

OMB emergency approval rather than the normal approval process established in 5 CFR Part 1320.

The participating air carriers regard their causal data as confidential, proprietary business information; and have agreed to voluntarily submit the data on the condition that the Federal government use the data for internal purposes and not published or released the data to the general public. In addition, the air carriers expressed concerns that, at least initially, there would be technical difficulties with the new voluntary reporting system which could affect the accuracy of the resulting information. While BTS believes that reports on causal data will eventually be useful to airline consumers, this information must be accurate and reliable. Thus, BTS has agreed to treat the air carriers' voluntary causal data as confidential business information. In order to gather public comment on a delay and cancellation reporting system, BTS is drafting a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that will propose the framework for a reporting system. Once the NPRM becomes a final rule, BTS intends release and publish causal data.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by October 1, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to: Office of Airline Information, K-25, Room 4125, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001, FAX NO. 366-3383 or EMAIL bernard.stankus@bts.gov.

Comments: Comments should identify the OMB # 2138-NEW. Persons wishing the Department to acknowledge receipt of their comments must submit with those comments a self-addressed stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: Comments on OMB # 2138-NEW. The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bernie Stankus Office of Airline Information, K-25, Room 4125, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001, (202) 366-4387.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval No. 2138-NEW

Title: Reporting the Causes of Airline Cancellations and Delays.

Form No.: BTS Form 234.

Type Of Review: New collection.

Respondents: Large certificated air carriers that account for at least 1 percent of the domestic scheduled passenger revenues.

Number of Respondents: 10.

Programming Burden Per Respondent: 15 hours.

Total Burden: 150 hours.

Needs and Uses:

Identifying and Reducing Traffic Delays

The DOT would use the causal data collected and processed by BTS to pinpoint and analyze air traffic delays and cancellations that occur under DOT's control. Currently, BTS can identify which flights are delayed or cancelled but, not the cause of the delay or cancellation. By eliminating the delays and cancellations that are caused by extreme weather, the air carrier or by the late arrival of an aircraft of a previous flight, the DOT would be able to focus its attention to solving problem areas within its control.

Reporting Burden for Voluntary Reporting

One of the reporting carriers, that participated in BTS' pilot program on causal data, estimated that it took from 10 to 15 hours to reprogram its reporting system. Once this reprogramming effort was completed, the carrier stated that there was little, if any, additional reporting burden required to submit the monthly on-time reports.

Ashish Sen,

Director, Bureau of Transportation Statistics.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[PS-106-91]

Proposed Collection: Comment Request for Regulation Project

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning an existing final regulation, PS-106-91 (TD 8563), State Housing Credit Ceiling and Other Rules Relating to the Low-Income Housing Credit (§ 1.42-14).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before October 30, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulation should be directed to Larnice Mack, (202) 622-3179, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: State Housing Credit Ceiling and Other Rules Relating to the Low-Income Housing Credit.

OMB Number: 1545-1423.

Regulation Project Number: PS-106-91.

Abstract: The regulation concerns the low-income housing credit under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code. The regulation provides rules relating to the order in which housing credit dollar amounts are allocated from each State's housing credit ceiling under section 42(h)(3)(C) and the determination of which States qualify to receive credit from a national pool of credit under section 42(h)(3)(D). The regulation affects State and local housing credit agencies and taxpayers receiving credit allocations, and provides them with guidance for complying with section 42.

Current Actions: There is no change to this existing regulation.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions, individuals or households, and state, local or tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 110.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 2 hours, 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 275.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a

matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: August 22, 2001.

Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Privacy Act of 1974; Report of Matching Agreement

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of Computer Matching Program.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) intends to conduct a recurring computer program matching records from the VA Compensation, Pension, Education and Rehabilitation (CP&E) Records, VA Personnel and Accounting Integrated Data (PAID), VA Patient Treatment File (PTF), and VA National Patient Care (NPC).

The purpose of the match is to identify any employees receiving pension benefits, unemployment benefits, or medical treatment for non-service connected conditions. VA Office of Inspector General will use this information to initiate an independent verification process to determine eligibility and entitlement to these VA benefits.

Records To Be Matched

The records involved in the match are: VA system of records Compensation, Pension, Education and Rehabilitation Records-VA (58VA21/22) first published at 41 FR 9294 dated March 3, 1976, and last amended at 65 FR 37605 dated June 15, 2000, with other amendments as cited therein; VA system of records Patient Medical Records-VA (24VA136) first published

at 40 FR 38095 dated August 26, 1975, and last amended at 63 FR 7196 dated February 12, 1998, with other amendments as cited therein; and VA system of records Personnel and Accounting System-VA (27VA047) first published at 40 FR 38095 dated August 26, 1975, and last amended at 65 FR 44097 dated July 17, 2000, and with other amendments as cited therein.

This notice is provided in accordance with the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 as amended by Public Law 100-503.

DATES: The match will start no sooner than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register** and end not more than 18 months after the agreement is properly implemented by VA. The VA Data Integrity Board (DIB) may extend this match for 12 months provided the Agency certifies to the DIB within three months of the ending date of the original match that the matching program has been conducted in compliance with the original matching program.

ADDRESSES: Interested individuals may submit written comments to the Director, Office of Regulations Management (02D), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Room 1154, Washington, DC 20420. Comments will be available for public inspection at the above address in the Office of Regulations Management, Room 1158, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Phelps (52CO), Project Manager, Central Office Operations Division, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 565-4553.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information is required by Title 5 U.S.C. subsection 552a(e)(12), the Privacy Act of 1974. A copy of this notice has been provided to both Houses of Congress and OMB.

Approved: August 13, 2001.

Anthony J. Principi,

Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Research and Development Office

Government Owned Inventions Available for Licensing

AGENCY: Research and Development Office, Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of Government Owned Inventions Available for Licensing.

SUMMARY: The inventions listed below are owned by the U.S. Government as represented by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and are available for licensing in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 and 37 CFR part 404 to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally-funded research and development. Foreign patents are filed on selected inventions to extend market coverage for U.S. companies and may also be available for licensing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Technical and licensing information on these inventions may be obtained by writing to: Mindy Aisen, MD, Department of Veterans Affairs, Director Technology Transfer Program, Research and Development Office, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420; fax: 202-275-7228; e-mail at mindy.aisen@mail.va.gov.

Any request for information should include the number and title for the relevant invention as indicated below. Issued patents may be obtained from the Commissioner of Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The inventions available for licensing are:

09/241,987 "Methods for identifying a Preferred Liver Transplant Donor".

09/546,860 "A Novel Solution for the Ex-Vivo Preservation of Cardiovascular Tissue."

09/570,454 "Isolation and Characterization of Epidermal Growth Factor-Related Protein."

09/595,875 "Antagonism of Immunostimulatory CpG-Oligonucleotides by 4-Aminoquinolines and Other Weak Bases."

09/746,555 "N-Terminal D(-) - Pencillamine Peptides as Aldehyde Sequestration Agents."

09/793,533 "Method and Compound for Antagonizing Inhibition Effects of Alcohol on Cell Adhesion."

09/867,521 "Isolation and Characterization of a Rat Epidermal Growth Factor-Related Protein."

Dated: August 27, 2001.

Anthony J. Principi,

Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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