

initiative involves the Army's transition from a division-centric design to a standard brigade organization. The reshaping of the military force structure also includes provision for the return of units currently based overseas to United States installations as part of the GDPR. Finally, discretionary stationing actions (activations, inactivations, realignments, and relocations) are proposed, which contribute to and are interrelated with the transformation process. All BRAC and other transformation actions will collectively result in an increase of approximately 16,600 military, civilian, student and contractor personnel. Alternative A would also meet the Army transformation purpose and need, but it is not the preferred option due to the magnitude of impacts on the Red-cockaded woodpecker (RCW) (*Picoides borealis*), federally-listed endangered species. The No Action Alternative would not meet the Army's purpose and need for the BRAC 2005 and transformation actions.

Special consideration was given to the effects of Alternative A and Alternative B (the Preferred Alternative) of the Proposed Action on the natural and human environment. Mitigation measures have been adopted to avoid or minimize environmental harm from the selected alternative. Mitigation measures, as described in the ROD, will be implemented to minimize, avoid, or compensate for the significant adverse effects identified in the EIS at Fort Benning for transportation, noise, water resources, geology and soils, biological resources, cultural resources, and safety. In addition, the Army evaluated national defense needs, the synergistic relationship between BRAC, AMF, GDPR, and stationing actions, as well as meeting the purpose and need for the BRAC 2005 recommendations to include the creation of the Maneuver Center of Excellence.

The ROD states that implementing the Preferred Alternative reflects a proper balance between initiatives for protection of the environment, appropriate mitigation, and actions to achieve the Army's requirements. There are no differences in impacts to resources such as aesthetics and visual, socioeconomic, transportation, utilities, noise, hazardous and toxic materials and waste, utilities, and safety between Alternatives A and B. Alternative A does impact fewer acres, thus disturbing a lesser area of soils (and indirectly producing less fugitive dust that impacts air quality). Biological resources such as vegetation, wildlife, aquatic habitats, and unique ecological areas would also be impacted to a lesser degree, and fewer cultural resources

would be affected. Nevertheless, under Alternative A there would be a greater number of RCWs impacted if it were implemented. In the Biological Opinion, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service concurred that the preferred alternative is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of the RCW and relict trillium. Moreover, the Preferred Alternative does not introduce any greater impacts to other resources that cannot be mitigated when compared to Alternative A.

Dated: December 3, 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 11, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, Washington, DC 20503. Commenters are encouraged to submit responses electronically by e-mail to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov) or via fax to (202) 395-6974. Commenters should include the following subject line in their response "Comment: [insert OMB number]", [insert abbreviated collection name, e.g., "Upward Bound Evaluation"]. Persons submitting comments electronically should not submit paper copies.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or

Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: December 6, 2007.

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*IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.*

### Federal Student Aid

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Consolidation Loan Rebate Fee Report.

*Frequency:* Monthly.

*Affected Public:*

Businesses or other for-profit; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 12,000.

*Burden Hours:* 13,000.

*Abstract:* The Consolidation Loan Rebate Fee Report for payment by check or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) will be used by approximately 817 lenders participating in the Title IV, Part B loans program. The information collected is used to transmit interest payment rebate fees to the Secretary of Education.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3485. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-245-6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the

deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection requests.

**SUMMARY:** The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by January 2, 2008. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 11, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the emergency review should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Bridget Dooling, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. Each proposed information

collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. ED invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: December 6, 2007.

**Delores J. Barber,**

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### Institute of Education Sciences

*Type of Review:* New Collection.

*Title:* High School Longitudinal Study of 2009 (HSL:09).

*Abstract:* This is a request for emergency clearance for field test sampling. The High School Longitudinal Study of 2009 (HSL:09) is the most recent installment in the series of NCES' nationally representative longitudinal studies of high school students. The HSL:09 will assess students in math and science during the fall of their 9th grade year and again in the spring of most participating students' 11th grade year. The study will also survey students, their parents, teachers, guidance counselors, and school administrators twice during the secondary school years and follow students into their postsecondary years. The study will focus on how students navigate the transition between high school and the postsecondary world; what courses, majors (or first job), and careers students decide to pursue, when, why, and how.

*Additional Information:* To meet the timeline for the HSL:09, the Department is requesting an emergency clearance. This unanticipated event occurred since the contract was not awarded until July 6, 2007. The field test is slated to begin in Fall of 2008, which is only a year from now. The full-scale data collection is scheduled to

commence in the Fall of 2009. To ensure that the study remains on track and on time, sampling must be completed in January 2008 and school recruiting for the field test must begin by February 2008 at the very latest. The field test is scheduled to start September of 2008, and the six-month lead time should be sufficient for review and revision of the instruments before we enter schools.

*Frequency:* One time.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or household; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 4,138.

*Burden Hours:* 1,593.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3542. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-245-6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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### Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC; Notice of Compliance Filing

December 4, 2007.

Take notice that on November 30, 2007, Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC (FGT) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fourth Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, with an effective date of January 1, 2008:

First Revised Sheet No. 333