

certain transactions have not been reconfirmed and therefore subsequently will not settle. By providing for the contraside to receive information on why the transaction was not reconfirmed, the proposal may enable the contraside to amend their submission in order to create a match. Thus, the proposal may increase the number of trades that settle. The modifications also encourage members to respond to contraside submissions to prevent a DK and the loss of a member's rights with respect to the transaction. This should result in more trades being resolved in the RECAPS process. Therefore, the Commission believes that the proposal could resolve a higher percentage of unreconfirmed trades and thus facilitate the prompt and accurate clearance and settlement of transactions.

III. Conclusion

On the basis of the foregoing, the Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with the requirements of the Act and in particular Section 17A of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act, that the proposed rule change (File No. SR-NSCC-96-18) be and hereby is approved.

For the Commission by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.⁶

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection Request

The Social Security Administration publishes a list of information collection packages that will require submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance in compliance with Public Law 104-13 effective October 1, 1995, The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection(s) listed below requires extension of the current OMB approval(s):

1. State Agency Schedule for Equipment Purchases for SSA Disability Program—0960-0406. The information collected on form SSA-871 is used by the Social Security Administration to budget and account for expenditures of funds for equipment purchases by the State Disability Determination Services

that administer the disability program. The respondents are State Disability Determination Services.

Number of Respondents: 54.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Average Burden Per Response: 1 hour.

Estimated Annual Burden: 54 hours.

2. Work Reintegration Study—0960-0543. The purpose of the Work Reintegration Study is to identify those incentives and interventions that are most successful in assisting persons who are disabled due to a back condition to return to work. The information collected will be used primarily to complete a cross-national analysis of this issue. Data will also be gathered on subjects of particular importance in the U.S. The findings will provide policy-makers with information that will be highly useful in establishing disability policy. The respondents are persons entitled to Social Security Disability Insurance, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or State Temporary Disability Insurance.

Number of Respondents: 800.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 1 hour.

Estimated Annual Burden: 800 hours.

3. Statement for Determining Continuing Eligibility for Supplemental Security Income Payments—0960-0416. The information collected by the Social Security Administration on form SSA-8203 is used to determine whether SSI recipients have met and continue to meet all statutory and regulatory requirements for SSI eligibility and whether they have been and are still receiving the correct payment amount. The information collected also will assist agencies administering Medicaid programs in ascertaining the legal liability of third parties to pay for care and services. The respondents are recipients of SSI benefits or their representative payees.

Number of Respondents: 552,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 17 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 156,400 hours.

To receive a copy of the form(s) or clearance package(s), call the SSA Reports Clearance Officer on (410) 965-4125 or write to her at the address listed below. Written comments and recommendations regarding these information collections should be sent within 60 days from the date of this publication directly to the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the following address: Social Security Administration, DCFAM, Attn: Judith T. Hasche, 1-A-21 Operations Bldg., 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235.

In addition to your comments on the accuracy of the agency's burden

estimate, we are soliciting comments on the need for the information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility and clarity; and on ways to minimize burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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

The information collections listed below, which were published in the Federal Register on October 2 and October 11, 1996 have been submitted to OMB.

1. Privacy and Disclosure of Official Records and Information; Availability of Information and Records to the Public—20 CFR 401 and 402; 0960-NEW. The respondents are individuals requesting access to their SSA records, correction of their SSA records and disclosure of SSA records. The information is required to:

(a) Identify individuals who request access to their records.

Number of Respondents: 10,000.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Average Burden Per Response: 11 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,833 hours.

(b) Designate an individual to receive and review a recordholder's sensitive medical records in accordance with 20 CFR 401.55, and for the disclosure of such records to the recordholder by his/her designee.

Number of Respondents: 3,000.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Average Burden Per Response: 2 hours (This includes the time needed for the designee to review the recordholder's medical records.)

Estimated Annual Burden: 6,000.

(c) Correct or amend records.

Number of Respondents: 100.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 17 hours.

(d) Obtain consent from an individual to release his/her records to others.

Consents are submitted by letter in writing or by use of a form SSA-3288.

Number of Respondents: 200,000.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Average Burden Per Response: 3 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 10,000 burden hours.

(e) Facilitate the release of information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Number of Respondents: 15,000.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Average Burden Per Response: 5 minutes.

⁶ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12) (1996).

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,250 hours.

(f) Grant a waiver or reduction of fees for records requested under FOIA.

Number of Respondents: 400.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Average Burden Per Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 33 hours.

2. Report of New Information in Disability Cases—0960–0071. The information collected on form SSA–612 is needed by the Social Security Administration to determine whether an event or change in circumstances will affect an individual's disability benefits. The information will be used to determine continued eligibility for disability payments. The respondents are disabled social security beneficiaries or their representative payees.

Number of Respondents: 200,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 16,667.

3. Instructions for Completion of Federal Assistance Application Form SSA–96 for SSA Research and Demonstration Grant Programs —0960–0184. The information collected on form SSA–96 is needed by the Social Security Administration to evaluate and select grant proposals for funding. The respondents are applicants for federal assistance, including State and local governments, educational institutions and other nonprofit and for-profit organizations.

Number of Respondents: 200.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Average Burden Per Response: 14 hours.

Estimated Annual Burden: 2,800 hours.

4. Request to be Selected as Payee—0960–0014. The information collected on form SSA–11–BK is needed by the Social Security Administration to determine the proper payee for a Social Security beneficiary. The information is used to establish an applicant's relationship to the beneficiary, his/her justification and concern for the beneficiary, and the manner in which the benefits will be used. The respondents are applicants for representative payee of individuals receiving title II, title XVI and Black Lung benefits.

Number of Respondents: 1,709,657.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 11 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 313,437.

5. Supplemental Security Income Claim Information Notice—0960–0324. The information collected on form SSA–L8050–U3 is used by the Social Security

Administration to ensure that all sources of potential income which can be used to provide for an individual's own support and maintenance are utilized. The respondents are applicants for SSI and recipients who are potentially eligible for benefits from other public or private programs.

Number of Respondents: 7,500.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 1,250 hours.

6. Supplemental Security Income—Quality Review Case Analysis; 0960–0133. The information collected on form SSA–8508–BK is used by the Social Security Administration to assess the effectiveness of SSI policies and procedures and to establish payment accurate rates. The respondents are a random sample of SSI recipients.

Number of Respondents: 14,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 60 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 14,000 hours.

7. Marital Relationship Questionnaire—0960–0460. The information collected on form SSA–4178 is needed by the Social Security Administration to determine whether unrelated individuals of the opposite sex who are living together present themselves to the public as husband and wife. The information is used to determine whether correct payment is being made to SSI couples and individuals.

Number of Respondents: 5,100.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 425 hours.

8. Psychiatric Review Technique—0960–0413. The information collected on form SSA–2506 by the Social Security Administration is needed to assist in the adjudication of claims involving mental impairments. The information is used to identify the need for additional evidence for the determination of impairment severity; to consider aspects of the mental impairment relevant to the individual's ability to work; and to organize and present the findings in a clear, concise manner. The respondents are State Disability Determination Services administering title II and title XVI disability programs.

Number of Responses: 796,346.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 199,087.

9. Letter to Employer Requesting Information About Wages Earned—

0960–0034. The information collected on form SSA–L725 will be used by the Social Security Administration (SSA) to establish the exact amount of wages earned by a beneficiary. The data is requested only in cases where the information in SSA's records is incomplete or has been questioned. The respondents are employers who provide the wage information necessary to resolve wage discrepancies.

Number of Respondents: 150,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 30–50 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 100,000.

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(OMB)

Office of Management and Budget,
OIRA, Attn: Laura Oliven, New
Executive Office Building, Room
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D.C. 20503

(SSA)

Social Security Administration,
DCFAM, Attn: Judith T. Hasche, SSA
Reports Clearance Officer, 1–A–21
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Dated: November 27, 1996.

Judith T. Hasche,

*Reports Clearance Officer, Social Security
Administration.*

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[CGD 95–066]

National Environmental Policy Act; Final Environmental Impact Statement for the USCG Atlantic Protected Living Marine Resource Initiative

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the record of decision.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard announces the availability of the approved Record of Decision for the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Atlantic Protected Living Marine Resource