

**Background**

The Commission instituted these investigations effective May 11, 2011, following receipt of a petition filed with the Commission and Commerce by Norris Cylinder Company, Longview, Texas. The final phase of the investigations was scheduled by the Commission following notification of preliminary determinations by Commerce that imports of high pressure steel cylinders from China were subsidized within the meaning of section 703(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671b(b)) and dumped within the meaning of 733(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1673b(b)). Notice of the scheduling of the final phase of the Commission's investigations and of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** on January 23, 2012 (77 FR 3281). The hearing was held in Washington, DC, on May 1, 2012, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determinations in these investigations to the Secretary of Commerce on June 11, 2012. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 4328 (June 2012), entitled *High Pressure Steel Cylinders from China: Investigation Nos. 701-TA-480 and 731-TA-1188 (Final)*.

By order of the Commission.

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**Lisa R. Barton,**

*Acting Secretary to the Commission.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

**Comment Request for Information Collection for ETA 9162, Random Audit of EUC 2008 Claimants, Comment Request for Extension Without Change**

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor (Department), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the 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 [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps 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.

Currently, ETA is soliciting comments concerning the collection of data about Random Audit of Claimants in the Emergency Unemployment Compensation Program of 2008 (EUC08), which expires November 30, 2012.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section below on or before August 21, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to Scott Gibbons, Office of Unemployment Insurance, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210. Telephone number: 202-693-3008 (this is not a toll-free number). Individuals with hearing or speech impairments may access the telephone number above via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-877-889-5627 (TTY/TDD). Email: [gibbons.scott@dol.gov](mailto:gibbons.scott@dol.gov). A copy of the proposed information collection request

(ICR) can be obtained by contacting Mr. Gibbons.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

The ETA 9162 report is intended to provide data describing random audits of the work search provision of Public Law 112-96 (see Section 2141(b)). Random audits are conducted to ensure that claimants in EUC08 are performing an appropriate work search as required by state and Federal law. States will audit, on a weekly basis, a cohort of EUC08 claimants of pre-defined size. Any EUC08 claimant that receives a week of payment is potentially subject to random audit of their work search documentation.

**II. Review Focus**

The Department 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 submissions of responses.

**III. Current Actions**

*Type of Review:* Extension without changes.

*Title:* Random Audit of EUC 2008 Claimants.

*OMB Number:* 1205-0495.

*Affected Public:* State Workforce Agencies.

*Form(s):* ETA 9162.

Data collection activity	Number of respondents	Frequency	Total responses	Average time per response (hours)	Burden hours
Claimant burden in responding to audit .....	475,650	Onetime	475,650	0.94	445,921.9
State burden in conducting audit .....	53	Onetime	475,650	0.25	118,912.5
Record Keeping .....	475,650	Onetime	475,650	0.25	118,912.5
Ongoing Reporting .....	53	Quarterly	212	3.00	636
Total .....	.....	.....	1,427,162	.....	684,382.9

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the ICR; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: Signed in Washington, DC, this 15th day of June, 2012.

**Jane Oates,**

*Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Labor.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

**Comment Request for Information Collection for Unemployment Insurance (UI) Trust Fund Activity Reports, Extension Without Revisions**

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor (Department), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the 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 [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps 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.

Currently, ETA is soliciting comments concerning the collection of data about UI Trust Fund Activity Reporting, expiring 10/31/2012.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section below on or before August 21, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments to Joe Williams, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Workforce Security, 200 Constitution Avenue NW.,

Frances Perkins Bldg., Room S-4524, Washington, DC 20210, telephone number (202) 693-2928 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email: *Williams.joseph@dol.gov*. Individuals with hearing or speech impairments may access the telephone number above via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-877-889-5627 (TTY/TDD). A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed above.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

Section 303(a)(4) of the Social Security Act (SSA) and Section 3304(a)(3) of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA) require that all monies received in the unemployment fund of a state be paid immediately to the Secretary of Treasury to the credit of the Unemployment Trust Fund (UTF). This is the “immediate deposit” standard.

Section 303(a)(5) of the SSA and Section 3304(a)(4) of the FUTA require that all monies withdrawn from the UTF be used solely for the payment of unemployment compensation, exclusive of the expenses of administration. This is the “limited withdrawal” standard.

Federal law (Section 303(a)(6) of the SSA) gives the Secretary of Labor the authority to require the reporting of information deemed necessary to assure state compliance with the provisions of the SSA.

Under this authority, the Secretary of Labor requires the following reports to monitor state compliance with the immediate deposit and limited withdrawal standards:

- ETA 2112: UI Financial Transactions Summary, Unemployment Fund
- ETA 8401: Monthly Analysis of Benefit Payment Account
- ETA 8403: Summary of Financial Transactions—Title IX Funds
- ETA 8403A: Spending Plans for Special Distributions
- ETA 8405: Monthly Analysis of Clearing Account
- ETA 8413: Income—Expense Analysis UC Fund, Benefit Payment Account
- ETA 8414: Income—Expense Analysis UC Fund, Clearing Account

These reports are submitted to the Office of Unemployment Insurance (OUI) within ETA which uses them to:

- Monitor cash flows into and out of the UTF to determine state compliance with the immediate deposit and limited withdrawal standards.

- Assure proper accounting for unemployment funds, an integral part of preparing the Department’s consolidated financial statements required by the Chief Financial Officer Act of 1990. The UTF is the single largest asset and liability on the statements.

- Reconcile the Department’s records with the U.S. Treasury records.

- Support UI research and actuarial reports analyzing the solvency of the UTF.

**II. Review Focus**

The Department seeks renewal of this collection since the reports are essential to the Department’s financial statements and program oversight responsibilities. The Department 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 submissions of responses.

**III. Current Actions**

*Type of Review:* Extension without changes.

*Title:* Unemployment Insurance (UI) Trust Fund Activities Reports.

*OMB Number:* 1205-0154.

*Affected Public:* State Workforce Agencies.

*Form(s):* ETA 2112, 8401, 8405, 8413, 8414, 8403, 8403A.

Data collection activity	Number of respondents	Frequency	Total responses	Average time per response (in hours)	Burden hours
Reporting of ETA 2112 .....	53	Monthly ....	636	0.5	318
Reporting of ETA 8401 .....	53	Monthly ....	636	0.5	318
Reporting of ETA 8405 .....	53	Monthly ....	636	0.5	318