collection, unless the information collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. As part of the approval process, we invite comments on the following information collection.

Comments should address one or more of the following points:

- a. Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of OTS;
- b. The accuracy of OTS's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection;
- c. Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected:
- d. Ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of information technology.

We will summarize the comments that we receive and include them in the OTS request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this notice, OTS is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection.

Title of Proposal: Deposits and Savings Accounts by Office.

OMB Number: 1550-0004.

Form Number: OTS Form 248.

Description: This information collection provides deposit data essential for analysis of the market share of deposits required to evaluate the competitive impact of mergers, acquisitions, and branching applications on which OTS must act.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Affected Public: Savings Associations.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

Estimated Burden Hours per Response: 1 hour.

Estimated Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Total Burden: 902 hours.

Clearance Officer: Marilyn K. Burton, (202) 906-6467, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

OMB Reviewer: Mark Menchik, (202) 395-3176, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: September 14, 2004.

By the Office of Thrift Supervision

James E. Gilleran,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans: Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans will be held from Monday, October 25, 2004, through Wednesday, October 27, 2004, in Room 427 at the Doubletree Hotel, 3203 Quebec Street, Denver, CO 80207. On October 25, the session will convene at 1 p.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. On October 26-27, the sessions will convene at 8 a.m. The session will end at 4 p.m. on October 26 and at 12 noon on October 27. The meeting is open to

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs with an ongoing assessment of the effectiveness of the policies, organizational structures, and services of the Department in assisting homeless veterans. The Committee shall assemble and review information relating to the needs of homeless veterans and provide ongoing advice on the most appropriate means of providing assistance to homeless veterans. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary

regarding such activities.

In the morning of October 25, the Committee will tour Chronic Homeless Initiative and Homeless Grant and Per Diem Programs in Denver, Colorado. In the afternoon, the Committee will receive follow-up information about improving access to mental health and substance abuse services, review of initiatives for veterans who have been incarcerated, and review VA's Compensated Work Therapy Program. On October 26, the Committee will receive reports and follow-up information in response to its 2004 Annual Report to the Secretary. On October 27, the Committee will continue to receive reports and hold discussions on issues of housing, employment, healthcare and overall coordination of services for homeless

Those wishing to attend the meeting should contact Mr. Pete Dougherty, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 273-5764. No time will be allocated for receiving oral presentations during the public meeting. However, the Committee will accept written comments from interested parties on issues affecting homeless veterans. Such comments should be referred to the Committee at the following address: Advisory Committee on Homeless

Veterans, Homeless Veterans Programs Office (075D), U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420.

Dated: September 13, 2004. By direction of the Secretary.

E. Philip Riggin,

Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

National Research Advisory Council; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the National Research Advisory Council will hold a meeting on Thursday, October 7, 2004, at the Hamilton Crowne Plaza Hotel, 14th & K Streets, NW., Washington, DC, from 8:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. The meeting is open to the public. The purpose of the Council is to provide external advice and review for VA's research mission.

The meeting will begin with opening remarks by the Acting Chief Research and Development Officer. The Council will receive information briefings on the status of the VA research program.

Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting or wishing further information should contact Ms. Karen Scott, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 254–0200. Oral comments from the public will not be accepted at the meeting. Written statements or comments should be transmitted electronically to karen.scott@hq.med.va.gov or mailed to Ms. Scott at Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Research and Development (12C), 810 Vermont Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20420. Items mailed via United States Postal Service require 7-10 days for delivery due to delays resulting from security measures.

Dated: September 15, 2004. By direction of the Secretary.

E. Philip Riggin,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 04-21408 Filed 9-22-04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8320-01-M

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Executive Committee to the Voluntary Service National Advisory Committee; **Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Executive Committee to the Department of Veterans Affairs Voluntary Services (VAVS) National Advisory Committee (NAC) will meet October 18–19, 2004, at the Double Tree Paradise Valley Resort, Scottsdale, Arizona. The sessions will begin at 8:30 a.m. each day and end at 4:30 p.m. on October 18 and at 12 noon on October 19. The meeting is open to the public.

The NAC consists of sixty-three national organizations and advises the Secretary, through the Acting Under Secretary for Health, on the coordination and promotion of volunteer activities within VA health care facilities. The Executive Committee consists of nineteen representatives from the NAC member organizations and acts as the NAC governing body in the interim period between NAC annual meetings.

Business topics for the October 18 morning session include: review goals and objectives, review of minutes, Veterans Health Administration update and a VAVS update of the Voluntary Service program's progress since the 2004 NAC annual meeting, Parke Board update, review of the 2004 annual meeting evaluations and the VAVS Partner's Treasurer report. The October 18 afternoon business session topics include: The 59th annual meeting plans, workshop and plenary sessions/ suggestions. The October 19 morning business session topics include: 2006 NAC annual meeting planning, review of recommendations from the 58th VAVS NAC meeting, subcommittee reports, standard operating procedure revisions, new business and Executive Committee appointments.

No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations

from the public. However, interested persons may either attend or file statements with the Committee. Written statements may be filed either before the meeting or within 10 days after the meeting and addressed to: Ms. Laura Balun, Designated Federal Officer, Voluntary Service Office (10C2), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. Individuals interested in attending are encouraged to contact Ms. Balun at (202) 273–8952.

By Direction of the Secretary. Dated: September 13, 2004.

E. Philip Riggin,

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