

SUMMARY: The Small Business Administration (SBA) is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act and OMB procedures, SBA is publishing this notice to allow all interested member of the public an additional 30 days to provide comments on the proposed collection of information.

DATES: Submit comments on or before October 29, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to the information collection by title and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: *Agency Clearance Officer, Curtis Rich, Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW, 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20416; and SBA Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Curtis Rich, Agency Clearance Officer, (202) 205-7030, *curtis.rich@sba.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Copies: You may obtain a copy of the information collection and supporting documents from the Agency Clearance Officer.

In recognition of the small business community's contributions to the nation's economy, the President of the United States designates one week each year as Small Business Week. As part of that week's activities the Small Business Administration (SBA) issues recognition awards to various small business owners, entrepreneurs and advocates. Award nominees and nominators submit this information to SBA for use in evaluating their eligibility for an award, verifying accuracy of information submitted, and determining whether there are any actual or potential conflicts of interest.

Summary of Information Collections

Title: Small Business Administration Award Nomination.

Description of Respondents: Small Business Owners and Advocates who have been nominated for an SBA recognition award.

Form Number: 3300-3314.

Estimated Annual Responses: 600.

Estimated Annual Hour Burden: 900.

Curtis Rich,
Management Analyst.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Interest Rates

The Small Business Administration publishes an interest rate called the optional "peg" rate (13 CFR 120.214) on a quarterly basis. This rate is a weighted average cost of money to the government for maturities similar to the average SBA direct loan. This rate may be used as a base rate for guaranteed fluctuating interest rate SBA loans. This rate will be 0.88 percent for the October-December quarter of FY 2021.

Pursuant to 13 CFR 120.921(b), the maximum legal interest rate for any third party lender's commercial loan which funds any portion of the cost of a 504 project (see 13 CFR 120.801) shall be 6% over the New York Prime rate or, if that exceeds the maximum interest rate permitted by the constitution or laws of a given State, the maximum interest rate will be the rate permitted by the constitution or laws of the given State.

Dianna L. Seaborn,

Director, Office of Financial Assistance.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

[Docket No. SSA-2020-0046]

Charging Standard Administrative Fees for Non-Program Information

AGENCY: Social Security Administration.

ACTION: Notice of updated schedule of standard administrative fees.

SUMMARY: On August 22, 2012, we announced in the **Federal Register** a schedule of standard administrative fees we charge to the public. We charge these fees to recover our full costs when we provide information and related services for non-program purposes. We are announcing an update to the previously published schedule of standard administrative fees. The updated standard fee schedule is part of our continued effort to standardize fees for non-program information requests. Standard fees provide consistency and ensure we recover the full cost of supplying information when we receive a request for a purpose not directly related to the administration of a program under the Social Security Act (Act).

DATES: The changes described above are applicable for requests we receive on or after October 1, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Hunter, Social Security

Administration, Office of Finance, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235-6401, (410) 965-5861. For information on eligibility or filing for benefits, visit our website, *socialsecurity.gov*, or call our national toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213 or TTY 1-800-325-0778.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1106 of the Act and the Privacy Act¹ authorize the Commissioner of Social Security to promulgate regulations regarding the fees related to providing information. Our regulations and operating instructions identify when we will charge fees for information.² Under our regulations, whenever we determine a request for information is for any purpose not directly related to the administration of the Social Security programs, we require the requester to pay the full cost of providing the information.³ To inform the public of these fees, on August 22, 2012,⁴ we announced in the **Federal Register** a schedule of standard administrative fees we charge to the public. We last updated the schedule of standard fees on September 4, 2018.⁵

New Information: We are required to review and update standard administrative fees at least every two years.⁶ Based on the most recent cost analysis, the following table provides the new schedule of standard administrative fees per request:

Copying an Electronic Folder: \$41.
Copying a Paper Folder: \$83.
*Regional Office Certification*⁷: \$64.
Record Extract: \$34.
Third Party Manual SSN Verification: \$36.
*Office of Central Operations Certification*⁸: \$30.
*W-2/W-3 Requests*⁹: \$90.
Form SSA-7050, Request for Social Security Earning Information: \$92.
Requests for Copy of Original Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card: \$21.
Requests for Copy of Numident Record (Computer Extract of the SS-5): \$20.

¹ 42 U.S.C. 1306 and 5 U.S.C. 552a(f)(5), respectively.

² See 20 CFR 401.95, 402.170, and 402.175; Program Operations Manual System (POMS) GN 03311.005.

³ See 42 U.S.C. 1306(c) and 20 CFR 402.175.

⁴ 77 FR 50757.

⁵ 83 FR 45002.

⁶ See the Office of Management and Budget Circular No. A-25, *User Charges*.

⁷ Requests received in a field office, regional office, or headquarters component.

⁸ Requests received in the Office of Central Operations.

⁹ W-2/W-3 Fee is \$90 per request, not dependent on the number of years or number of individuals within request.