

disaster area due to damages caused by severe storms, winds, and a tornado that occurred on May 25, 2000. Applications for loans for physical damage as a result of this disaster may be filed until the

close of business on August 4, 2000 and for economic injury until the close of business on March 5, 2001 at the address listed below or other locally announced locations: U.S. Small

Business Administration, Disaster Area 2 Office, One Baltimore Place, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30308.

The interest rates are:

For Physical Damage:

HOMEOWNERS WITH CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	7.375
HOMEOWNERS WITHOUT CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	3.687
BUSINESSES WITH CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	8.000
BUSINESSES AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WITHOUT CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	4.000
OTHERS (INCLUDING NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS) WITH CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	6.750

For Economic Injury:

BUSINESSES AND SMALL AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES WITHOUT CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	4.000
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The numbers assigned to this disaster are 326211 for physical damage and 9H4900 for economic injury.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008)

Dated: June 5, 2000.

Kris Swedin,

Acting Administrator.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3261]

State of Wisconsin

Manitowoc County and the contiguous counties of Brown, Calumet, Kewaunee, and Sheboygan in the State of Wisconsin constitute a disaster area due to damages caused by severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding that occurred on May 12, 2000. Applications

for loans for physical damage as a result of this disaster may be filed until the close of business on August 4, 2000 and for economic injury until the close of business on March 5, 2001 at the address listed below or other locally announced locations: U.S. Small Business Administration, Disaster Area 2 Office, One Baltimore Place, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30308.

The interest rates are:

	Percent
<i>For Physical Damage:</i>	
HOMEOWNERS WITH CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	7.375
HOMEOWNERS WITHOUT CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	3.687
BUSINESSES WITH CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	8.000
BUSINESSES AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WITHOUT CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	4.000
OTHERS (INCLUDING NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS) WITH CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	6.750
<i>For Economic Injury:</i>	
BUSINESSES AND SMALL AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES WITHOUT CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	4.000

The numbers assigned to this disaster are 326111 for physical damage and 9H4800 for economic injury.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request and Comment Request

In compliance with Public Law 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, SSA is providing notice of its information collections that require submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). SSA is soliciting comments on the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate; the need for the information; its practical utility;

ways to enhance its quality, utility and clarity; and on ways to minimize burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

I. The information collections listed below will be submitted to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. Therefore, comments and recommendations regarding the information collections would be most useful if received by the Agency within 60 days from the date of this publication. Comments should be directed to the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the address listed at the end of this publication. You can obtain a copy of the collection instruments by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer on (410) 965-4145, or by writing to him at the address listed at the end of this publication.

1. *Subpart T—State Supplementation Provisions; Agreement; Payments*, 20 CFR 416.2099—0960-0240. Section 1618 of the Social Security Act contains pass-along provisions of the Social

Security amendments. These provisions require States that supplement the Federal SSI benefits pass along Federal cost-of-living increases to individuals who are eligible for State supplementary payments. If a State fails to keep payments at the required level, it becomes ineligible for Medicaid reimbursement under title XIX of the Social Security Act. Regulation at 20 CFR 416.2099 requires the States to report mandatory minimum and optional supplementary payment data to SSA. The information is used to determine compliance with the law and regulations. The respondents are States that supplement Federal SSI payments.

Number of respondents: 26.

Number of Response: 15 states report quarterly, 11 states report annually.

Average burden per response: 1 hour.

Estimated Annual Burden: 71 hours.

2. *Application for Search of Census Records for Proof of Age-0960-0097.* The information collected on Form SSA-1535-U3 is required to provide the Census Bureau with sufficient

identifying information, which will allow an accurate search of census records to establish proof of age for an individual applying for Social Security Benefits. It is used for individuals who must establish age as a factor of entitlement. The respondents are individuals applying for Social Security Benefits.

Number of respondents: 18,000.

Number of Response: 1.

Average burden per response: 12 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 3,600.

3. *Psychiatric Review Technique—0960–0413.* The information collected on Form SSA–2506 is needed by SSA to facilitate the adjudication of claims involving mental impairments. The information is used to identify the need for additional evidence in the determination of impairment severity; to consider aspects of mental impairment relevant to the individual's ability to work; and to organize and present the findings in a clear, concise manner. The respondents are State DDS's administering titles II and XVI disability programs.

Number of Respondents: 1,005,804.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 251,451 hours.

4. *Integrated Registration for Employers and Submitters (IRES)—0960–NEW.* The IRES authentication system is a free service designed to allow employers to access SSA's electronic wage reporting services, and to replace the use of a handwritten signature with an electronic signature. Employer representatives will use an IRES generated PIN and password as their electronic signature. IRES was designed to be more efficient, reducing the costs to both employers and SSA, and will facilitate the filing of wage data electronically.

SSA's paramount interest in the development of IRES was to ensure that the new electronic method of identifying wage report submitters provides the same security features as the current paper-based method. Security features will include message integrity, originator authentication, non-repudiation and confidentiality. The PIN and password will be issued to an individual designated by the employer after SSA authenticates the company and contact information provided by the individual.

SSA plans to use the IRES in conjunction with SSA's wage reporting processes. It will be used as the gateway for electronic wage reporting and the Online Employee Verification Service. It

will also be used when SSA implements additional electronic services such as electronic notices and error information. The PIN will also be used in the AWR diskette process to replace the signature on IRS paper form 6559. SSA has received approval from IRS to use an alternative signature.

Respondents to IRES will be Employers and Submitters who utilize SSA's electronic wage reporting and Online Employee Verification Services.

Number of respondents: 250,000.

Number of Response: 1.

Average burden per response: 2 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 8333 hours.

II. The information collections listed below have been submitted to OMB for clearance. Written comments and recommendations on the information collections would be most useful if received within 30 days from the date of this publication. Comments should be directed to the SSA Reports Clearance Officer and the OMB Desk Officer at the addresses listed at the end of this publication. You can obtain a copy of the OMB clearance packages by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer on (410) 965–4145, or by writing to him.

1. *Request for Reconsideration—0960–NEW.* The information collected on Form SSA–561 is used by SSA to initiate the reconsideration process for determining entitlement of individuals to Social Security benefits under (title II), Supplemental Security Income payments (title XVI), Special Veterans Benefits (title VIII) and Medicare benefits (title XVIII). The respondents are individuals filing for such reconsideration.

Number of respondents: 1,455,000.

Number of Response: 1.

Average burden per response: 8 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 194,000.

(SSA Address)

Social Security Administration,
DCFAM, Attn: Frederick W.
Brickenkamp, 1–A–21 Operations
Bldg., 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore,
MD 21235.

(OMB Address)

Office of Management and Budget,
OIRA, Attn: Desk Officer for SSA,
New Executive Office Building, Room
10230, 725 17th St., NW, Washington,
D.C. 20503.

Dated: June 9, 2000.

Frederick W. Brickenkamp,

Reports Clearance Officer, Social Security Administration.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority

This statement amends part S of the Statement of the Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority which covers the Social Security Administration (SSA). Chapter S2 covers—the Deputy Commissioner, Operations. Notice is given that Subchapter S2R, the Office of Central Operations, is being amended. Further, a new Subchapter, S2RC5, the Center for Human Resources, is being established. The new material and changes are as follows:

Section S2.20 *The Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Operations—(Functions):*

Add the following to Function D:

The office provides overall management direction for the provision of personnel services and administrative support to all OCO components. It maintains a broad overview of administrative operations to ensure effective coordination of all component activities.

Section S2R.00 *The Office of Central Operations—(Mission):*

Add the following to the opening paragraph:

It provides executive leadership and direction for the provision of personnel management and administrative support for all components within OCO.

Section S2R.10 *The Office of Central Operations—(Organization):*

C. The Immediate Office of the Associate Commissioner, Office of Central Operations (S2R).

4. The Assistant Associate Commissioner for Management Operations and Support (S2RC).

Establish:

e. The Center for Human Resources (S2RC5).

Section S2R.20 *The Office of Central Operations—(Functions):*

C. The Immediate Office of the Associate Commissioner, OCO (S2R) provides internal operations and management support and assistance to the Associate Commissioner and all OCO components.

Amend as follows:

4. The Assistant Associate Commissioner for Management and Operations Support (S2RC) is responsible for the direction of five centers which perform systems, management, program, material resources and personnel management services functions for OCO.

b. The Center for Management Support (S2RC2):