

interest, for the protection of investors, or otherwise in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

#### IV. Solicitation of Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written data, views, and arguments concerning the foregoing, including whether the proposed rule change is consistent with the Act. Comments may be submitted by any of the following methods:

##### *Electronic Comments*

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>); or
- Send an e-mail to [rule-comments@sec.gov](mailto:rule-comments@sec.gov). Please include File Number SR-NYSEALTR-2009-07 on the subject line.

##### *Paper Comments*

- Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549-1090.
- All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSEALTR-2009-07. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml>). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of the filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of the Exchange. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File Number SR-NYSEALTR-2009-07 and should be submitted on or before March 18, 2009.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>10</sup>

**Florence E. Harmon,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request and Comment Request

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages requiring clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with Public Law (Pub. L.) 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, effective October 1, 1995. This notice includes revisions and an extension of OMB-approved information collections.

SSA is soliciting comments on the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate; the need for the information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility, and clarity; and ways to minimize the burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Mail, e-mail, or fax your comments and recommendations on the information collection(s) to the OMB Desk Officer and the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the addresses or fax numbers listed below.

(OMB), Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Desk Officer for SSA, Fax: 202-395-6974, E-mail address: [OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov). (SSA), Social Security Administration, DCBFM, Attn: Reports Clearance Officer, 1332 Annex Building, 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235, Fax: 410-965-6400, E-mail address: [OPLM.RCO@ssa.gov](mailto:OPLM.RCO@ssa.gov).

I. The information collection below is pending at SSA. SSA will submit it to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. Therefore, your comments would be most helpful if you submit them to SSA within 60 days from the date of this publication. Individuals can obtain copies of the collection instrument by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at 410-965-3758 or by writing to the e-mail address listed above.

1. Medical or Psychological Review of Childhood Disability Evaluation Form (SSA-538)—20 CFR 416.1040, 416.1043, 416.1045, 416.924(g)—0960-0675. SSA's regional review component use Form SSA-536 to facilitate the contract medical or psychological consultant's

review of the Childhood Disability Evaluation Form (SSA-538). The SSA-536 records the reviewing consultant's assessment of the evaluation prepared by the adjudicating component. The consultant completes an SSA-536 for each Title XVI childhood disability case he or she reviews because a Childhood Disability Evaluation Form (SSA-538) is required in each case. The respondents are consultants who review the adjudicating component's completion of the Childhood Disability Evaluation Form (SSA-538).

*Type of Request:* Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

*Number of Respondents:* 256.

*Frequency of Response:* 66.

*Average Burden Per Response:* 12 minutes.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 3,379 hours.

2. Identifying Information for Possible Direct Payment of Authorized Fees—0960-0730. SSA uses Form SSA-1695 to collect information from appointed representatives to process and facilitate direct payment of authorized fees to a financial institution. SSA will use this information to issue a Form 1099-MISC, if applicable. The respondents are attorneys and other individuals who represent claimants for benefits before SSA.

*Type of Request:* Extension of an OMB-approved information collection.

*Number of Respondents:* 10,000.

*Frequency of Response:* 40.

*Average Burden Per Response:* 10 minutes.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 66,667 hours.

II. SSA has submitted the information collections listed below to OMB for clearance. Your comments on the information collections would be most useful if received by OMB and SSA within 30 days from the date of this publication. You can obtain a copy of the OMB clearance packages by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at 410-965-3758, or by writing to the above listed address.

Application for a Social Security Card—20 CFR 422.103-.110-0960-0066. SSA collects information on Forms SS-5 (used in the United States) and SS-5-FS (used outside the United States) to issue original or replacement Social Security cards. SSA is revising the race/ethnicity question on the forms to comply with Office of Management and Budget standards. Additionally, SSA is making several other minor changes to the form's instructions. The respondents are applicants for original and replacement Social Security cards.

*Type of Request:* Revision to an OMB-approved information collection.

<sup>10</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Application scenario	Number of annual respondents	Completion time (minutes)	Burden hours
Respondents who do not have to provide parents' SSNs .....	13,000,000	8½	1,841,667
Respondents who are asked to provide parents' SSNs (for application for original SSN cards for children under age 18) .....	540,000	9	81,000
Applicants age 12 or older who need to answer additional questions so SSA can determine whether an SSN was previously assigned .....	40,000	9½	6,333
Applicants asking for a replacement SSN card beyond the new allowable limits (i.e., who must provide additional documentation to accompany the application) .....	4,000	60	4,000
Totals .....	13,584,000	.....	1,933,000

Dated: February 18, 2009.

**John Biles,**

*Reports Clearance Officer, Center for Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice 6532]

**Meeting of the Joint Forum on Environmental Technical Cooperation ("Joint Forum") Pursuant to the United States—Jordan Joint Statement on Environmental Technical Cooperation**

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State is providing notice that, as set forth in paragraph three of the United States—Jordan Joint Statement on Environmental Technical Cooperation ("Joint Statement"), the U.S. and Jordan will hold a meeting of the Joint Forum on Environmental and Technical Cooperation ("Joint Forum") in Amman, Jordan, on March 3, 2009, at the Sheraton Amman Al Nabil Hotel & Towers, 5th Circle, P.O. Box 840064, Amman 11184. See below under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for additional details on the purpose of the meeting. During the meeting, the U.S. and Jordan will present information on cooperative environmental work they are undertaking pursuant to the Joint Statement, and will formally review and adopt a new 2008–2011 Work Program for implementing the Joint Statement. The entire meeting will be open to the public. The meeting will be conducted in English, and there will be no Arabic translation.

The Department of State invites agencies, organizations, and members of the public to submit written comments or suggestions regarding agenda items. The Department of State also invites comment on the draft 2008–2011 Work Program. In preparing such comments or suggestions, we encourage submitters

to refer to: (1) The U.S.–Jordan Joint Statement on Environmental Technical Cooperation, (2) the draft 2008–2011 Work Program Pursuant to the U.S.–Jordan Joint Statement on Environmental Cooperation, (3) the Plan of Action: U.S.–Jordan Joint Forum on Environmental Technical Cooperation, (4) Article 5 (Environment) of the Agreement Between the U.S. and the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan on the Establishment of a Free Trade Area and (5) the Environmental Review of the FTA, which are all available at: <http://www.state.gov/g/oes/env/trade/>.

**DATES:** To be assured of timely consideration, all written comments or suggestions are requested no later than February 26, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments or suggestions should be e-mailed ([dod43075@state.gov](mailto:dod43075@state.gov)) or faxed ((202) 647–5947) to Dao Do, U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Oceans, Environment, and Science, Office of Environmental Policy, with the subject line "U.S.–Jordan Joint Forum Meeting."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:** Dao Do, telephone (202) 647–6777.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In Paragraph 3 of the U.S.–Jordan Joint Statement on Environmental Technical Cooperation, the United States and Jordan establish a Joint Forum on Environmental and Technical Cooperation that will meet regularly. The mandate of the Joint Forum is to advance environmental protection in Jordan by developing environmental technical cooperation initiatives, which take into account environmental priorities, and which are agreed to by the two Governments. In paragraph 4, the Countries identify an initial focus of technical cooperation on Jordanian environmental quality issues and the development and effective implementation of Jordanian environmental laws, as defined in Articles 5.4 and 18.2(a) of the FTA.

The first Plan of Action focused on implementing a strategic vision for the Ministry of Environment in Jordan,

established in 2002, to promote sustainable economic growth and development. The plan outlined activities to, among other things, strengthen the Jordanian Ministry of Environment's capacity for setting, implementing, and ensuring compliance with environmental standards; harness market forces to protect the environment while bringing economic benefits; undertake industrial wastewater treatment and hazardous waste management for a target region; seek out economic benefits of ecotourism; and promote development of a regional network of environmental lawmakers and enforcement officials.

The new Work Program for 2008–2011 identifies long-term goals to achieve (1) Compliance with obligations in Article 5 (Environment) of the Agreement Between the U.S. and the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan on the Establishment of a Free Trade Area; (2) Improved protection and conservation of the environment, including natural resources; (3) Transparency and meaningful public participation in environmental decision-making; and (4) A culture of environmental protection and compliance with environmental laws through, among other things, the promotion of economic opportunities; voluntary measures to enhance environmental performance; and job creation. The new Work Program specifies cooperative activities in four main priority areas which reflect the "Selected Environmental Technical Cooperation Programs" listed in the Annex to the October 24, 2000 Joint Statement. These areas include institutional and policy strengthening; biodiversity conservation and improved management of protected areas; improved private sector environmental performance; and environmental education, transparency, and public participation in environmental decision-making and enforcement.

At the Joint Forum, U.S. and Jordanian officials will present information on cooperative environmental work they are