

interest-bearing marketable securities of the United States which, at the time the computation is made, have terms of 15 years or more remaining to maturity (average yield is rounded to nearest one-eighth percent); and (2) provide that the rate will not be raised or lowered more than one-quarter of 1 percent for any year. The U.S. Department of the Treasury calculated the specified average to be 2.7118 percent. This rate, rounded to the nearest one-eighth percent, is 2.750 percent, which is a change of less than the allowable one-quarter of 1 percent. Therefore, the fiscal year 2018 rate is 2.750 percent.

The rate of 2.750 percent will be used by all Federal agencies in the formulation and evaluation of water and related land resources plans for the purpose of discounting future benefits and computing costs or otherwise converting benefits and costs to a common-time basis.

Dated: October 23, 2017.

**Ruth Welch,**

*Director, Policy and Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Period Extension; Consumer Expenditure Surveys: Quarterly Interview and Diary

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; Extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** At the request of the Office of Management (OMB) and Budget, the Department of Labor (DOL) is extending the comment period for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) sponsored information collection request (ICR) revision titled, "Consumer Expenditure Surveys: Quarterly Interview and Diary." The ICR is under OMB review and approval for use in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995.

**DATES:** The OMB will consider all written comments that agency receives on or before January 17, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained free of charge by contacting Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129, TTY 202-693-8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or

sending an email to [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

Submit comments about this request by mail or courier to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL-BLS, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503; by Fax: 202-395-5806 (this is not a toll-free number); or by email: [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov). Commenters are encouraged, but not required, to send a courtesy copy of any comments by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor-OASAM, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attn: Departmental Information Compliance Management Program, Room N1301, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210; or by email: [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michel Smyth by telephone at 202-693-4129, TTY 202-693-8064, (these are not toll-free numbers) or sending an email to [DOL\\_PRA\\_PUBLIC@dol.gov](mailto:DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This ICR seeks approval under the PRA for revisions to the Consumer Expenditure Surveys: Quarterly Interview and Diary. The BLS uses the Consumer Expenditure Surveys to gather information on expenditures, income, and other related subjects. The data is updated periodically in the national Consumer Price Index. In addition, the data is used by a variety of researchers in academia, government agencies, and the private sector. The data is collected from a national probability sample of households designed to represent the total civilian non-institutional population. This revision request includes the addition of a veterans question, outlet questions, and a study of the worksheet. The Census Authorizing Statute and BLS Authorizing Statute authorize this information collection. See 13 U.S.C. 8b and 29 U.S.C. 2.

This information collection is subject to the PRA. A Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information, and the public is generally not required to respond to an information collection, unless it is approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information that does not display a valid Control Number. See 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and 1320.6. The DOL obtains OMB approval for this information collection under Control

Number 1220-0050. The current approval is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2019; however, the DOL notes that existing information collection requirements submitted to the OMB receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review. New requirements would only take effect upon OMB approval. For additional substantive information about this ICR, see the related notices published in the **Federal Register** on August 8, 2017, 82 FR 37115, and December 1, 2017, 82 FR 56966.

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section within seven (7) days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. In order to help ensure appropriate consideration, comments should mention OMB Control Number 1220-0050. The OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- 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
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

*Agency:* DOL-BLS.

*Title of Collection:* Consumer Expenditure Surveys: Quarterly Interview and Diary.

*OMB Control Number:* 1220-0050.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Total Estimated Number of Respondents:* 11,765.

*Total Estimated Number of Responses:* 51,420.

*Total Estimated Annual Time Burden:* 51,484 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden:* \$0.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D).

Dated: January 4, 2018.

**Michel Smyth,**

*Departmental Clearance Officer.*

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## **NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES**

### **30-Day Notice for the "Acknowledgment of Rights-Holder for Literature: Translation Projects Applications"**

**AGENCY:** National Endowment for the Arts.

**ACTION:** Notice of submission for OMB review; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) has submitted the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995: "*Acknowledgment of Rights-Holder for Literature: Translation Projects Applications*." Copies of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by visiting [www.Reginfo.gov](http://www.Reginfo.gov).

**DATES:** Comments should be sent to OMB's Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs within thirty days of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the National Endowment for the Arts, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202/395-4718).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jillian Miller, Director of Guidelines and Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, at [millerj@arts.gov](mailto:millerj@arts.gov) or 202/682-5504.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NEA's Literature: Translation Projects program gives grants to translators of previously written works which may be protected by copyright. The NEA typically requires that these applicants obtain from the publisher the affirmative "right to translate" the work (or, in cases that do not apply to this request that the work be in the public domain). Some publishers, due to industry standard practices, have refused to provide applicants with the "right to translate" but do not object to the work being translated. In order to ensure that these otherwise qualified applicants are eligible, the NEA proposes to use this form in which a non-applicant rights-holder affirmatively acknowledges and approves of the applicant's project.

*Title of Collection:* Acknowledgement of Rights-Holder for Literature: Translation Projects Applications.

*Type of Review:* Regular.

*Affected Public:* Individuals.

*Total Estimated Number of Respondents Across All Three Years:* 300.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents:* 100.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 1 hour.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* 100.

*Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs:* 0.

*Total Annual Costs (Operating/Maintaining Systems or Purchasing Services):* 0.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. The OMB is particularly interested in comments which: (1.) 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; (2.) 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; (3.) Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (4.) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses; and (5.) Estimate the capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Dated: January 5, 2018.

**Jillian Miller,**

*Director, Office of Guidelines and Panel Operations, Administrative Services, National Endowment for the Arts.*

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## **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**[NRC-2017-0235]**

### **Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel: Revised Meeting Notice**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting; revised; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will convene a meeting of the Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel (LSNARP) on February 27-28, 2018, at the NRC's Headquarters Offices in Room 01C3, Three White Flint North Building, 11601 Landsdown Street, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The NRC has revised the meeting date from January 30-31 to February 27-28, 2018, to allow more time to evaluate options for the potential reconstitution or replacement of the Licensing Support Network (LSN).

The meeting is being held to carry out the NRC's responsibilities under the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit's decision in the case *In re Aiken County*, 645 F.3d 428 (D.C. Cir. 2011), and the Commission's July 31, 2017, direction in the Staff Requirements Memorandum associated with COMSECY-17-0019 that a next step in the Yucca Mountain licensing process is for the NRC to initiate information-gathering activities regarding reinstituting or replacing the LSN. The LSN, which was used to make documentary material associated with the Yucca Mountain adjudicatory proceeding available to hearing participants and the public, was decommissioned when the adjudication was suspended in 2011. The information being collected will assist the Commission in making efficient, informed decisions concerning appropriate means for reconstituting the LSN's functionality if the currently-suspended Yucca Mountain adjudication were to re-commence in the future.

The meeting will be open to the public pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (Pub. L. 94-463, 86 Stat. 770-776) and will be conducted