

requesting repurchase of a loan, the holder uses VA Form 26-8084. Upon receipt of a holder's VA Form 26-8084, the supporting documents are examined to see that all of the documents required have been submitted and that they are sufficient to complete the repurchase. VA Form 26-8084 is compared with the settlement sheet prepared when the loan was sold and examined closely to establish that there are no errors in the holder's methods of computation. Following repurchase by VA, the obligor(s) are notified in writing that VA has repurchased the loan, and the vendee account is serviced and maintained by VA thereafter.

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 on July 18, 1997 at pages 38606-38607.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 421 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per*

*Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 842.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, Allison Eydt, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-4650. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0377" in any correspondence.

Dated: October 7, 1997.

By direction of the Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0222]

### Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** National Cemetery System, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the National Cemetery

System (NCS), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted 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 December 1, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT:** Ron Taylor, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8015 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0222."

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title and Form Number:* Application for Standard Government Headstone or Marker for Installation in a Private or State Veterans' Cemetery, VA Form 40-1330.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0222.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* The form is used by the public to apply for the benefit of Government-provided headstones or markers for unmarked graves of eligible veterans in accordance with Title 38, U.S.C., Section 906. It is the source of information used to evaluate the applicant's claim for the benefit.

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 on August 7, 1997 at pages 42626-42627.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 85,000 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 15 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 340,000.

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, Allison Eydt, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-4650. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0222" in any correspondence.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0432]

### Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C., 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, has submitted 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 December 1, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT:** Ron Taylor, Information Management Service (045A4), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8015 or FAX (202) 273-5981. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0432."

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Titles and Form Numbers:* Invitation, Bid, and/or Acceptance or Authorization, VA Form 26-6724.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0432.

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*Abstract:* The form is used to solicit competitive bids or serves as a work order for the repair of properties acquired by the VA. In addition, the form serves as a record of a contractor's bid, the VA's acceptance of a bid, inspection of completed work, and a contractor's invoice and payment authorization. Without the use of VA Form 26-6724, the VA would have to rely on contractors to submit bids on separate documents and would not have the advantage of a single record of each repair program's specification, bid, acceptance, inspection, and payment authorization.