

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nadine Washington, Supervision, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20552, (202) 906-6706.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Capital Distributions.

OMB Number: 1550-0059.

Form Number: OTS Form 1583.

Abstract: This package provides uniform treatment for capital distributions made by savings associations held by holding companies. It ensures adequate supervision of distribution of capital by those savings associations, thereby fostering safety and soundness of the thrift industry.

Current Actions: OTS proposes to renew this information collection without revision.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Affected Public: Business or For Profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 747.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 4 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,988 hours.

Request for Comments: The OTS will summarize comments submitted in response to this notice or will include these comments in its request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. The OTS invites comment on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or starting costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

John E. Werner,

Director, Information & Management Services Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Computer Matching Program Between the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of computer matching program.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) intends to conduct a recurring computer matching program. This will match personnel records of the Department of Defense (DOD) with VA records of benefit recipients under the Montgomery GI Bill.

The goal of these matches is to identify the eligibility status of veterans, servicemembers, and reservists who have applied for or who are receiving education benefit payments under the Montgomery GI Bill. The purpose of the match is to enable VA to verify that individuals meet the conditions of military service and eligibility criteria for payment of benefits determined by VA under the Montgomery GI Bill—Active Duty (MGIB) and the Montgomery GI Bill—Selected Reserve (MGIB-09SR).

DATES: This match will commence on or about September 14, 2000. At the expiration of 18 months after the commencing date the departments may renew the agreement for another 12 months.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerry Weeks (224), Acting Assistant Director for Procedures and Systems, Education Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-7181.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Further information regarding the matching program is provided below. This information is required by paragraph 6c of the "Guidelines on the Conduct of Matching Programs" issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) (54 FR 25818), as amended by OMB Circular A-130, 61 FR 6435 (1996). A copy of this has been provided to both Houses of Congress and the Office of Management and Budget. The

matching program is subject to their review.

a. *Names of participating agencies:* Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs.

b. *Purpose of the match:* The purpose of the match is to enable VA to determine whether an applicant is eligible for payment of benefits under the MGIB or the MGIB-SR and to verify continued compliance with the requirements of both programs.

c. *Authority:* The authority to conduct this match is found in 38 U.S.C. 3684A(a)(1).

d. *Categories of records and individuals covered:* The records covered include eligibility records extracted from DOD personnel files and benefit records that VA establishes for all individuals who have applied for and/or are receiving, or have received education benefit payments under the Montgomery GI Bill. These benefit records are contained in a VA system of records identified as 58VA21/22 entitled: Compensation, Pension, Education and Rehabilitation Records—VA, first published in the **Federal Register** at 41 FR 924 (March 3, 1976), and last amended at 63 FR 37941 (July 14, 1998), with other amendments as cited therein.

e. *Inclusive dates of the matching program:* The match will begin on September 14, 2000 or 40 days after the OMB review period, whichever is later and continue in effect for 18 months.

f. *Address for receipt of public inquiries or comments:* Interested individuals may submit written comments to the Director, Office of Regulations Management (02D), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Room 1154, Washington, DC 20420. Comments will be available for public inspection at the above address in the Office of Regulations Management, Room 1158, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Approved: August 2, 2000.

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Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

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