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POSTAL SERVICE

Board of Governors; Sunshine Act Meeting

Board Votes to Close March 5, 2013, Meeting

By telephone vote on March 5, 2013, members of the Board of Governors of the United States Postal Service met and voted unanimously to close to public observation its meeting held in Washington, DC, via teleconference. The Board determined that no earlier public notice was possible.

Matters Considered

1. Strategic Issues.

General Counsel Certification

The General Counsel of the United States Postal Service has certified that the meeting was properly closed under the Government in the Sunshine Act.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Requests for information about the meeting should be addressed to the Secretary of the Board, Julie S. Moore, at (202) 268-4800.

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RECOVERY ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY BOARD

Agency Information Collection Activities: Renewal of Currently Approved Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board (Board) invites comments on the proposed renewal of a currently approved information collection as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA).

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 28, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Atticus Reaser, Office of General Counsel,

Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board, 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20006. Alternatively, you can email comments to comments@ratb.gov. Please be sure to identify the title of the collection in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Atticus Reaser, General Counsel, 202-254-7900.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PRA and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require federal agencies to provide 60 days notice to the public for comment on information collection activities—including renewals of currently approved information collections—before seeking approval of such activities by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Accordingly, the Board invites interested respondents to comment on the following summary of proposed information collection activities regarding (i) whether the information collection activities are necessary for the Board to properly execute its functions; (ii) the accuracy of the Board's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities; (iii) ways for the Board to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (iv) ways for the Board to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public.

The Board is planning to submit the following currently approved information collection to OMB for review and approval of renewal under the PRA:

Title of Collection: Section 1512 Data Elements—Federal Financial Assistance.

ICR Reference No.: 201004-0430-001.

OMB Control No.: 0430-0004.

ICR Status: The approval for this ICR is scheduled to expire on 07/31/2013.

Description: Section 1512 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Public Law 111-5, 123 Stat. 115 (2009) (Recovery Act), requires recipients of Recovery Act funds to report on the use of those funds. These reports are submitted to FederalReporting.gov, and certain information from these reports is then posted publically. This collection pertains only to recipients of federal financial assistance.

More specifically, prime recipients, sub-recipients, and vendors who receive federal financial assistance Recovery Act funds are required to submit section 1512 data elements as set forth in the *Recipient Reporting Data Dictionary* (available electronically at <https://www.federalreporting.gov/federalreporting/downloads.do>). The

following is a cumulative summary of the reporting guidance issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in its June 22, 2009, guidance entitled, "Implementing Guidance for the Reports on Use of Funds Pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009" (M-09-21), and its December 18, 2009, guidance entitled, "Updated Guidance on the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act—Data Quality, Non-Reporting Recipients, and Reporting of Job Estimates" (M-10-08):

Prime Recipients: The prime recipient is ultimately responsible for the reporting of all data required by section 1512 of the Recovery Act and the OMB Guidance, including the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) data elements for the sub-recipients of the prime recipient required under section 1512(c)(4). In addition, the prime recipient must report three additional data elements associated with any vendors receiving funds from the prime recipient for any payments greater than \$25,000. Specifically, the prime recipient must report the identity of the vendor by reporting the DUNS number, the amount of the payment, and a description of what was obtained in exchange for the payment. If the vendor does not have a DUNS number, then the name and zip code of the vendor's headquarters will be used for identification.

Sub-Recipients of the Prime Recipient: The sub-recipients of the prime recipient may be required by the prime recipient to report the FFATA data elements required under section 1512(c)(4) for payments from the prime recipient to the sub-recipient. The reporting sub-recipients must also report one data element associated with any vendors receiving funds from that sub-recipient. Specifically, the sub-recipient must report, for any payments greater than \$25,000, the identity of the vendor by reporting the DUNS number, if available, or otherwise the name and zip code of the vendor's headquarters.

Required Data: The specific data elements to be reported by prime recipients and sub-recipients are included in the *Recipient Reporting Data Dictionary*. Below are the basic reporting requirements to be reported on prime recipients, recipient vendors, sub-recipients, and sub-recipient vendors. Where noted, the information is not entered by the recipient but rather is derived from another source:

Prime Recipient

1. Funding Agency Code
2. Awarding Agency Code

3. Program Source (TAS)
4. Award Number
5. Order Number
6. Recipient DUNS Number
7. Parent DUNS (derived from CCR)
8. Recipient Type (derived from CCR)
9. CFDA Number
10. Government Contracting Office Code
11. Recipient Congressional District
12. Recipient Account Number
13. Final Report (not FFATA)
14. Award Type
15. Award Date
16. Award Description
17. Project Name or Project/Program Title
18. Quarterly Activities/Project
19. Project Status
20. Activity Code (NAICS or NTEE–NPC)
21. Number of Jobs
22. Descriptions of Jobs Created/Retained
23. Amount of Award
24. Total Federal Amount ARRA Funds Received/Invoiced
25. Total Federal Amount of ARRA Expenditure
26. Total Federal ARRA Infrastructure Expenditure
27. Infrastructure Purpose and Rationale
28. Infrastructure Contact Information
29. Recipient Primary Place of Performance
30. Recipient Indication of Reporting Applicability
31. Recipient Officer Names and Compensation (if applicable)
32. Total Number of Sub-Awards to Individuals
33. Total Amount of Sub-Awards to Individuals
34. Total Number of Payments to Vendors Less Than \$25,000/Award
35. Total Amount of Payments to Vendors Less Than \$25,000/Award
36. Total Number of Sub-Awards Less Than \$25,000/Award
37. Total Amount of Sub-Awards Less Than \$25,000/Award

Sub-Recipient

1. Sub-Recipient DUNS
2. Sub-Award Number
3. Sub-Recipient Name and Address (derived from CCR)
4. Sub-Recipient Congressional District
5. Amount of Sub-Award
6. Total Sub-Award Funds Disbursed
7. Sub-Award Date
8. Sub-Recipient Place of Performance
9. Sub-Recipient Indication of Reporting Applicability
10. Sub-Recipient Officer Names and Compensation (if applicable)

Vendor

1. Award Number—Prime Recipient Vendor

2. Sub-Award Number—Sub-Recipient Vendor
3. Vendor DUNS Number
4. Vendor HQ Zip Code + 4
5. Vendor Name
6. Product and Service Description
7. Payment Amount

Affected Public: Recipients, as defined in section 1512(b)(1) of the Recovery Act, of Recovery Act funds (specifically, Federal financial assistance).

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 24,356.

Frequency of Responses: Quarterly.
Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 160,263.

Dated: March 26, 2013.

Atticus J. Reaser,

General Counsel, Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, Washington, DC 20549–0213.

Extension:

Rule 17Ad–10, SEC File No. 270–265, OMB Control No. 3235–0273.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) (“PRA”), the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) is soliciting comments on the existing collection of information provided for in Rule 17Ad–10, (17 CFR 240.17Ad–10), under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*). The Commission plans to submit this existing collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”) for extension and approval.

Rule 17Ad–10 generally requires registered transfer agents to: (1) Create and maintain current and accurate securityholder records; (2) promptly and accurately record all transfers, purchases, redemptions, and issuances, and notify their appropriate regulatory agency if they are unable to do so; (3) exercise diligent and continuous attention in resolving record inaccuracies; (4) disclose to the issuers for whom they perform transfer agent functions and to their appropriate regulatory agency information regarding record inaccuracies; (5) buy-in certain record inaccuracies that result in a

physical over issuance of securities; and (6) communicate with other transfer agents related to the same issuer. These requirements assist in the creation and maintenance of accurate securityholder records, enhance the ability to research errors, and ensure the transfer agent is aware of the number of securities that are properly authorized by the issuer, thereby avoiding over issuance.

The rule also has specific recordkeeping requirements. It requires registered transfer agents to retain certificate detail that has been deleted for six years and keep current an accurate record of the number of shares or principal dollar amount of debt securities that the issuer has authorized to be outstanding. These mandatory requirements ensure accurate securityholder records and assist the Commission and other regulatory agencies with monitoring transfer agents and ensuring compliance with the rule. This rule does not involve the collection of confidential information.

There are approximately 464 registered transfer agents. We estimate that the average number of hours necessary for each transfer agent to comply with Rule 17Ad–10 is approximately 80 hours per year, which generates an industry-wide annual burden of 37,120 hours (464 times 80 hours). This burden is of a recordkeeping nature but also includes a small amount of third party disclosure and SEC reporting burdens. At an average staff cost of \$50 per hour, the industry-wide internal labor cost of compliance (a monetization of the burden hours) is approximately \$1,856,000 per year (37,120 × \$50). In addition, we estimate that each transfer agent will incur an annual external cost burden of \$18,000 resulting from the collection of information. Therefore, the total annual external cost on the entire transfer agent industry is approximately \$8,352,000 (\$18,000 times 464). This cost primarily reflects ongoing computer operations and maintenance associated with generating, maintaining, and disclosing or providing certain information required by the rule.

The amount of time any particular transfer agent will devote to Rule 17Ad–10 compliance will vary according to the size and scope of the transfer agent’s business activity. We note, however, that at least some of the records, processes, and communications required by Rule 17Ad–10 would likely be maintained, generated, and used for transfer agent business purposes even without the rule.

Written comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper