in expenditures for any master's or bachelor's degree-granting institution, the respondent burden and timleness is expected to decrease. These institutions account for over 98 percent of the Nation's academic R&D funds. The survey has provided continuity of statistics on R&D expenditures by source of funds and passed through dollars; by science & engineering (S&E) field, and separate data requested on current fund expenditures for research equipment by S&E field, and selected non-science & engineering fields. In addition, Statistics from the survey are published in NSF's annual publication series Academic Science and Engineering R&D Expenditures and are available electronically on the World Wide Web.

The survey will be mailed primarily to the administrators at the Institutional Research Offices. To minimize burden, institutions are provided with (in addition to paper copy) file specifications needed to upload data from the web data collection system (http://www.qrc.com/exp).

Approximately 65% responded electronically using the previous Automatic Survey Questionnaire on diskette to this voluntary survey in FY 1997 and a total response rate of 98.0% was obtained. Burden estimates are as follows:

Fiscal year	Total number of institutions	Burden hours		
		Doctorate— granting	Masters— granting	Bachelors or below
1997 1996	692 692	19.0 21.5	7.0 7.1	7.0 6.2