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Betsy DeVos,

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2018-ICCD-0134]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; FSA Payment Vehicle Account (PVA) Program Pilot Institutions

AGENCY: Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a new information collection. **DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 25, 2019.

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use http://www.regulations.gov by searching the Docket ID number ED-2018–ICCD–0134. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http:// www.regulations.gov by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 550 12th Street SW, PCP, Room 9086, Washington, DC 20202-0023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebeldinger, 202–377–4018.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of

information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: FSA Payment Vehicle Account (PVA) Program Pilot Institutions.

OMB Control Number: 1845–NEW. Type of Review: A new information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Private Sector; State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 40.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 1,250.

Abstract: This is a request for clearance of a new information collection to be used to obtain information from institutions of higher education (IHEs) that participate in the student financial assistance programs under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. This information collection will be used to invite IHEs to complete an application questionnaire to participate in Federal Student Aid's (FSA) Next Generation Financial Services Environment— Payment Vehicle Account (PVA) program pilot as well as a follow-on questionnaire used to ask pilot progress questions to gauge early pilot progress. We are requesting that the full clearance package be filed and that the 60 day public comment period be initiated at this time.

Dated: December 18, 2018.

Kate Mullan,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Falcon and Amistad Projects' Rate Order No. WAPA-186

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration (WAPA), DOE.

ACTION: Notice of proposed extension for the Falcon and Amistad Projects' firm power rate formula.

SUMMARY: WAPA proposes extending the Falcon and Amistad Projects' firm power rate formula through June 7, 2024. The Falcon and Amistad Projects' firm power rate formula expires June 7, 2019.

DATES: The comment period will begin December 26, 2018 and end January 25, 2019. WAPA will accept written comments any time during the comment period. Upon completion of the comment period, WAPA will take further action on the proposed rate formula extension consistent with 10 CFR 903.23(a).

ADDRESSES: Written comments and requests to be informed of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) actions concerning the rates submitted by WAPA to FERC for approval should be sent to: Mr. Brent Osiek, Power Marketing Manager, Colorado River Storage Project Management Center, Western Area Power Administration, 299 South Main Street, Suite 200, Salt Lake City, UT 84111, (801) 524–5495, email: osiek@wapa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr.

Thomas Hackett, Rates Manager, Colorado River Storage Project Management Center, Western Area Power Administration, 299 South Main Street, Suite 200, Salt Lake City, UT 84111, (801) 524–5503, email: hackett@ wapa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Falcon and Amistad Dams are features of international water storage projects located on the Rio Grande River between Texas and Mexico. The portion of the dams located in the United States is operated by the United States International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC). Under arrangements with the United States Department of State and USIBWC,