Electronic Comments

- Use the Commission's Internet comment form (http://www.sec.gov/rules/sro.shtml); or
- Send an e-mail to rulecomments@sec.gov. Please include File No. SR-FINRA-2009-071 on the subject line.

Paper Comments

• Send paper comments in triplicate to Elizabeth M. Murphy, Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549–1090.

All submissions should refer to File No. SR-FINRA-2009-071. This file number should be included on the subject line if e-mail is used. To help the Commission process and review your comments more efficiently, please use only one method. The Commission will post all comments on the Commission's Internet Web site (http://www.sec.gov/ rules/sro.shtml). Copies of the submission, all subsequent amendments, all written statements with respect to the proposed rule change that are filed with the Commission, and all written communications relating to the proposed rule change between the Commission and any person, other than those that may be withheld from the public in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552, will be available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room, 100 F Street, NE., Washington, DC 20549, on official business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Copies of such filing also will be available for inspection and copying at the principal office of FINRA. All comments received will be posted without change; the Commission does not edit personal identifying information from submissions. You

should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly. All submissions should refer to File No. SR–FINRA–2009–071 and should be submitted on or before December 8, 2009.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority. 11

Florence E. Harmon,

Deputy Secretary.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages requiring clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with Public Law (Pub. L.) 104–13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, effective October 1, 1995. This notice includes revisions to OMB-approved information collections.

SSA is soliciting comments on the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate; the need for the information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility, and clarity; and ways to minimize the burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Mail, email, or fax your comments and recommendations on the information collection(s) to the OMB Desk Officer and the SSA Director for Reports Clearance to the addresses or fax numbers shown below.

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Office of Management and Budget, *Attn:* Desk Officer for SSA, *Fax:* 202–395–

6974, E-mail address: OIRA Submission@omb.oep.gov.

(SSA)

Social Security Administration, DCBFM, Attn: Director, Center for Reports Clearance, 1333 Annex Building, 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235, Fax: 410–965– 0454, E-mail address: OPLM.RCO@ ssa.gov.

The information collections below are pending at SSA. SSA will submit them to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. To be sure we consider your comments, we must receive them no later than January 19, 2010. Individuals can obtain copies of the collection instruments by calling the SSA Director for Reports Clearance at 410–965–0454 or by writing to the above e-mail address.

1. Integrated Registration Services (IRES) System—20 CFR 401.45—0960-0626. The IRES system verifies the identity of individuals, businesses, organizations, entities, and government agencies that use SSA's eService Internet and telephone applications to request and exchange business data with SSA. Requestors provide SSArequired information to establish their identities. Once SSA verifies identity, IRES will issue the requestor a user identification number (User ID) and a password to conduct business with SSA. Respondents are employers and third party submitters of wage data, business entities providing taxpayer identification information, and data exchange partners conducting business in support of SSA programs. In this Information Collection Request (ICR), we are making revisions to IRES for certain applications.

Type of Request: Revision to an OMB-approved information collection.

Respondent types	Number of respondents	Average burden per response (minutes)	Estimated annual burden (hours)
Appointed Representatives Registering via Internet	268,000 ,300,000 88,000 120,794	5 2 11 11	22,333 43,333 16,133 22,146
Total	1,776,794		103,945

2. Request for Business Entity Taxpayer Information—0960–0731. SSA will use the information collected via an Internet application to register law firms or other business entities that wish to serve as appointed representatives and receive direct payment of fees from SSA for representing claimants before SSA. These entities will also be able to designate individuals as entity

administrators, who they authorize to perform certain duties on behalf of the entities (such as providing bank account information, maintaining entity information, and updating individual

^{11 17} CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

affiliations). In addition, SSA will use the information to meet any requirement to issue a Form 1099–MISC to law firms or other business entities pursuant to sections 6041 and 6045(f) of the Internal Revenue Code. The respondents are law firms or other business entities that wish to serve as appointed representatives and receive direct payment of fees.

Type of Request: Revision to an OMB-approved information collection.

 $Number\ of\ Respondents: 8,000.$

 ${\it Frequency of \, Response:}\, 1.$

Average Burden Per Response: 20 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 2,667 hours.

- 3. Appointed Representative Services—0960-0732. SSA uses Form SSA-1699 to register:
- Individuals appointed as representatives;
- Individuals who will perform advocacy services on behalf of an appointed representative:
- Individuals who will act on behalf of an appointed representative and want access to our electronic services; and
- Individuals who will serve as administrators for an entity appointed as a representative.

By registering these individuals, SSA: (1) Authenticates and authorizes them

to do business with us; (2) allows them access to our records for the claimants they represent; (3) facilitates direct payment of authorized fees to appointed representatives; and (4) collects information needed to meet Internal Revenue Service (IRS) requirements to issue specific IRS forms, if we pay these representatives in excess of a specific amount.

This ICR is for changes we will implement to the collection in 2010. The respondents are appointed claimant representatives.

Type of Request: Revision to an OMB-approved information collection.

Modality of completion	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Average burden per response (minutes)	Estimated annual burden (hours)
SSA-1699 (paper form)	52,800 13,200	1 1	30 22	26,400 4,840
Totals	66,000			31,240

Dated: November 10, 2009,

Elizabeth A. Davidson,

Director, Center for Reports Clearance Social Security Administration.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request and Comment Request

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1. Important Information about Your Appeal, Waiver Rights and Repayment Options-20 CFR 404.502-521-0960-NEW. SSA uses Form SSA-3105 in an overpayment situation to explain the claimant's rights to reconsideration, waiver, or a different repayment rate. Claimants use Form SSA-3105 to inform SSA they do not agree with SSA's initial overpayment determination, they are unable to repay the overpayment, or to request a waiver for repayment to SSA. The respondents are individuals who are overpaid claimants who are requesting a waiver of recovery for the overpayment,

reconsideration of the fact of the overpayment, or a lesser rate of withholding of the overpayment.

Type of Request: New information collection.

Number of Respondents: 800,000. Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden: 200,000 hours.

2. Notification of a Social Security Number (SSN) to an Employer for Wage Reporting-20 CFR 422.103-0960-NEW. Individuals applying for employment must provide an SSN or indicate they have applied for one. The information SSA collects on Form SSA-112 allows SSA to send, at the individual's request, the individual's SSN to his or her employer. Mailing this information to the employer ensures the employer has the correct SSN for the individual, allows SSA to receive correct earnings information for wage reporting purposes for the individual, and reduces the delay between the initial SSN assignment and delivery of the SSN information to the employer. The respondents are individuals who are applying for an initial SSN and request to have the information mailed to their employer.

Type of Request: New information collection.

Number of Respondents: 375,000. Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Burden per Response: 2 minutes.