

comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information before submitting them to the OMB for final approval. This program helps to ensure 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 can be properly assessed.

State UI agencies report data on the ETA 581 report in order to measure performance, accuracy and promptness in employer registrations, timeliness of filing contribution and wage reports by employers, collections (accounts receivable), and field audits of employers. Data on the report also measures state efforts to detect employer tax avoidance schemes, which is known as State Unemployment Tax Act (SUTA) Dumping. Section 303(k) of the Social Security Act requires states to detect SUTA Dumping. ETA uses the information reported on the report to monitor and measure program performance and make projections and forecasts in conjunction with the budgetary process. Sections 303(a)(6) and (k) of the Social Security Act authorizes this information collection.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6.

Interested parties are encouraged to provide comments to the contact shown in the **ADDRESSES** section. Comments must be written to receive consideration, and they will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of the final ICR. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1205-0178.

Submitted comments will also be a matter of public record for this ICR and posted on the Internet, without redaction. The DOL encourages commenters not to include personally identifiable information, confidential business data, or other sensitive statements/information in any comments.

The DOL is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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 submission of responses.

Agency: DOL-ETA.

Type of Review: Extension without changes.

Title of Collection: Contribution Operations, ETA-581.

Form: ETA 581, Contribution Operations.

OMB Control Number: 1205-0178.

Affected Public: State governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 53.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 212.

Estimated Average Time per Response: 7.5 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden

Hours: 1,590 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Other Cost Burden: \$0.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

Nancy M. Rooney,

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Biological Sciences; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation (NSF) announces the following meeting:

Name and Committee Code: Advisory Committee for Biological Sciences (#11110).

Date and Time: December 19, 2017; 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Room E 3410, Alexandria, VA 22314.

Please contact Rachel Evans at rlevans@nsf.gov to obtain a visitor badge. All visitors to the NSF will be required to show photo ID to obtain a badge.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Brent Miller, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Room C 12016, Alexandria, VA 22314; Tel No.: (703) 292-8400.

Purpose of Meeting: The Advisory Committee for the Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO) provides advice, recommendations, and oversight concerning major program emphases, directions, and goals for the research-related activities of the divisions that make up BIO.

Agenda: This meeting will be held telephonically among the Advisory Committee members; public visitors will be able to attend the meeting in person at NSF headquarters. Agenda items will include welcoming new Advisory Committee (AC) members, review of the AC's function, discussion of potential future AC activities, and other matters relevant to the Directorate for Biological Sciences.

Dated: November 6, 2017.

Crystal Robinson,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permits Issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permits issued.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish notice of permits issued Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. This is the required notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nature McGinn, ACA Permit Officer, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314; 703-292-8224; email: ACApermits@nsf.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 14, 2017, the National Science Foundation published a notice in the **Federal Register** of a permit application received. The permit was issued on October 16, 2017 to:

1. Jay J. Rotella, Permit No. 2018-012
2. Linnea Pearson, Permit No. 2018-013