

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

[Declaration of Disaster #3065]

Texas

San Augustine and Polk Counties and the contiguous Counties of Angelina, Hardin, Jasper, Liberty, Nacogdoches, Sabine, San Jacinto, Shelby, Trinity, and Tyler in the State of Texas constitute a disaster area as a result of damages caused by tornadoes and high winds that occurred on February 10, 1998. Applications for loans for physical damage as a direct result of this disaster may be filed until the close of business on May 11, 1998 and for economic injury until the close of business on December 10, 1998 at the address listed below or other locally announced locations:

Small Business Administration, Disaster Area 3 Office, 4400 Amon Carter Blvd., Suite 102, Ft. Worth, TX 76155
The interest rates are:

	Percent
For Physical Damage:	
HOMEOWNERS WITH CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	7.250
HOMEOWNERS WITHOUT CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	3.625
BUSINESSES WITH CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	8.000
BUSINESSES AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WITHOUT CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	4.000
OTHERS (INCLUDING NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS) WITH CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	7.125
For Economic Injury:	
BUSINESSES AND SMALL AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES WITHOUT CREDIT AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE	4.000

The numbers assigned to this disaster are 306512 for physical damage and 975900 for economic injury.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 59002 and 59008)

Dated: March 10, 1998

Aida Alvarez,
Administrator.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Privacy Act of 1974, as Amended; Altered System of Records and Report of New Routine Use

AGENCY: Social Security Administration (SSA).

ACTION: Altered system of records and new routine use.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(4) and (11)), we are issuing public notice of our intent to alter an existing system of records and establish a new routine use, both in the 09-60-0058—Master Files of Social Security Number (SSN) Holders and SSN Applications, SSA/OSR, system of records. (For convenience, we will refer to this system of records as the SSN System.) The proposed alteration and new routine use will allow SSA to obtain the SSNs of the parents on applications for SSNs for individuals who have not attained the age of 18 and to share that information with the Secretary of the Treasury for the purpose of administering those sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 which grant tax benefits based on support or residence of children. We are also making non-substantive housekeeping changes in the notice.

We invite public comment on this publication.

DATES: We filed a report of an altered system of records and proposed new routine use with the Chairman, Committee on Government Reform and Oversight of the House of Representatives; the Chairman, Committee on Governmental Affairs of the Senate; and the Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget on March 9, 1998. The routine use will become effective as proposed, without further notice May 4, 1998, unless we receive comments on or before that date that result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Interested individuals may comment on this publication by writing to the SSA Privacy Officer, Social Security Administration, Room 3-A-6 Operations Building, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21235. Comments may be faxed to (410) 966-0869. All comments received will be available for public inspection at that address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Michael Walker, Social Insurance Specialist, Office of Disclosure Policy, Social Security Administration, 3-C-1 Operations Building, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21235, telephone 410-965-8525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Discussion of the Alteration and the Proposed New Routine Use

Section 1090(b) of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, Pub. L. 105-34, amends section 205(c)(2)(B)(ii) of the Social

Security Act, which imposes a duty on the Commissioner of Social Security to require of applicants for an SSN such evidence as may be necessary to establish the age, citizenship, or alien status, and true identity of such applicants. "Such evidence", for applications for SSNs for individuals who have not attained the age of 18, "shall include the information described in" section 205(c)(2)(C)(ii). That information is the SSNs of the parents.

In addition, section 205(c)(2)(C)(ii) requires each parent to furnish to a State (or political subdivision) the parent's SSN (or SSNs if there is more than one) for the purpose of issuing a birth certificate, unless the State, in accordance with regulations issued by the Commissioner of Social Security, finds good cause for not requiring the parents to furnish their SSNs. Section 1090(b) requires the States to make those parents' SSNs available to the Commissioner of Social Security. The Commissioner is required to share the parents SSNs, obtained under sections 205(c)(2)(B)(ii) and (C)(ii), with the Secretary of the Treasury for the purpose of administering those sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 which grant tax benefits based on support or residence of children.

Categories of records currently collected in the SSN system include name, date and place of birth, sex, both parents' names, and race/ethnic data but does not include the SSNs of parents provided on applications of individuals who have not attained the age of 18. In response to the requirements of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, we propose to alter the categories of records in the system to include the SSNs of parents provided on applications for SSNs of individuals who have not attained the age of 18.

We are also altering our statement of purpose for the collection of information to recognize that we collect the parents' SSNs for two reasons:

1. As evidence with respect to an application for an SSN for an individual who has not attained the age of 18, and
2. In order to share parents' SSNs with the Secretary of the Treasury for use in administering those sections of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 which grant tax benefits based on support or residence of children.

We are also proposing to add a routine use to the SSN system of records allowing disclosure of the SSNs of parents provided on applications for SSNs of individuals who have not attained the age of 18 to the Secretary of the Treasury for the purpose of administering those sections of the