

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Revision; Comment Request; Company-Run Annual Stress Test Reporting Template and Documentation for Covered Institutions With Total Consolidated Assets of \$10 Billion to \$50 Billion Under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act

AGENCY: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury (OCC).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The OCC, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on this continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number.

The OCC is soliciting comment on proposed revisions to the regulatory reporting templates and documentation for covered institutions with total consolidated assets of \$10 billion to \$50 billion.

DATES: Comments must be received by September 15, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Because paper mail in the Washington, DC area and at the OCC is subject to delay, commenters are encouraged to submit comments by email if possible. Comments may be sent to: Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Attention: 1557-0311, 400 7th Street SW., Suite 3E-218, Mail Stop 9W-11, Washington, DC 20219. In addition, comments may be sent by fax to (571) 465-4326 or by electronic mail to regs.comments@occ.treas.gov. You may personally inspect and photocopy comments at the OCC, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20219. For security reasons, the OCC requires that visitors make an appointment to inspect comments. You may do so by calling (202) 649-6700. Upon arrival, visitors will be required to present valid government-issued photo

identification and to submit to security screening in order to inspect and photocopy comments.

All comments received, including attachments and other supporting materials, are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. Do not enclose any information in your comment or supporting materials that you consider confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You can request additional information from or a copy of the collection from Johnny Vilela or Mary H. Gottlieb, Clearance Officers, (202) 649-5490, for persons who are deaf or hard of hearing, TTY, (202) 649-5597, Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street SW., Suite 3E-218, Mail Stop 9W-11, Washington, DC 20219. In addition, copies of the templates referenced in this notice can be found on the OCC's Web site under Tools and Forms (<http://www.occ.gov/tools-forms/forms/bank-operations/stress-test-reporting.html>).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The OCC is requesting comment on a revision to the following information collection:

Title: Company-Run Annual Stress Test Reporting Template and Documentation for Covered Institutions with Total Consolidated Assets of \$10 Billion to \$50 Billion under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

OMB Control No.: 1557-0311.

Description: Section 165(i)(2) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act¹ (Dodd-Frank Act) requires certain financial companies, including national banks and Federal savings associations, to conduct annual stress tests² and requires the primary financial regulatory agency³ of those financial companies to issue regulations implementing the stress test requirements.⁴ A national bank or Federal savings association is a "covered institution," and therefore subject to the stress test requirements if its total consolidated assets exceed \$10 billion. Under section 165(i)(2), a covered institution is required to submit to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board) and to its primary financial regulatory agency a report at such time, in such form, and containing such information as the primary financial regulatory agency may

require.⁵ On October 9, 2012, the OCC published in the **Federal Register** a final rule implementing the section 165(i)(2) annual stress test requirements.⁶ On October 22, 2013 the OCC published in the **Federal Register** a notice describing the reports and information required under section 165(i)(2) for covered institutions with average total consolidated assets between \$10 to \$50 billion.⁷

On October 11, 2013, the OCC published in the **Federal Register** revised risk-based and leverage capital requirements that implement the Basel III regulatory capital reforms and certain changes required by the Dodd-Frank Act (revised regulatory capital rule).⁸ The revised regulatory capital rule introduces the new common equity tier 1 capital component and a new common equity tier 1 capital ratio, changes the definition of regulatory capital items, and changes the calculation of risk-weighted assets. All banking organizations must comply with the revised regulatory capital rule beginning on January 1, 2015.

The OCC proposes to revise the reporting templates for institutions with \$10 to \$50 billion in assets to reflect the changes to the revised regulatory capital rule. Specifically, the OCC proposes to add a common equity tier 1 capital data item to the Balance Sheet and a common equity tier 1 risk-based capital ratio data item to the Summary Schedule and Balance Sheet Schedules (baseline, adverse, and severely adverse scenarios) in order to reflect the requirements of the revised regulatory capital rule. These revisions would be effective for the 2015 stress test cycle (using September 2014 data and November 2014 scenarios with submission of results in March 2015).⁹ In addition, the OCC proposes to clarify the accompanying instructions to emphasize that institutions should transition to the revised regulatory capital rule requirements in its company-run stress test projections in the quarter in which the requirements become effective. Specifically, institutions would be required to transition to the revised regulatory capital rule and begin including the common equity tier 1 capital data item and common equity tier 1 risk-based

⁵ 12 U.S.C. 5365(i)(2)(B).

⁶ 77 FR 61238, October 9, 2012.

⁷ 78 FR 62942.

⁸ 78 FR 62018.

⁹ The OCC, the Board, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation recently proposed revisions to the schedule of the annual stress test. 79 FR 37231 (July 1, 2014). If the agencies adopt these revisions, the OCC expects to adjust its reporting instructions accordingly.

¹ Public Law 111-203, 124 Stat. 1376, July 2010.

² 12 U.S.C. 5365(i)(2)(A).

³ 12 U.S.C. 5301(12).

⁴ 12 U.S.C. 5365(i)(2)(C).

capital ratio data item in projected quarters two (1st quarter 2015) through nine (4th quarter 2016) for each scenario for the 2015 stress test cycle.

The OCC also proposes several clarifications to the reporting instructions including: Indicating that the Scenario Variables Schedule would be collected as a reporting form in Reporting Central (instead of as a file submitted in Adobe Acrobat PDF format) and clarifying how the supporting qualitative information should be organized.

The OCC has worked closely with the Board and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to make the agencies' respective rules implementing the annual stress testing requirements under the Dodd-Frank Act consistent and comparable by requiring similar standards for scope of application, scenarios, data collection and reporting forms. The OCC also has worked to minimize any potential duplication of effort related to the annual stress test requirements.

Type of Review: Revision to an existing collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit.

Burden Estimates:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 29.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 13,601 hours.

The burden for each \$10 to \$50 billion covered institution that completes the revised results template is estimated to be 445 hours for a total of 12,905 hours. The proposed revisions are estimated to add 5 hours of additional burden per respondent, increasing the burden from 440 hours to 445 hours. This burden includes 20 hours to input these data and 425 hours for work related to modeling efforts. The estimated revised burden for each \$10 to \$50 billion covered institution that completes the annual DFAST Scenarios Variables Template is estimated to be 24 hours for a total of 696 hours.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the OCC, including whether the information has practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the OCC's estimate of the burden of the collection of information;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and,

(e) Estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: July 14, 2014.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-New (DBQs—Group 1)]

Proposed Information Collection (Disability Benefits Questionnaires—Group 1) Activity: Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits

Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each revision, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to obtain medical evidence to adjudicate a claim for disability benefits.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before September 15, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-New (DBQs—Group 1)" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 632-8924 or FAX (202) 632-8925.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Titles:

a. Hematologic and Lymphatic Conditions, Including Leukemia Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960B-2.

b. Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (Lou Gehrig's Disease) Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960C-2.

c. Peripheral Nerve Conditions (Not Including Diabetic Sensory-Motor Peripheral Neuropathy) Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960C-10.

d. Persian Gulf and Afghanistan Infectious Diseases Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960I-1.

e. Tuberculosis Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960I-6.

f. Kidney Conditions (Nephrology) Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960J-1.

g. Male Reproductive Organ Conditions Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960J-2.

h. Prostate Cancer Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960J-3.

i. Eating Disorders Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960P-1.

m. Mental Disorders (other than PTSD and Eating Disorders) Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960P-2.

n. Review Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Disability Benefits Questionnaire, VA Form 21-0960P-3.

OMB Control Number: 2900-New (DBQs—Group 1).

Type of Review: Revised collection.

Abstract: Data collected on VA Form 21-0960 series will be used obtain