

August 1, 2003, to May 1, 2009 (or other appropriate end date for OPSS-exempt hospitals.)

**DATES:** The agency must receive a hospital's request on or before June 23, 2011, or October 11, 2011 for hospitals that did not receive notification by letter.

**ADDRESSES:** TRICARE Management Activity (TMA), Medical Benefits and Reimbursement Branch, 16401 East Centretech Parkway, Aurora, CO 80011-9066.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Martha M. Maxey, Medical Benefits and Reimbursement Branch, TMA, telephone (303) 676-3627.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In reviewing payments for hospital outpatient services, DoD has determined that, for radiology services specified in the regulation as being reimbursed under the allowable charge methodology, the technical component of the allowable charge did not approximate the Medicare fair payment for such hospital services as well as it could have. That is, in looking at the Medicare reimbursement methodologies in existence prior to adoption of Medicare's OPSS in 2000, (methodologies resulting in fair payment for Federal health care, which TRICARE allowable charges for hospitals outpatient services were intended to emulate), some radiology services were underpaid in comparison.

The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 required that TRICARE use Medicare reimbursement rates for hospitals to the extent practicable. While payments were made in accordance with 32 Code of Federal Regulation, 199.14, there is a basis for TRICARE to make discretionary net adjusted payments for radiology services for which TRICARE payments were not comparable to the pre-OPSS Medicare fair rates for the period in question.

On April 25, 2011, TMA mailed letters to thousands of hospitals notifying them of this opportunity. The hospitals (or their recovery agents) have until June 23, 2011, 60 days from the date of notification, to file an appeal for pay adjustments that will be adjudicated by TMA. Hospitals that did not receive notification by mail have 60 days from August 10, 2011.

Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) which are not subject to TRICARE's OPSS shall submit a request for the period August 1, 2003, to November 30, 2009. As of December 1, 2010, the payments to CAHs are based on reasonable cost and thus potential

adjustments would not apply. Other hospitals not subject to OPSS (such as Cancer and Children's hospitals) shall submit a request for the period August 1, 2003, to December 31, 2010.

The payment adjustment process along with the notification letter to hospitals can be viewed at TMA's Web site at: <http://www.tricare.mil/RadiologyDiscretionaryAppealAdjustments>.

Dated: July 8, 2011.

**Patricia Toppings,**  
*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Education (the Department), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the reporting burden on the public and helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, 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:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 11, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or mailed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35) requires that Federal agencies provide interested parties an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Director, Information Collection

Clearance Division, 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. 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 the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: August 4, 2011.

**Darrin A. King,**

*Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.*

### Institute of Education Sciences

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title of Collection:* Teaching and Learning International Survey (TALIS) 2013 Field Trial.

*OMB Control Number:* Pending .

*Agency Form Number(s):* N/A.

*Frequency of Responses:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 594.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 1,265.

*Abstract:* Teaching and Learning International Survey (TALIS), is an international survey of the teaching workforce, teaching as a profession, and the learning environments of schools. Data are collected through questionnaires from individual teachers and their school principals in lower secondary schools (grades 7, 8 and 9) in the United States. TALIS' main objective is to help countries review current policy and develop informed education policy by providing accurate and relevant international indicators on teachers and teaching. TALIS offers an opportunity for teachers and school principals to provide their perspectives on the state of education in their own countries. Both teacher and principal questionnaires include questions about teacher and principal background and characteristics; teacher and principal professional development; school leadership and management; teacher appraisal and feedback; teachers' instructional beliefs and pedagogical practices; school climate and ethos;

student characteristics as perceived by the teacher; and teacher efficacy and job satisfaction. TALIS is sponsored by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and managed in the United States by the National Center for Education Statistics. This submission requests Office of Management and Budget (OMB)'s clearance for (1) A spring 2012 field trial; (2) a fall 2012 recruitment of schools for the spring 2013 main study data collection; and (3) a 60-day **Federal Register** notice waiver for the next OMB clearance package to be submitted in September of 2012 for the spring 2013 main data collection..

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 4696. 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., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection and OMB Control Number when making your request.

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

### Proposed Agency Information Collection

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice and Request for Comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on DOE's intent to request OMB to renew Information Collection Request Title: OE Recovery Act Financial Assistance Grants, OMB Control No. 1910-5149 for an additional four years that DOE is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 proposed collection

of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before October 11, 2011. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be sent to:

Matthew Grosso, U.S. Department of Energy, OE/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585 or by fax at 202-586-5860, or by e-mail at [matthew.grosso@hq.doe.gov](mailto:matthew.grosso@hq.doe.gov); and

DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Matthew Grosso at [matthew.grosso@hq.doe.gov](mailto:matthew.grosso@hq.doe.gov), or <http://www.oe.energy.gov/node/11695>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This information collection request contains: (1) OMB No. 1910-5149; (2) Information Collection Request Title: OE Recovery Act Financial Assistance Grants; (3) Type of Request: *Renewal*; (4) Purpose: To collect information on the status of grantee activities, expenditures, and results, to ensure that program funds are being used appropriately, effectively and expeditiously (especially important for Recovery Act funds); (5) Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: 138; (6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 1,656; (7) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 13,248; (8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: \$1,035,000 for the first year, \$552,000 each subsequent year.

**Authority:** Title V, Subtitle E of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA; Pub. L. 110-140).

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**Terri T. Lee,**

*Chief Operating Officer, Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC11-516A-001]

### Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC 516A); Comment Request; Submitted for OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of this information collection requirement. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received no comments in response to an earlier **Federal Register** notice of May 27, 2011.

(76 FR 30927) and has made this notation in its submission to OMB.

**DATES:** Comments on the collection of information are due by September 9, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Address comments on the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, *Attention:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. Comments to OMB should be filed electronically, [c/o oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:c/o_oir_submission@omb.eop.gov) and include OMB Control Number 1902-0203 for reference. The Desk Officer may be reached by telephone at 202-395-4638.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments may be filed either on paper or on CD/DVD, and should refer to Docket No. IC11-516A-001. Documents must be prepared in an acceptable filing format and in compliance with Commission submission guidelines at <http://www.ferc.gov>