

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

**Agency Information Collection
Activities: Request for Emergency
Review by the Office of Management
and Budget**

The Social Security Administration publishes a list of information collection packages that will require clearance by OMB in compliance with Public Law 104-13 effective October 1, 1995, The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection listed below has been submitted to OMB for emergency clearance. OMB approval has been requested by October 19, 1999. Comments will be most useful if received before that date.

0960-NEW. SSA has contracted with the Gallup Organization to conduct surveys to gather data on the public's level of knowledge about Social Security programs. The 1998 Public Understanding Measurement System survey (PUMS) indicated that 45 percent of the population have a lack of understanding of the major Social Security program areas. The 1999 and future Public Understanding Measurement System surveys (PUMS II) will enable SSA to build upon the 1998 PUMS quantitative baseline measure of public understanding. An annual survey will provide annual tracking data of public understanding of SSA programs against which the outcomes of SSA performance improvement efforts can be

assessed. Quarterly targeted surveys in 16 SSA areas will test the effectiveness of several specific communications and public information outreach efforts.

PUMS II is essential to SSA's goal of strengthening public understanding about Social Security programs. The relevant Agency goal contained in SSA's strategic plan is that by the year 2005, 90 percent of all American adults will be knowledgeable about Social Security programs in five broad areas: basic program facts; the financial value of programs to individuals; the economic and social impact of SSA programs; how the programs are financed today; and financing issues. The respondents will be randomly selected adults residing in the United States.

	Annual surveys	Quarterly Surveys
Number of Respondents	4,000	12,000
Frequency of Response	1	1
Average Burden Per Response	1 12	1 12
Estimated Annual Burden	² 800	² 2,400

¹ In minutes.

² In hours.

To receive a copy of the surveys or the clearance packages, call the SSA Reports Clearance Officer on (410) 965-4145 or write to him at the address listed below. Written comments and recommendations regarding the information collection(s) should be directed to the OMB Desk Officer and SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the following addresses:

(OMB) Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Lori Schack, New Executive Office Building, Room 10230, 725 17th St., NW, Washington, D.C. 20503.

(SSA) Social Security Administration, DCFAM, Attn: Frederick W. Brickenkamp, 6401 Security Blvd., 1-A-21 Operations Bldg., Baltimore, MD 21235.

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Reports Clearance Officer, Social Security Administration.
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ACTION: Request for applications; reopening of application deadline; correction.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard reopens the deadline for applications for membership on the Great Lakes Pilotage Advisory Committee (GLPAC) and corrects information regarding payment of travel expenses and per diem for members. GLPAC advises the Coast Guard on regulations and policies for the pilotage of vessels on the Great Lakes.

DATES: Application forms should reach us on or before December 15, 1999.

ADDRESSES: You may request an application form by writing to Commandant (G-MW), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001; by calling 202-267-6164; or by facing 202-267-4700. Send your application form to the same address. This notice and the application form are available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Frank Flyntz, Executive Director of GLPAC, or Tom Lawler, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone 202-267-8140 or 202-366-0091, fax 202-267-4570.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the April 16, 1999 issue of the Federal Register (64 FR 53845) the Coast Guard advised the public of its intent to establish the Great Lakes Pilotage Advisory Committee (GLPAC) and

requested applications for membership on the committee. This notice reopens the period for submission of applications and corrects information regarding payment of travel expenses and per diem for members.

Reopening of Application Period

In the April 16 notice, the Coast Guard requested applications for membership on GLPAC, and the application period closed on June 15, 1999. We are reopening the application period until December 15, 1999. If you applied in response to the April 16 notice, you do not need to send another application form.

GLPAC is a Federal advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. App. 2. It advises the Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety and Environmental Protection on matters relating to Great Lakes pilotage. It may advise, consult with, report to, and make recommendations to the Secretary of the Department of Transportation and may make these recommendations available to the Congress.

GLPAC will meet at the call of the Secretary at least once a year. It may also meet at the call of a majority of its members. Its subcommittee and working groups may meet to consider specific problem as required.

GLPAC will be composed of seven members as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

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**Great Lakes Pilotage Advisory
Committee; Vacancies**

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.