

2. The party's participation would promote a balance of interests being represented at the workshop.

3. The party has been designated by one or more interested parties (who timely file requests to participate) as a party who shares group interests with the designator(s).

In addition, there will be time during the workshop for those not serving as panelists to ask questions.

Dated: September 14, 2001.

**John D. Hawke, Jr.,**

*Comptroller of the Currency.*

By order of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, September 21, 2001.

**Jennifer J. Johnson,**

*Secretary of the Board.*

Dated at Washington, DC this 18th day of September 2001.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**Robert E. Feldman,**

*Executive Secretary.*

Dated: September 13, 2001.

By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

**Ellen Seidman,**

*Director.*

By the National Credit Union Administration Board on September 5th, 2001.

**Becky Baker,**

*Secretary of the Board.*

By direction of the Commission.

**Donald S. Clark,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

Issued in Washington, DC, on this 5th day of September 2001 by the Commission.

**Catherine D. Dixon,**

*Assistant Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.*

By the Commission.

Dated: September 21, 2001.

**Margaret H. McFarland,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Fiscal Service; Financial Management Service

#### Proposed Collection of Information: Financial Institution Agreement and Application Forms for Designation as a Treasury Tax and Loan Depository and Resolution

**AGENCY:** Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Financial Management Service, 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 a continuing information collection. By this notice, the Financial Management Service solicits comments concerning the forms "Financial Institution Agreement and Application Forms for Designation as a Treasury Tax and Loan Depository and Resolution."

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before November 27, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Financial Management Service, 3700 East West Highway, Programs Branch, Room 144, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Karol Forsberg, Electronic Banking Services Division, 401-14th Street, SW, Room 313, Washington, DC 20227, (202) 874-6580.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), the Financial Management Service solicits comments on the collection of information described below.

*Title:* Financial Institution Agreement and Application Forms for Designation as a Treasury Tax and Loan Depository and Resolution.

*OMB Number:* 1510-0052.

*Form Number:* FMS 458 and FMS 459.

*Abstract:* Financial Institutions are required to complete and submit the information on the Agreement Application and Resolution forms to participate in the Treasury Tax and Loan program.

*Current Actions:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Type of Review:* Regular.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 450.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 255.

*Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget 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.

Dated: September 20, 2001.

**Betsy H. Lane,**

*Assistant Commissioner, Federal Finance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0590]

### Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of Acquisition and Materiel Management, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Acquisition and Materiel Management (OA&MM), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed revision of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to ensure that VA will not be held liable for any negligent acts of the contractor or its employees and ensures that VA and VA beneficiaries are protected by adequate insurance coverage.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before November 27, 2001. 1

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information to Donald E. Kaliher, Office of Acquisition and Materiel Management (95A), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail [donald.kaliher@mail.va.gov](mailto:donald.kaliher@mail.va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0590" in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Donald E. Kaliher at (202) 273-8819.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C., 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, OA&MM invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of OA&MM's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of OA&MM's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or

the use of other forms of information technology.

**Titles**

a. Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation Clauses 852.237-73, Indemnification and Medical Liability Insurance.

b. Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation Clauses 852.237-71, Indemnification and Insurance.

c. Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation Clauses 852.207-70, Report of Employment Under Commercial Activities.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0590.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.  
*Abstract:* For VA Acquisition Regulation Clauses 852.237-7 and 852.237-71, failure to collect the information would have a negative impact on VA's ability to ensure that VA will not be held liable for any negligent acts of the contractor and that VA beneficiaries and the public are protected by adequate insurance coverage. For clause 852.207-70, failure to collect the data could have a negative

impact on VA employees who are displaced as the result of award of a contract to a commercial firm and would make it difficult for VA to enforce the requirements of Federal Acquisition Regulation clause 52.207-3, Right of First Refusal of Employment.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit; Individuals and households; Not-for-profit institutions, and State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 1,300 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,200.

*Number of Responses Annually:* 2,600.

Dated: September 10, 2001.

By direction of the Secretary:

**Barbara H. Epps,**

*Management Analyst, Information Management Service.*

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