

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Office of the Secretary****Senior Executive Service; Appointment of Members to the Performance Review Board**

Title 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4) provides that Notice of the Appointment of an individual to serve as a member of the Performance Review Board of the Senior Executive Service shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

The following individuals are hereby appointed to a three-year term on the Department's Performance Review Board:

Cheryl Atkinson.  
Michael Connors.  
Patrick Pizzella.

*For Further Information Contact:* Ms. Andrea Burckman, Director, Office of Executive Resources and Personnel Security, Room C5508, U.S. Department of Labor, Frances Perkins Building, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210, telephone: (202) 693-7628.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 21st day of September, 2007.

**Elaine L. Chao,**

*Secretary of Labor.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Veterans' Employment Training Service****Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Federal Contractor Veterans' Employment Reports VETS-100 and VETS-100A**

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) is soliciting comments

concerning the proposed revision of the currently approved information collection request for the "Federal Contractor Veterans' Employment Report VETS-100" to include the "Federal Contractor Veterans' Employment Report VETS-100A." A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this Notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section below on or before December 3, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments are to be submitted to Robert Wilson, Chief, Division of Investigation and Compliance, VETS, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-1316, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. Electronic transmission is the preferred method for submitting comments. E-mail may be sent to *FCP-PRA-04-VETS@dol.gov*. Include "VETS-100A" in the subject line of the message. Written comments of 10 pages or fewer also may be transmitted by facsimile to (202) 693-4755 (this is not a toll free number). Receipt of submissions, whether by U.S. Mail, e-mail or FAX transmittal, will not be acknowledged; however, the sender may request confirmation that a submission has been received, by telephoning VETS at (202) 693-4719 (VOICE) (this is not a toll-free number) or (202) 693-4753 (TTY/TDD).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Background**

The Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974 ("VEVRAA"), 38 U.S.C. 4212(d), requires Federal contractors and subcontractors subject to the Act's affirmative action provisions in 38 U.S.C. 4212(a) to track and report annually to the Secretary of Labor the number of employees in their workforces, by job category and hiring location, who belong to the specified categories of covered veterans. VETS has issued regulations set forth in 41 CFR part 61-250 that currently require contractors to use the Federal Contractor Veterans' Employment Report VETS-100 ("VETS-100 Report") form for reporting information on the number of covered veterans in their workforces. The VETS-100 Report is currently approved under OMB No. 1293-0005.

The Jobs for Veterans Act (JVA) (Pub. L. 107-288), which was enacted in 2002, amended VEVRAA by making two changes to the reporting requirements applicable to contracts entered into on or after December 1, 2003. The JVA amendments: (1) Increased from \$25,000

to \$100,000, the dollar amount of the contract that subjects a Federal contractor to the requirement to report on veterans' employment; and (2) changed the categories of covered veterans under VEVRAA, and thus the categories of veterans that contractors are required to track and report on annually.

The JVA amendments to the reporting requirements under VEVRAA apply only to contracts entered into on or after December 1, 2003. Some contractors have Government contracts that were entered into before December 1, 2003, and are still subject to the reporting requirements in 41 CFR part 61-250. Therefore, VETS has determined that it will be necessary to maintain two sets of regulations to implement the reporting requirements under VEVRAA, and use two different forms for providing the required information on the employment of covered veterans.

On August 8, 2006, VETS published a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), (71 FR 44945), to implement the changes made by JVA to the reporting requirements under VEVRAA. The NPRM proposed to adopt a new set of regulations that would be codified in a new 41 CFR part 61-300. The NPRM also proposed to adopt a new form for reporting the information on veterans' employment required by the JVA amendments to VEVRAA and name it the Federal Contractor Veterans' Employment Report VETS-100A. The existing regulations at 41 CFR part 60-250 and the VETS-100 reporting requirements will continue to apply to Government contracts entered into before December 1, 2003.

**II. Desired Focus of Comments**

Currently VETS is soliciting comments concerning the proposed revision of the currently approved information collection request to include the "Federal Contractor Veterans' Employment Report VETS-100A." The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and