

jobs in legitimate businesses. 48 U.S.C. 1806(d)(5)(C)(v). In order for us to properly assess the CNMI's workforce in the future, we request that the CNMI government provide updates to the Department on a yearly basis about its good faith efforts to locate, educate, train, or otherwise prepare U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents, and unemployed alien workers already in the CNMI.

Section 701 of the CNRA states it is the intent of the Congress to minimize potential adverse economic and fiscal effects of phasing-out CNMI's nonresident contract worker program and to maximize the CNMI's potential for future economic and business growth by, among other things, assuring that foreign workers are protected from the potential for abuse and exploitation. Pub. L. 110-229, Sec. 701(a)(1)(E), 48 U.S.C. 1806 note. The Department emphasizes the importance of Congress's intent in this regard, and further notes that this notice should not be construed to alter or amend the continuing obligations of CNMI employers to adhere to and comply with applicable civil rights, labor and workplace safety laws. Employers in CNMI remain subject to the array of federal laws that, among others, ensure and protect the rights of workers to a workplace based on fair treatment, and free of unlawful discrimination and hazards to safety and health. Those and other workplace rights will continue to be applied forcefully by the Department and other federal agencies with jurisdiction to administer and enforce federal worker protection laws.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 27 of May, 2014.

**Thomas E. Perez,**  
*Secretary of Labor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

#### Notice of Availability of Funds and Solicitation for Grant Applications for Disability Employment Initiative Grants

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA).

*Funding Opportunity Number: SGA/DFA PY 13-11*

**SUMMARY:** The Employment and Training Administration (ETA), in coordination with the Department's

Office of Disability Employment Policy, announces the availability of approximately \$15 million in grant funds authorized by Section 171 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 for the Round V Disability Employment Initiative. We expect to fund approximately eight grants, ranging from \$1.5 million to \$2.5 million each. Applicants may apply for up to \$2.5 million.

The complete SGA and any subsequent SGA amendments in connection with this solicitation are described in further detail on ETA's Web site at <http://www.doleta.gov/grants/> or on <http://www.grants.gov>. The Web sites provide application information, eligibility requirements, review and selection procedures, and other program requirements governing this solicitation.

**DATES:** The closing date for receipt of applications under this announcement is July 8, 2014. Applications must be received no later than 4:00:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cam Nguyen, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Room N-4716, Washington, DC 20210; Email: [Nguyen.Cam@dol.gov](mailto:Nguyen.Cam@dol.gov).

Signed: May 28, 2014 in Washington, DC.

**Eric D. Luetkenhaus,**  
*Grant Officer, Employment and Training Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Bureau of Labor Statistics

#### Proposed Collection, Comment Request

**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 the 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. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed revision of the

"Report on Current Employment Statistics." A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained contacting the individual listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice on or before August 4, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Carol Rowan, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 4080, 2 Massachusetts Avenue NE., Washington, DC 20212. Written comments also may be transmitted by fax to 202-691-5111 (this is not a toll free number).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carol Rowan, BLS Clearance Officer, 202-691-7628 (this is not a toll free number). (See **ADDRESSES** section.)

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

The Current Employment Statistics (CES) program provides current monthly statistics on employment, hours, and earnings, by industry and geography. CES estimates are among the most visible and widely-used Principal Federal Economic Indicators (PFEIs). CES data are also among the timeliest of the PFEIs, with their release each month by the BLS in the *Employment Situation*, typically on the first Friday of each month. The statistics are fundamental inputs in economic decision processes at all levels of government, private enterprise, and organized labor.

The CES monthly estimates of employment, hours, and earnings are based on a sample of U.S. nonagricultural establishments. Information is derived from approximately 271,400 reports (from a sample of 144,000 employers with State Unemployment Insurance (UI) accounts comprised of 554,000 individual worksites), as of January 2014. Each month, firms report their employment, payroll, and hours on forms identified as the BLS-790. The sample is collected under a probability-based design. Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands collect an additional 7,400 reports.

A list of all form types currently used appears in the table below. Respondents receive variations of the basic collection forms, depending on their industry.

The CES program is a voluntary program under Federal statute. Reporting to the State agencies is voluntary in all but four States (Oregon, Washington, North Carolina, and South Carolina), Puerto Rico, and the Virgin