Number of Respondents: 7.
Estimated Time per Response: No more than 30 hours per quarterly report and 40 hours per annual summation.
Frequency of Response: Quarterly, with an annual summation.
Total Annual Hour Burden: No more than 1120 hours.
Total Annual “Non-Hour Burden” Cost: No “non-hour cost” burdens associated with this collection have been identified.

Needs and Uses: This collection shows the number of employees, service hours, and compensation, by employee group (e.g., executive, professional, maintenance-of-way and equipment, and transportation), of the reporting railroads. See 49 CFR 1245. The information is used by the Board to forecast labor costs and measure the efficiency of the reporting railroads. The total annual hour burden and 40 hours per annual summation.

The information is used by the Board to evaluate the impact on rail employees of proposed regulated transactions, including mergers and consolidations, acquisitions of control, purchases, and abandonments. Other Federal agencies and industry groups, including the Railroad Retirement Board, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Association of American Railroads, use the information contained in these reports to monitor railroad operations. Certain information from these reports is compiled and published on the Board’s Web site, http://www.stb.dot.gov. The information contained in these reports is not available from any other source.

Collection Number 6
Title: Annual Report of Cars Loaded and Cars Terminated.
OMB Control Number: 2140–0011. Form Number: Form STB–54.
Type of Review: Reinstatement without change of previously approved collection.
Number of Respondents: 7. Estimated Time per Response: 4 hours.
Frequency of Response: Annual.
Total Annual Hour Burden: 28 hours.
Total Annual “Non-Hour Burden” Cost: No “non-hour cost” burdens associated with this collection have been identified.

Needs and Uses: This collection reports the number of cars loaded and cars terminated on the reporting carrier’s line. See 49 CFR 1247. Information in this report is entered into the Board’s URCS, which is based on information contained in carload waybills used by railroads in the ordinary course of business, reports car loadings and total revenues by commodity code for each commodity that moved on the railroad during the reporting period. See 49 CFR 1248. Information in this report is also used by the Board to evaluate the impact on rail employees of proposed regulated transactions, including mergers and consolidations, acquisitions of control, purchases, and abandonments. Other Federal agencies and industry groups, including the Railroad Retirement Board, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Association of American Railroads, use the information contained in these reports to monitor railroad operations. Certain information from these reports is compiled and published on the Board’s Web site, http://www.stb.dot.gov. The information contained in these reports is not available from any other source.

Collection Number 7
Title: Quarterly Report of Freight Commodity Statistics (Form QCS).
OMB Control Number: 2140–0001. Form Number: None. Type of Review: Reinstatement without change of previously approved collection.
Frequency of Response: Quarterly, with an annual summation.
Total Annual Hour Burden: 6,076 hours annually.
Total Annual “Non-Hour Burden” Cost: No “non-hour cost” burdens associated with this collection have been identified.

Needs and Uses: This collection, which is based on information contained in carload waybills used by railroads in the ordinary course of business, reports car loadings and total revenues by commodity code for each commodity that moved on the railroad during the reporting period. See 49 CFR 1248. Information in this report is entered into the Board’s URCS, the uses of which are explained under Collection Number 1. There is no other source for the information contained in this report.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA, a Federal agency conducting or sponsoring a collection of information must display a currently valid OMB control number. A collection of information, which is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c), includes agency requirements that persons submit reports, keep records, or provide information to the agency, third parties, or the public. Under the PRA and 5 CFR 1320.8, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. Section 3507(b) of the PRA requires, concurrent with an agency’s submitting a collection to OMB for approval, a 30-day notice and comment period through publication in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information.

Jeffrey Herzig,
Clearance Clerk.

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[OMB Control No. 2900–0113]

Proposed Information Collection (Application for Fee or Personnel Designation) Activity: Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to determine applicants’ qualifications as a fee appraiser or compliance inspector.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before July 9, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0701.”

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Bereaved Family Member Satisfaction Survey, VA Form 10–21081(NR).

OMB Control Number: 2900–0701.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The data collected on VA Form 10–21081(NR) will be used to survey family members of deceased veterans on their satisfaction with the quality care provided to their loved one prior to his or her death at a VA facility.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on February 28, 2012 at pages 12109–12110.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,833 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One-time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 11,000.


By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,
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[OMB Control No. 2900–0674]

Agency Information Collection (Clarification of a Notice of Disagreement) Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Board of Veterans’ Appeals, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), this notice announces that the Board of Veterans’ Appeals (BVA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 11, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through