

received on the Draft EIS when preparing the Final EIS. The USMC intends to issue the Final EIS in Winter 2014/2015, at which time an NOA would be published in the **Federal Register** and local media.

A Record of Decision is anticipated in early 2015.

Dated: August 29, 2013.

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Lieutenant, Office of the Judge Advocate General, U.S. Navy, Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No. ED-2013-ICCD-0118]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Application for Approval To Participate in Federal Student Financial Aid Programs

AGENCY: Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing an extension of an existing information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 5, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> by selecting Docket ID number ED-2013-ICCD-0118 or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Room, 2E103 Washington, DC 20202-4537.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions related to collection activities or burden, please call Kate Mullan, 202-401-0563 or electronically mail ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Please do not send comments here.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general

public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Application for Approval to Participate in Federal Student Financial Aid Programs

OMB Control Number: 1845-0012

Type of Review: An extension of an existing information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Private Sector, State, Local, or Tribal Governments

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 7,246

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 24,352

Abstract: The Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended requires postsecondary institutions to complete and submit this application as a condition of eligibility for any of the Title IV student financial assistance programs and for the other postsecondary programs authorized by the HEA. The institution must submit the form (1) Initially when it first seeks to become eligible for the Title IV programs; (2) when its program participation agreement expires (recertification); (3) when it changes ownership, merges, or changes structure, (4) to be reinstated to participate in the Title IV programs, (5) to notify the Department when it makes certain changes, e.g. name or address; and (5) if it wishes to have a new program (outside its current scope) or

new location approved for Title IV purposes.

Kate Mullan,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Privacy Act of 1974; Computer Matching Program Between the Department of Education (ED) and the Social Security Administration (SSA)

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, the Computer Matching and Privacy Protections Amendments of 1990, and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance on the conduct of computer matching programs, notice is hereby given of the renewal of the computer matching program between the ED (recipient agency), and the SSA (source agency). This renewal of the computer matching program will become effective as explained in paragraph 5.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, OMB Final Guidance Interpreting the Provisions of Public Law 100-503, the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, published in the **Federal Register** on June 19, 1989 (54 FR 25818), and OMB Circular No. A-130, Transmittal Memorandum #4, Management of Federal Information Resources (November 28, 2000), we provide the following information:

1. Names of Participating Agencies.

The U.S. Department of Education and the Social Security Administration.

2. Purpose of the Match.

The purpose of this matching program between ED and SSA is to assist the Secretary of Education with verification of immigration status and Social Security numbers (SSNs) under 20 U.S.C. 1091(g) and (p). SSA will verify the issuance of an SSN to, and will confirm the citizenship status of, those students and parents applying for financial assistance programs authorized under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA). Verification of this information by SSA will help ED satisfy its obligation to ensure that individuals applying for financial assistance meet

eligibility requirements imposed by the HEA.

Verification by this computer matching program effectuates the purpose of the HEA because it provides an efficient and comprehensive method of verifying the accuracy of each individual's SSN and claim to a citizenship status that permits that individual to qualify for title IV, HEA assistance.

3. Authority for Conducting the Matching Program.

ED is authorized to participate in the matching program under sections 484(p) (20 U.S.C. 1091(p)); 484(g) (20 U.S.C. 1091(g)); 483(a)(12) (20 U.S.C. 1090(a)(12)); and 428B(f) (20 U.S.C. 1078-2(f)) of the HEA.

SSA is authorized to participate in the matching program under section 1106(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1306(a)) and the regulations promulgated pursuant to that section (20 CFR part 401).

4. Categories of Records and Individuals Covered by the Match.

The Federal Student Aid Application File (18-11-01), which contains the information to determine an applicant's eligibility for Federal student financial assistance, and the Department of Education (ED) PIN (Personal Identification Number) Registration System (18-11-12), which contains the applicant's information to receive an ED PIN, will be matched against SSA's Master Files of Social Security Number Holders and SSN Applications System, SSA/OS, 60-0058, which maintains records about each individual who has applied for and obtained an SSN.

5. Effective Dates of the Matching Program.

The matching program will be effective on the latest of the following three dates: (a) October 10, 2013; (b) 30 days after notice of the matching program has been published in the **Federal Register**, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(12); or (c) 40 days after a report concerning the matching program has been transmitted, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r), to OMB and the U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and the U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, unless OMB waives 10 or fewer days of this 40-day review period for compelling reasons, in which case, 30 days plus whatever number of the 10 days that OMB did not waive from the date of the transmittal of the report to OMB and Congress.

The matching program will continue for 18 months after the effective date and may be extended for an additional 12 months thereafter, if the conditions

specified in 5 U.S.C. 552a(o)(2)(D) have been met.

6. Address for Receipt of Public Comments or Inquiries.

Individuals wishing to comment on this matching program, or to obtain additional information about the program, including requesting a copy of the computer matching agreement between ED and SSA, should contact Franka Dennis, Management and Program Analyst, U.S. Department of Education, Union Center Plaza, 830 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20202-5454. Telephone: (202) 377-4067. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) or text telephone (TTY), call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

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James W. Runcie,
Chief Operating Officer, Federal Student Aid.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. PP-371]

Amended Notice of Intent To Modify the Scope of the Environmental Impact Statement and Conduct Additional Public Scoping Meetings, and Notice of Floodplains and Wetlands Involvement for the Northern Pass Transmission Line Project

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Amended notice of intent to modify the scope of the environmental impact statement and conduct additional public scoping meetings; notice of floodplains and wetlands involvement.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE or the Department) announces its intent to modify the scope of the *Northern Pass Transmission Line Project Environmental Impact Statement* (DOE/EIS-0463) and to conduct additional public scoping meetings. As described in the February 11, 2011, Notice of Intent (NOI) (76 FR 7828), in October 2010, Northern Pass Transmission LLC (Northern Pass or the Applicant) submitted an application to DOE for a Presidential permit to construct, operate, maintain, and connect a new electric transmission line across the U.S.-Canada border into northern New Hampshire. As explained in the 2011 NOI, DOE will assess the potential environmental impacts from the proposed Federal action of granting a Presidential permit to Northern Pass. On July 1, 2013, the Applicant submitted to DOE an amended application for a Presidential permit that reflected proposed changes to the route of the Northern Pass project. A map of the proposed route and segment maps are available on the DOE EIS Web site established for the preparation of the EIS at www.northernpasseis.us. A copy of the amended Presidential permit application can be found at the DOE EIS Web site or at the program Web site <http://energy.gov/oe/services/electricity-policy-coordination-and-implementation/international-electricity-regulation-2> (scroll down to PP-371) or a copy can be requested by emailing Angela Troy at angela.troy@hq.doe.gov. DOE now intends to revise the scope of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to analyze the potential environmental impacts associated with these proposed changes.

The U.S. Forest Service—White Mountain National Forest, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)—New England District, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)—Region 1 (New England) are cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EIS.

The EIS will provide the analysis to support a Forest Service decision on whether to issue a special use permit within the White Mountain National Forest. The responsible official for the Forest Service is the Forest Supervisor for the White Mountain National Forest.

Because the proposed Federal action may involve floodplains and wetlands, the draft EIS will include a floodplains