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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under section 1473(p) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Dodd-Frank Act),<sup>1</sup> if the Appraisal Subcommittee (“ASC”), a subcommittee of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC), determines, six months after enactment of that section (*i.e.*, January 21, 2011) that no national hotline exists to receive complaints of non-compliance with appraisal independence standards and Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice, including complaints from appraisers, individuals, or other entities concerning the improper influencing or attempted improper influencing of appraisers or the appraisal process, then the ASC shall establish and operate such a hotline (“ASC Hotline”), which shall include a toll-free telephone number and an email address. Section 1473(p) further directs the ASC to refer complaints received through the ASC Hotline to the appropriate government bodies for further action, which may include referral to the Agencies. The ASC determined that a national appraisal hotline does not exist at a meeting held on January 12, 2011, and a notice of this determination was published in the **Federal Register** on January 28, 2011 (76 FR 5161). Currently, the ASC is in the process of establishing the ASC hotline, which will refer complaints to appropriate state and federal regulators.

Representatives from the Agencies, the Federal Reserve Board, and the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection have been meeting to establish a process to facilitate the referral of complaints received through the ASC Hotline to the appropriate

federal financial institution regulatory agency or agencies. The Agencies and the Federal Reserve Board have developed the Interagency Appraisal Complaint Form to collect information necessary to take further action on the complaint. In preparing this notice, the Agencies have availed themselves of all means reasonably available to determine accurate estimates of the number of complaints it anticipates receiving as the result of the Interagency Appraisal Complaint Form.

**Title:** Interagency Appraisal Complaint Form.

**OMB Number:** New Collection.

**Description:** The Interagency Appraisal Complaint Form was developed for those who wish to file a formal, written complaint that an entity subject to the jurisdiction of one or more Agencies or the Federal Reserve Board has failed to comply with the appraisal independence standards or the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice. The form is designed to collect information necessary for one or more Agencies or the Federal Reserve Board to take further action on a complaint from an appraiser, other individual, financial institution, or other entities. Each appropriate Agency or the Federal Reserve Board will use the information to take further action on the complaint to the extent it relates to an issue within its jurisdiction. The Federal Reserve Board will be seeking approval for the Interagency Complaint Form through a separate notice.

**Type of Review:** Regular.

**Affected Public:** Individuals; businesses or other for-profit entities.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:**

**OCC:** 1500 annually.

**FDIC:** 300 annually.

**NCUA:** 200 annually.

**Estimated Burden per Response:** 30 minutes.

**Frequency of Response:** On occasion.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden:**

**OCC:** 750 hours annually.

**FDIC:** 150 hours annually.

**NCUA:** 100 hours annually.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized, included in the request for OMB approval, and 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 has 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 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: October 5, 2012.

**Michele Meyer,**

*Assistant Director, Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, OCC.*

Dated: September 20, 2012.

**Valerie J. Best,**

*Assistant Executive Secretary, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.*

Dated: October 4, 2012.

**Mary Rupp,**

*Secretary of the Board, NCUA.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0518]

### Proposed Information Collection (Income Verification) Activity: Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), 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 extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments for information needed to determine a claimant's entitlement to income-dependent benefits.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before December 21, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov); or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M35), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue

<sup>1</sup> Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act § 1473, Public Law 111–203, 124 Stat. 1376, July 21, 2010; 12 U.S.C. 3351(i).

NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email: [nancy.kessinger@va.gov](mailto:nancy.kessinger@va.gov). Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0518” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 632–8924 or FAX (202) 632–8925.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), 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, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA’s functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA’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.

*Title:* Income Verification, VA Form 21–0161a.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900–0518.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* VA Form 21–0161a is completed by employers of beneficiaries who have been identified as having inaccurately reported their income to VA. The data collected is used to determine the beneficiary’s entitlement to income dependent benefits.

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

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 15,000 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* One time.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 30,000.

By direction of the Secretary.

**William F. Russo,**

*Deputy Director, Office of Regulations Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**[OMB Control No. 2900–0742]**

**Proposed Information Collection (Survey of Chronic Gastrointestinal Illness in Persian Gulf Veterans (Irritable Bowel Syndrome—Diarrhea)) Activity: Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) 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 extension 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 evaluate chronic gastrointestinal disorders in Persian Gulf War Veterans.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before December 21, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov); or to Cynthia Harvey Pryor, Veterans Health Administration (10P7BFP), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email: [cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov](mailto:cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov). Please refer to “2900–0742” in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor (202) 461–5870 or FAX (202) 273–9387.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), 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, VHA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VHA’s

functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA’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. VA Research Consent Form (Cases), VA Form 10–2109a.

b. VA Research Consent Form (Control), VA Form 10–2109b.

c. Survey of Chronic Gastrointestinal Illness in Persian Gulf Veterans, VA Form 10–21092c.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900–0742.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* Approximately 25 percent military troops who were deployed in the first Persian Gulf War returned with persistent gastrointestinal symptoms, typical of diarrhea-predominant irritable bowel syndrome. The data collected from the survey will assist VA in determining whether chronic gastrointestinal illness in Persian Gulf Veterans was caused by the presence of bacteria in the intestines and whether eradication of these bacteria reduces symptoms of chronic diarrhea.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden**

a. VA Research Consent Form (Cases), VA Form 10–2109a—41 hours.

b. VA Research Consent Form (Control), VA Form 10–2109b—31 hours.

c. Survey of Chronic Gastrointestinal Illness in Persian Gulf Veterans, VA Form 10–21092c—3,000 hours.

**Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent**

a. VA Research Consent Form (Cases), VA Form 10–2109a—15 minutes.

b. VA Research Consent Form (Control), VA Form 10–2109b—10 minutes.

c. Survey of Chronic Gastrointestinal Illness in Persian Gulf Veterans, VA Form 10–21092c—45 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* One time.

**Estimated Number of Respondents**

a. VA Research Consent Form (Cases), VA Form 10–2109a—165.

b. VA Research Consent Form (Control), VA Form 10–2109b—189.