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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NRC staff issued RG 5.18 in January 1974 to provide guidance on meeting the material control and accounting (MC&A) requirements in part 70 of title 10 the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), "Domestic Licensing of Special Nuclear Material." Part 70 then contained MC&A requirements, including those in 10 CFR 70.51, "Material Balance, Inventory, and Records Requirements" that were established in 1973. Specifically, 10 CFR 70.51(a)(5) defined the term "Limit of error," and 10 CFR 70.51(e) required licensees to calculate statistical limits of error for any material unaccounted for as part of their MC&A procedures. Part 70 regulations no longer contain any MC&A requirements, and licensees are no longer required to calculate statistical limits of error for any material unaccounted for. In 1985, 10 CFR part 74, "Material Control and Accounting of Special Nuclear Material," was established, and in 2002, the 10 CFR 70.51 requirements were transferred to 10 CFR part 74 which now includes the current MC&A requirements. As part of the 2002 MC&A revisions, the term "limit of error" was replaced by the term "standard error," and licensees are now required to calculate the "inventory difference" (as defined in 10 CFR 74.4) rather than determining the amounts of material that are "unaccounted for." The "standard error" is used in evaluating the significance of an inventory difference (ID).

Guidance for calculating the "standard error" of the ID is found in NUREG-1065, "Acceptable Standard Format and Content for the Fundamental Nuclear Material Control (FNMC) Plan Required for Low-Enriched Uranium Facilities" (ADAMS Accession No. ML031340288), NUREG-1280, "Standard Format and Content Acceptance Criteria for the Material Control and Accounting (MC&A) Reform Amendment" (ADAMS Accession No. ML13253A308), and NUREG/CR-5734, "Recommendations to the NRC on Acceptable Standard Format and Content for the Fundamental Nuclear Material Control (FNMC) Plan Required for Low-Enriched Uranium Enrichment Facilities" (ADAMS Accession No. ML15120A354).

In addition, RG 5.18 endorsed the American National Standards Institute Standard N15.16-1974, "Limit of Error Concepts and Principles of Calculation

in Nuclear Materials Control," to provide guidance on the "limit of error" concept. However, this standard has been withdrawn from active status with no replacement.

The NRC is withdrawing RG 5.18 because it is no longer needed. Withdrawal of an RG means that the guide no longer provides useful information or has been superseded by other guidance, technological innovations, congressional actions, or other events. The withdrawal of RG 5.18 does not alter any prior or existing NRC licensing approval or the acceptability of licensee commitments to RG 5.18. Although RG 5.18 is withdrawn, current licensees may continue to use it, and withdrawal does not affect any existing licenses or agreements. However, 5.18 should not be used in future requests or applications for NRC licensing actions.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 21st day of February 2017.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Harriet Karagiannis,

Acting Chief, Regulatory Guidance and Generic Issues Branch, Division of Engineering, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

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PEACE CORPS

Information Collection Request; Submission for OMB Review

AGENCY: Peace Corps.

ACTION: 60-day notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Peace Corps will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment in the **Federal Register** preceding submission to OMB. We are conducting this process in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

DATES: Submit comments on or before May 1, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Denora Miller, FOIA/Privacy Act Officer. Denora Miller can be contacted by telephone at 202-692-1236 or email at pcf@peacecorps.gov. Email comments must be made in text and not in attachments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denora Miller at Peace Corps address above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Confidential Reference Form.

OMB Control Number: 0420-0006.
Type of Request: Revision.
Affected Public: Individuals.
Respondents Obligation to Reply: Voluntary.

Respondents: Individuals.
Burden to the Public:
Estimated burden (hours) of the collection of information:

- a. Number of respondents .. 18,000.
- b. Frequency of response ... one time.
- c. Completion time 10 minutes.
- d. Annual burden hours 3,000 hours.

General Description of Collection: The reference form is a tool that the Peace Corps employs to ensure a standardized suitability review of applicants. The Assessment and Placement Officer requests the completion of the reference form and uses the information therein to assist in determining the suitability and competitiveness of the applicant.

Request for Comment: Peace Corps invites comments on whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for proper performance of the functions of the Peace Corps, including whether the information will have practical use; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the information to be collected; and, ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques, when appropriate, and other forms of information technology.

This notice is issued in Washington, DC, on February 23, 2017.

Denora Miller,

FOIA/Privacy Act Officer, Management.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Comment Request for Review of a Revised Information Collection: Multi-State Plan Program External Review Case Intake Form, OPM Form 1840

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) intends to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review of a revision of a currently approved collection, the Multi-State Plan Program External Review Intake Form, OPM Form 1840. Approval of the revised Multi-State Plan

Program External Review Intake Form is necessary to improve the collection of information from members of the Multi-State Plan Program who need to request the external review of a disputed adverse benefit decision.

DATES: Comments due by May 1, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to: Donna Lease Batdorf, Multi-State Plan Program National Healthcare Operations, Healthcare and Insurance, Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street NW., Room 3468, Washington, DC 20415.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: FOR INFORMATION REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION CONTACT: For copies of this proposal, contact C.C. “Corky” Conyers, Ph.D., C.I.O. P.R.A./Forms Officer at (202) 606-0125, or via email to Charles.Conyers@opm.gov. Please include a mailing address with your request.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, May 22, 1995), as amended by the Clinger-Cohen Act (Pub. L. 104-106), OPM is soliciting comments for this collection. The previous collection (OMB No. 3206-0263) was published in the **Federal Register** on November 26, 2013 at 78 FR 70598. Comments are particularly invited on:

1. Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Office of Personnel Management, and whether it will have practical utility;

2. Whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; and

3. Ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of the appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Analysis

Agency: Multi-State Plan Program, National Healthcare Operations, Healthcare and Insurance, Office of Personnel Management.

Title: External Review Intake Form.
OMB: 3206-0263.

Frequency:

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Number of Respondents: 800.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 60 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 800 hours.

Kathleen M. McGettigan,

Acting Director, U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Excepted Service

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice identifies Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency that were established or revoked from August 1, 2016 to August 31, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Senior Executive Resources Services, Senior Executive Service and Performance Management, Employee Services, 202-606-2246.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 5 CFR 213.103, Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities available for use by all agencies are codified in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities applicable to a single agency are not codified in the CFR, but the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) publishes a notice of agency-specific authorities established or revoked each month in the **Federal Register** at www.gpo.gov/fdsys/. OPM also publishes an annual notice of the consolidated listing of all Schedule A, B, and C appointing authorities, current as of June 30, in the **Federal Register**.

Schedule A

No schedule A authorities to report during August 2016.

Schedule B

No schedule B authorities to report during August 2016.

Schedule C

The following Schedule C appointing authorities were approved during August 2016.

Agency name	Organization name	Position title	Request No.	Effective date
Department of Agriculture	Office of the Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics.	Senior Advisor	DA160161	08/05/2016
Department of Commerce	Farm Service Agency	Special Assistant	DA160164	08/13/2016
	Office of Executive Secretariat	Associate Director, Office of the Executive Secretariat.	DC160184	08/04/2016
	Office of Scheduling and Advance	Senior Advisor	DC160185	08/04/2016
		Director of Scheduling and Special Advisor.	DC160196	08/17/2016
	Office of Business Liaison	Deputy Director	DC160186	08/04/2016
	Office of the Chief of Staff	Confidential Assistant	DC160190	08/04/2016
		Special Advisor	DC160191	08/05/2016
	Economic Development Administration.	Senior Advisor	DC160195	08/17/2016
	Department of Defense	Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (International Security Affairs).	Special Assistant for Middle East Policy.	DD160165
Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy).		Correspondence Assistant, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.	DD170001	08/12/2016
		Special Assistant for Middle East Policy.	DD160176	08/25/2016
Washington Headquarters Services.		Defense Fellow (5)	DD160170	08/16/2016
			DD160171	08/16/2016
		DD160179	08/29/2016	
		DD160181	08/29/2016	
		DD160185	08/29/2016	
	Office of the Secretary	Special Assistant		