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Privacy Act of 1974; Report of Amended Matching Program

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) intends to conduct a recurring computer matching program matching Social Security Administration (SSA) benefit recipient records with VA pension and parents' dependency and indemnity compensation records.

The goal of this match is to compare income status as reported to VA with benefit records maintained by SSA.

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) plans to match records of veterans and surviving spouses and children who receive pension and parents who receive dependency and indemnity compensation (DIC) from VA with Social Security Administration benefit records maintained by SSA. The match with SSA will provide VA with data from the SSA Master Beneficiary Record. VA will use the data to update the master records of VA beneficiaries receiving income dependent benefits

and to adjust VA benefit payments as prescribed by law. Otherwise, information about a VA beneficiary's receipt of SSA benefits is obtained from reporting by the beneficiary. The proposed matching program will enable VA to ensure accurate reporting of income.

RECORDS TO BE MATCHED: The VA records involved in the match are the VA system of records, Compensation, Pension, Education and Rehabilitation Records—VA (58 VA 21/22) contained in the Privacy Act Issuances, 1991 compilation, Volume II, pages 967-971 as amended. The SSA records consist of information from the SSA Master Beneficiary Record 09-60-0090 published at 58 FR 35302, June 30, 1993.

In accordance with Title 5 U.S.C. subsection 552a(o)(2) and (r), copies of the agreement are being sent to both Houses of Congress and to the Office of Management and Budget.

This notice is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 as amended by Public Law 100-503.

The match is estimated to start April 1, 1995, but will start no sooner than 40 days after publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**, or 40 days after copies of this Notice and the agreement of the parties are submitted to Congress

and the Office of Management and Budget, whichever is later, and end not more than 18 months after the agreement is properly implemented by the parties. The involved agencies' Data Integrity Boards (DIB) may extend this match for 12 months provided the agencies certify to their DIBs, within three months of the ending date of the original match, that the matching program will be conducted without change and that the matching program has been conducted in compliance with the original matching program.

ADDRESSES: Interested individuals may comment on the proposed matches by writing to the Director, Compensation and Pension Service (21), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David G. Spivey (213B), (202) 273-7258.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information is required by Title 5 U.S.C. subsection 552a(e)(12), the Privacy Act of 1974. A copy of this notice has been provided to both Houses of Congress and the Office of Management and Budget.

Approved: March 2, 1995.

Jesse Brown,

Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

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