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Agency: Employment and Training Administration (ETA).

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Placement Verification and Follow-up of Job Corps Participants.

OMB Number: 1205–0426.

Frequency: On occasion; Other.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Type of Response: Reporting.

Number of Respondents: 81,191.

Annual Responses: 81,191.

Average Response Time: 15 minutes.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 17,123.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: 0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$179,989.

Description: This submission requests approval of three primary and two secondary data collection instruments that will be used to collect follow-up data on individuals who are no longer actively participating in Job Corps. The instruments are comprised of modules that include questions designed to obtain the following information: re-verification of initial job and/or school placements; employment and educational experiences; job search activities of those who are neither working nor in school; information about former participants' satisfaction with the services provided by Job Corps, and confirmation of contact information for purposes of further follow-up. The secondary instruments are used to secure placement verification from employers and educational institutions when the individuals cannot be contacted directly.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

April 23, 2006.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public

information collection requests (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of each ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting Darrin King on 202–693–4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail: king.darrin@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Employment Standards Administration (ESA), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, 202–395–7316 (this is not a toll-free number), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information 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.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Economic Survey Schedule.

OMB Number: 1215–0028.

Form Number: WH–1.

Frequency: Biennially.

Type of Response: Reporting.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit and State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 67.

Annual Responses: 67.

Average Response Time: 45 minutes.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 50.

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: \$0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), 29 U.S.C. 201 *et seq.*, §§ 5,

6(a)(3) and 8 provide that covered, non-exempt employees in American Samoa may be paid at minimum wage rates established by a Special Industry Committee, in lieu of the general federal minimum wage specified in section 6(a)(1) of the Act. The FLSA requires the Committee to recommend to the Secretary of Labor the highest minimum wage rate—not to exceed the rate required under FLSA section 6(a)(1)—that it determines, having due regard to economic and competitive conditions, will not substantially curtail employment in the industry and will not give any industry in American Samoa a competitive advantage over any industry in the U.S. outside of American Samoa. The Committee must consider competitive conditions as affected by transportation, living and production costs; the wages established by collective bargaining agreements in various industries; and wages paid by employers who voluntarily maintain minimum wage standards.

FLSA section 5(d) requires the Secretary of Labor to provide data on the matters the Committee will consider. Regulations 29 CFR 511.6 and 511.11 require that the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division (WHD) of the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) prepare for the Committee an economic report containing data pertinent to establishing industry minimum wage rates in American Samoa.

The WHD uses Form WH–1, Economic Survey Schedule, to gather the information necessary to prepare the economic report. The WHD asks all FLSA-covered employers in American Samoa to provide data. Respondents covered by the FLSA in American Samoa may voluntarily provide data concerning business operations and employment on the form. This information is essential to enable the Administrator to prepare the economic report and provide the data cited above for the Committee to use in determining minimum wage rates for the various industries in American Samoa.

Agency: Employment Standards Administration.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Statement of Recovery Forms.

OMB Number: 1215–0200.

Form Number: CA/EN–1108, SOL/EN–1108, and CA/EN–1122.

Frequency: On occasion.

Type of Response: Reporting.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit and individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 3,200.

Form No.	Average response time (hours)	Estimated annual responses	Estimated annual burden hours
CA/EN-1108	0.50	2,720	1,360
SOL/EN-1108	0.50	160	80
CA/EN-1122	0.25	320	80
Total		3,200	1,520

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: \$0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$1,344.

Description: Under section 8131 a Federal employee can sustain a work-related injury, for which he or she is eligible for compensation under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA), under circumstance that create a legal liability in some third party to pay damages for the same injury. When this occurs, section 8131 of the FECA (5 U.S.C. 8131) authorizes the Secretary of Labor to either require the employee to assign his or her right of action to the United States or to prosecute the action. When the employee receives a payment for his or her damages, whether from a final court judgment on or a settlement of the action, section 8132 of the FECA (5 U.S.C. 8132) provides that the employee "shall refund to the United States the amount of compensation paid by the United States * * *." To enforce the United States' statutory right to this refund, the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs has promulgated regulations that require both the reporting of these types of payments (20 CFR 10.710) and the submission of the type of detailed information necessary to calculate the amount of the required refund (20 CFR 10.707(e)). The information collected by Form CA/EN-1122 is requested from the claimant if he or she received a payment for damages without hiring an attorney. Form CA/EN-1108 requests this information from the attorney if one was hired to bring suit against the third party. Form SOL/EN-1108 request the same information as the CA/EN-1108 if the claimant's attorney contacts the Office of the Solicitor (SOL) directly. These forms are used to obtain information about amounts received as the result of a final judgment in litigation, or a settlement of the litigation, brought against a third party who is liable for damage due to a compensable work-related injury.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Bureau of Labor Statistics

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance 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. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting comments concerning the extension of the "BLS Occupational Safety and Health Statistics (OSHS) Cooperative Agreement Application Package." A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice on or before July 3, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Amy A. Hobby, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 4080, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20212, telephone number 202-691-7628. (This is not a toll free number.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Amy A. Hobby, BLS Clearance Officer, telephone number 202-691-7628. (See **ADDRESSES** section.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Secretary of Labor has delegated to the BLS the authority to collect, compile, and analyze statistical data on work-related injuries and illnesses, as authorized by the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (Pub. L. 91-596). The Cooperative Agreement is designed to allow the BLS to ensure conformance with program objectives. The BLS has full authority over the financial operations of the statistical program. The BLS requires financial reporting that will produce the information that is needed to monitor the financial activities of the BLS Occupational Safety and Health Statistics grantees.

II. Current Action

The BLS requests approval for a generic OSHS Cooperative Agreement from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This is not a new collection, but for the first time the BLS is soliciting comments on the application package—without its program work statements—as a generic Cooperative Agreement application. The work statements will be submitted separately to OMB for review of any minor year-to-year information collection burden changes they may contain. The Cooperative Agreement provides the basis for effectively managing the administrative and financial aspects of the program. The application package being submitted to OMB is representative of the package sent every year to State agencies and, as such, is considered to be a generic package. The existing collection of information allows Federal staff to negotiate the Cooperative Agreement with the State Grant Agencies (SGAs) and monitor their financial and programmatic performance and adherence to administrative requirements imposed by common regulations implementing OMB Circular A-102 and other grant-related regulations. The information collected also is used for planning and budgeting at the Federal level and in meeting Federal reporting requirements.

The burden estimates are based on actual experience of grantees completing the forms. Public comments on the accuracy of the burden estimates,