

for renewal of his DEA registration, and his persistent attempts to blame others for his predicament, Respondent's request to modify his DEA registration must be denied and his DEA Certificate of Registration must be revoked.

Accordingly, the Acting Deputy Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration, pursuant to the authority vested in him by 21 U.S.C. 823 and 824 and 28 C.F.R. 0.100(b) and 0.104, hereby orders that DEA Certificate of Registration AW8019033, issued to Richard S. Wagner, M.D., be and it hereby is, revoked. The Acting Deputy Administrator further orders that Dr. Wagner's request to modify his registration, and any pending applications for renewal of such registration, be, and they hereby are, denied. This order is effective March 12, 1998.

Dated: February 2, 1998.

**Peter F. Gruden,**

*Acting Deputy Administrator.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

**Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Procedures for Classifying Labor Surplus Areas**

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the information collection for Procedures Classifying Labor Surplus Areas.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by

contacting the employee listed below in the contact section of this notice.

**DATE:** Written comments must be submitted on or before April 13, 1998.

Written comments should evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

**ADDRESSES:** William McGarrity, U.S. Employment Service, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor Room N-4470, 200 Constitution Avenue., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210, 202-219-5185, ext. 129. (This is not a toll-free number)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

Under Executive Orders 12073 and 10582, the Secretary of Labor is required to classify labor surplus areas (LSAs) and disseminate this information for the use of Federal agencies. Federal agencies utilize LSA classifications for various purposes including procurement decisions, food stamp waiver decisions, certain Small Business loan decisions, as well as other purposes determined by the agencies. The LSA listings are issued annually, effective October 1 of each year, utilizing data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Areas meeting the criteria are classified as Labor Surplus Areas.

The Department's regulations specify that the Department can add other areas to the annual LSA listing under the exceptional circumstance criteria. Such additions are based upon information contained in petitions submitted by the State employment security agencies (SESAs) to the national office of the Employment and Training Administration. These petitions contain specific economic information about an area in order to provide ample justification for adding the area to the LSA listing under the exceptional circumstance criteria. An area is eligible for classification as an LSA if it meets all of the criteria, and if the exceptional

circumstance event is not temporary or seasonal. This data collection pertains only to data submitted voluntarily by States in exceptional circumstance petitions.

**II. Current Actions**

This is a request for OMB approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) of an extension to an existing collection of information previously approved and assigned OMB Control No. 1205-0207. There is no change in burden.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Agency:* Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

*Titles:* Procedures for Classifying Labor Surplus Areas.

*OMB Number:* 1205-0207.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* States.

*Number of Respondents:* 52.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:*

Item	States	Annual hours	Total hour
Petitions .....	52	4	208

*Estimated Burden Hours:* 208.

*Total Estimated Cost:* \$5,000.00.

Comments submitted in response to this will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: February 3, 1998.

**John R. Beverly, III,**

*Director, U.S. Employment Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

**Federal-State Unemployment Compensation Program: Unemployment Insurance Program Letters Interpreting Federal Unemployment Insurance Law**

The Employment and Training Administration interprets Federal law requirements pertaining to unemployment compensation (UC) as part of its role in the administration of the Federal-State UC program. These interpretations are issued in Unemployment Insurance Program Letters (UIPLs) to the State Employment Security Agencies. The UIPs described below are published in the **Federal Register** in order to inform the public.