

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before September 26, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov), or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0117” in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461–5870 or email [cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov](mailto:cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov). Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0117”

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* VA Form Letter 5–127, Inquiry concerning Applicant for Employment.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900–0117.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.

*Abstract:* The information obtained through use of VA Form Letter 5–127 is used by appointing officials in determining an applicant’s suitability and qualifications for employment.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 3,125 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 15 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* Annual.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 12,500.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,**

*Program Specialist, Office of Privacy and Records Management, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900–0589]

**Proposed Information Collection: (Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) Clause 852.270–3, Purchase of Shellfish); Activity: Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Office of Acquisition and Logistics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), this notice announces that the Office of Acquisition and Logistics (OAL), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its respondent total, burden; and includes the actual data collection instrument.

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**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.

*Title:* Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) Clause 852.270–3, Purchase of Shellfish.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900–0589.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a previously approved collection.

*Abstract:* VAAR clause 852.270–3 requires that a firm furnishing shellfish to VA must ensure that the shellfish is

packaged in a container that is marked with the packer’s State certificate number and State abbreviation. In addition, the firm must ensure that the container is tagged or labeled to show the name and address of the approved producer or shipper, the name of the State of origin, and the certificate number of the approved producer or shipper. This information normally accompanies the shellfish from the packer and is not information that must be separately obtained by the seller. The information is needed to ensure that shellfish purchased by VA comes from a State- and Federal-approved and inspected source. The information is used to help ensure that VA purchases healthful shellfish. The contracting officer will use the information to evaluate whether or not the item offered meets the specification requirements. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 81 FR 120, on June 22, 2016, pages 40772 and 40773.

*Affected Public:* Private Sector—Business or other for-profit and Not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* .5 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 1 minute.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 25.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,**

*Program Specialist, Office of Privacy and Records Management, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900–0593]

**Proposed Information Collection (Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) Provision 852.214–70, Caution to Bidder—Bid Envelopes); Activity: Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Office of Acquisitions and Logistics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), this notice announces that the Office of Acquisitions and Logistics (OAL), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information

abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its respondent total, burden; and includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before September 26, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov), or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0593" in any correspondence.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) Provision 852.214-70, Caution to Bidder—Bid Envelopes.  
*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0593.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a previously approved collection.

*Abstract:* VAAR provision 852.214-70, advises bidders that it is their responsibility to ensure that their bid price cannot be ascertained by anyone prior to bid opening. It also advises bidders to identify their bids by showing the invitation number and bid opening date on the outside of the bid envelope. The Government often furnishes a blank bid envelope or a label for use by bidders/offers to identify their bids. The bidder is advised to fill in the required information. This information requested from bidders is needed by the Government to identify bid envelopes from other mail or packages received without having to open the envelopes or packages and possibly exposing bid prices before bid opening. The information will be used to identify which parcels or envelopes are bids and which are other routine mail. The information is also needed to help ensure that bids are delivered to the proper bid opening room on time and prior to bid opening. The contracting officer will use the information to evaluate whether or not the item offered meets the specification requirements. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it

displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 81 FR 120, on June 22, 2016, pages 40773 and 40774.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for profit and not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 2 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 10 seconds.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 640.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,**

*Program Specialist, Office of Privacy and Records Management, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0586]

### Proposed Information Collection (Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) Clause 852.211-72, Technical Industry Standards); Activity: Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of Acquisition and Logistics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Office of Acquisition and Logistics (OAL), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before September 26, 2016.

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of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 461-5870 or email [cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov](mailto:cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0586."

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 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.

*Title:* Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) Clause 852.211-72, Technical Industry Standards.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0586.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* VAAR provision 852.211-72 requires that items offered for sale to VA under the solicitation conform to certain technical industry standards, such as Underwriters Laboratory (UL) or the National Fire Protection Association, and that the contractor furnish evidence to VA that the items meet that requirement. The evidence is normally in the form of a tag or seal affixed to the item, such as the UL tag on an electrical cord or a tag on a fire-rated door. This requires no additional effort on the part of the contractor, as the items come from the factory with the tags already in place, as part of the manufacturer's standard manufacturing operation. Occasionally, for items not already meeting standards or for items not previously tested, a contractor will have to furnish a certificate from an acceptable laboratory certifying that the items furnished have been tested in accordance with, and conform to, the specified standards. Only firms whose products have not previously been tested to ensure the products meet the industry standards required under the solicitation will be required to submit a separate certificate. The information will be used to ensure that the items being purchased meet minimum safety standards and to protect VA employees, VA beneficiaries, and the public. The contracting officer will use the information to evaluate whether or not the item offered meets the specification requirements.

*Affected Public:* Private Sector—Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 1225 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,450.