year for the other respondents to prepare for the new reporting requirement. Given the advanced notice and the resources available, the Federal Reserve will retain the current attestation requirement.

G. Specific Data Items

One commenter argued that disclosure of the items associated with the LCR could expose respondents to risks under U.S. securities laws because they are not based on a final regulatory standard. The commenter also argued that the market will inappropriately use the LCR-related data to assess the liquidity positions of respondents. Another commenter noted that liquidity rules would not be in effect until 2015 and suggested that the items related to liquidity not be collected until the final rules take effect.

The BCBS recently adopted a revised systemic risk calculation that no longer uses the LCR items collected in the previous version of the report. Taking into consideration this revision along with the comments received, the Federal Reserve will remove the following six items from Schedule D: Level 1 assets, subject to operational requirements; Securities in item 7 that are trading or AFS securities; Level 2 assets, with haircuts and subject to operational requirements; Securities in item 8 that are trading or AFS securities; Adjustment to high quality liquid assets (HQLA) due to caps on Level 2B and total Level 2 assets; and Amount of item 9 attributable to trading and AFS securities. The two LCR-related items that remain reflect the liquidity of the bank’s trading and AFS securities. These items are not subject to the same confidentiality concerns since they can be reasonably estimated based on public FR Y–9C data. The Federal Reserve believes this more limited disclosure mitigates the risk of market participants trying to use systemic risk measures on the FR Y–15 to assess a firm’s liquidity position. To avoid any potential misinterpretation, the Federal Reserve will remove the reference to HQLA in one of the remaining items (Total trading and AFS securities less HQLA).

One commenter asked that a de minimis exemption be considered for line items unique to the FR Y–15. Due to the rounding rules specified in the instructions (see General Instructions, Section C), amounts less than $500,000 are not reported when respondents choose to report their figures in millions. Therefore, a de minimis exemption already exists within the report. This exemption will be left unchanged.

Commenters asked for a number of technical clarifications regarding specific data items on the FR Y–15 form. The Federal Reserve has addressed these questions in the finalized version of the FR Y–15 instructions.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 17, 2013.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Secretary of the Board.
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Government Accountability and Transparency Board’s mandate appears in Executive Order 13576 (June 13, 2011), which in short states that the Board shall:

• Provide strategic direction for enhancing transparency of federal spending and advance efforts to detect and remediate fraud, waste, and abuse in federal programs; and

• Work with the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board (RATB) to build on lessons learned and apply the approaches developed by the RATB across federal spending.

Agenda: The purpose of the January 22, 2014 meeting is to allow the public to make presentations to the GAT Board regarding accountability and transparency for federal expenditures made through contracts and grants.

The GAT Board Chairman will make a brief opening statement. The rest of the meeting will feature presentations by members of the public on the following:

1. Who do you represent?
2. What questions are you trying to answer with federal spending information?
3. What federal spending information do you need to answer these questions?
4. Where do you find that federal spending information now?
5. Where does federal spending information need clearer instructions or explanations?
6. What suggestions do you have for prioritizing federal spending information enhancements?

The GAT Board is collecting this information at the meeting for strategic advisory purposes, to help the Board in developing its annual plan (Calendar Year 2014 Way Forward document). Note that the Board is not a decision-making body, nor does it have funding and staff. The Board provides strategic advice to interagency working groups.

Procedures for notifying the Board of attendance: Persons wishing to attend the meeting should email their names and represented organization (or indicate “self”) to federaltransparency@ratb.gov and write “January 22, 2014 GAT Board RSVP” in the subject line.

Street Address: You may submit your RSVP by mail to 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20006. “GAT Board public meeting RSVP” should be written on the envelope.

Procedures for submitting public comments or presentation materials: In addition to notifying the Board of attendance, persons wishing to present to the GAT Board at the meeting should email their written comments and/or...
presentation materials to federaltransparency@OMB.gov and write “January 22, 2014 GAT Board public comment” in the subject line. Provide these written comments or presentation materials on the six topics listed above at least one week prior to the meeting (no later than January 15, 2014).

Street Address: You may submit written comments or presentation materials by mail to 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20006. “GAT Board public meeting comments” should be written on the envelope.

Presentations: The GAT Board will provide the necessary visual equipment to project the submitted presentations to the audience the day of the meeting. Hard copies will not be provided.

Space and Time Limitations: There will be limited space for this meeting; therefore, members of the public who have submitted written comments and/or signed up in advance to make presentations will be given priority in attending this meeting and speaking to the GAT Board. Other members of the public will be admitted and heard in the order in which they sign up, time permitting. A time limit of no more than 20 minutes each (followed by a 10 minute question and answer session) will be placed on those members of the public wishing to speak at the meeting. The GAT Board will make every effort to hear the views of all interested persons. The Chairperson of the GAT Board is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, to the Chairperson’s judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Meeting Record: The submitted presentations will be the only record of the meeting and will be posted on the GAT Board Web site after the public meeting.

Arrival: Interested parties are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes early to accommodate security procedures. A valid government-issued photo identification card will be required to enter the building.

Special Conditions: The public meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Request for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Nancy DiPaolo, Chief, Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, Recovery Board, 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC 20006; Telephone 202–254–7900, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

Availability of background materials for the meeting: Several documents available on the Board’s Web site provide information on GAT Board activities during Calendar Year 2013 (see http://www.federaltransparency.gov/about/Pages/gath.aspx):

- The GAT Board’s annual plan (Calendar Year 2013 Way Forward document), which contains the Board’s long-term strategy and the near-term focus of working groups to develop approaches to (1) standardize key data elements to improve procurement data integrity; (2) standardize key data elements to improve grants data integrity; (3) leverage existing data to help improve oversight; and (4) link financial management systems with award systems.
- Progress made in Calendar Year 2013. The Calendar Year 2013 meeting minutes of the GAT Board contain information on progress made, including the GAT Board working groups’ briefings.


Anne Rung, Associate Administrator, Office of Government-wide Policy, General Services Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services


Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is announcing an opportunity for the public to comment on CMS’ intention to collect information from the public. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, and to allow a second opportunity for public comment on the notice. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency’s functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

DATES: Comments on the collection(s) of information must be received by the OMB desk officer by January 21, 2014.

ADDRESSES: When commenting on the proposed information collections, please reference the document identifier or OMB control number. To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be received by the OMB desk officer via one of the following transmissions: OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: CMS Desk Officer, Fax Number: (202) 395–5806 OR, Email: OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, you may make your request using one of following:

2. Email your request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and CMS document identifier, to Paperwork@cms.hhs.gov.
3. Call the Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786–1326.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Reports Clearance Office at (410) 786–1326.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. The term “collection of information” is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) requires federal agencies to publish a 30-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension or reinstatement of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, CMS is publishing this notice that summarizes the following proposed collection(s) of information for public comment:

1. Type of Information Collection Request: Extension without change of a currently approved collection; Title of Information Collection: Recognition of