

fuel and oil, maintenance repair, polishing and washing, servicing, shuttling, and towing.

4. To support the administration of employee lead generation programs, such as LEADing Together or similar programs, and to pre-fill individual work position and location information for participating employees as part of the lead entry process.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Current and former USPS employees.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

1. *Employee information:* Name, home address, Social Security Number, employee identification number(s), postal assignment information, work contact information, finance number(s), duty location, and pay location, and Fleet Purchase Fleet Card Personal Identification Number (PIN).

2. *Employee resource management information:* Records related to workload, productivity, scheduling, availability, and absences, including family medical leave absences.

3. *Employee lead generation program(s):* Name, employee identification number(s), postal assignment information, work contact information, finance number(s), and duty location.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Employees; employees' supervisor or manager; and other systems of records.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

Standard routine uses 1. through 9. apply.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:

Automated database, computer storage media, digital files, and paper files.

POLICIES OF PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:

By employee name, Social Security Number, employee identification number(s), route number, duty or pay location, pay period or Fuel Purchase Fleet Card Personal Identification Number (PIN).

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:

1. Resource management records related to leave application, time and attendance, and light duty status are retained 3 years.
2. Family and Medical Leave Records are retained 5 years.
3. Other categories of resource management records are retained 1 year.

4. Records pertaining to the USPS fuel fleet card purchase program are retained for 10 years.

Records existing on paper are destroyed by burning, pulping, or shredding. Records existing on computer storage media are destroyed according to the applicable USPS media sanitization practice.

ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:

Paper records, computers, and computer storage media are located in controlled-access areas under supervision of program personnel. Access to these areas is limited to authorized personnel, who must be identified with a badge. Restricted medical information is maintained in a separate locked cabinet under control of the FMLA Coordinator. Access to records is limited to individuals whose official duties require such access. Contractors and licensees are subject to contract controls and unannounced on-site audits and inspections.

Computers are protected by mechanical locks, card key systems, or other physical access control methods. The use of computer systems is regulated with installed security software, computer logon identifications, and operating system controls including access controls, terminal and transaction logging, and file management software.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Requests for access must be made in accordance with the Notification Procedure above and USPS Privacy Act regulations regarding access to records and verification of identity under 39 CFR 266.5.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

See Notification Procedure and Record Access Procedures above.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:

Individuals wanting to know if information about them is maintained in this system must address inquiries to the facility head where currently or last employed. Headquarters employees must submit inquiries to Corporate Personnel Management, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20260. Inquiries must include full name, Social Security Number or Employee Identification Number, name and address of facility where last employed, and dates of USPS employment.

EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

HISTORY:

May 15, 2020, 85 FR 29492; June 17, 2011, 76 FR 35483, June 27, 2012, 77 FR 38342.

Ruth B. Stevenson,

Chief Counsel, Ethics and Legal Compliance.

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OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY

Ocean Climate Action Plan

AGENCY: Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP).

ACTION: Notice of request for information.

SUMMARY: The Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), on behalf of the interagency Ocean Policy Committee (OPC), request input from all interested parties to inform the development of a U.S. Ocean Climate Action Plan (OCAP) that will help guide and coordinate actions by the Federal government and civil society to address ocean, coastal, and Great Lakes-based mitigation and adaptation solutions to climate change. The OCAP will summarize planned Federal ocean-based climate action and the benefits of these actions, identify gaps in knowledge and application of knowledge to emerging ocean-climate issues, and recommend actions to advance the effectiveness of the Nation's response to the impacts of climate change. The input received will be used to inform the development of the OCAP.

DATES: Responses are due by 11:59 p.m. eastern time on November 18, 2022. Submissions received after the deadline may not be taken into consideration.

ADDRESSES: Interested individuals and organizations should submit comments electronically to ocean@ostp.eop.gov and include "RFI Response: OCAP" in the subject line of the email. Email submissions should be machine-readable (PDF, Word) and should not be locked or password protected.

Instructions: Response to this RFI is voluntary. Each individual or organization is requested to submit only one response. Commenters can respond to one or many questions. Submissions are suggested to not exceed a total of five (5) pages in 12 point or larger font. Submissions should clearly indicate which questions are being addressed. Responses should include the name of the person(s) or organization(s) filing the response. Responses containing references, studies, research, and other

empirical data that are not widely published should include copies of or electronic links to the referenced materials. Responses containing profanity, vulgarity, threats, or other inappropriate language or content will not be considered.

OSTP or CEQ may post responses to this RFI, without change, on their websites. OSTP and CEQ, therefore, request that no business proprietary information, copyrighted information, or personally identifiable information be submitted in response to this RFI. Please note that the U.S. Government will not pay for response preparation, or for the use of any information contained in the response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Scott Doney, 202–456–4444,
Scott.C.Doney@ostp.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: Urgent and immediate action is needed to tackle the climate crisis through mitigation of and adaptation to the impacts of climate change. Climate change threatens valuable marine resources and the communities that depend on them. The ocean, as a critical heat and carbon sink and with capacities for both mitigation and adaptation climate solutions, is an integral component of the Biden-Harris Administration's "all-hands-on-deck" approach to climate action.

Examples of ocean-based climate solutions include: harnessing ocean renewable energy, protecting and restoring ecosystems that sequester carbon and support biological diversity, expanding the extent and level of protection of marine protected areas, pursuing responsible and efficacious ocean-based carbon dioxide removal and sequestration, and decarbonizing shipping. These ocean-based climate solutions can also provide abundant co-benefits, including good-paying jobs, sustainable livelihoods and communities, and healthier ocean ecosystems that support future discovery and innovation. Ocean-based climate solutions can also provide an opportunity to advance more equitable access to the benefits provided by the ocean to people, and to create a diverse workforce.

The Biden-Harris Administration has set goals and directed action for many of these opportunities, including to:

- provide 40% of overall benefits of Federal investment relating to climate change and other areas to disadvantaged communities (Executive Order 14008: Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad, January 27, 2021; <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2021/01/27/>

executive-order-on-tackling-the-climate-crisis-at-home-and-abroad/);

- produce 30 gigawatts of energy from offshore wind by 2030 (FACT SHEET: Biden Administration Jumpstarts Offshore Wind Energy Projects to Create Jobs, March 29, 2021; <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/03/29/fact-sheet-biden-administration-jumpstarts-offshore-wind-energy-projects-to-create-jobs/>);

- conserve at least 30% of U.S. lands and waters by 2030 (Executive Order 14008: Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad, January 27, 2021; <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2021/01/27/executive-order-on-tackling-the-climate-crisis-at-home-and-abroad/>);

- working with the International Maritime Organization, achieve zero emissions from international shipping by no later than 2050 (FACT SHEET: President Biden's Leaders Summit on Climate, April 23, 2021; <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/04/23/fact-sheet-president-bidens-leaders-summit-on-climate/>).

More than 20 Federal agencies have developed adaptation and resilience plans in response to Executive Order 14008 (FACT SHEET: Biden Administration Releases Agency Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plans from Across Federal Government, October 7, 2021; <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/10/07/fact-sheet-biden-administration-releases-agency-climate-adaptation-and-resilience-plans-from-across-federal-government/>).

To outline a vision for ocean climate action, the Ocean Policy Committee, a Congressionally mandated, Cabinet-level interagency committee charged with coordinating Federal ocean policy, (<https://www.noaa.gov/interagency-ocean-policy>), will develop an Ocean Climate Action Plan (OCAP) that will: (1) summarize and assess current and planned Federal, ocean-related mitigation and adaptation activities, including but not necessarily limited to green shipping, blue carbon, biodiversity conservation and protection, ecosystem restoration, nature-based solutions, marine renewable energy, ocean-based carbon dioxide removal and sequestration, climate-ready aquaculture and fisheries, and other ocean-climate related actions; (2) characterize the benefits (*e.g.*, mitigation, adaptation, and associated co-benefits) of such actions and how they contribute to Administration climate change and equity and

environmental justice goals; (3) identify needs and opportunities to more effectively address climate change impacts through additional mitigation or adaptation actions; and (4) identify how we can utilize current knowledge to support existing action, and define new knowledge needed to better understand and address important emerging issues such as ocean-based carbon dioxide removal.

Questions To Inform Development of the Plan

Respondents may provide information for one or as many topics below as they choose. Submissions should clearly indicate which questions are being addressed.

An interagency workgroup co-led by the Department of the Interior, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the National Science Foundation, in partnership with the CEQ, the OSTP, the National Climate Task Force, and other Federal agencies and entities, will develop the OCAP with input from the public, States, Tribal Nations, scientists, and a wide range of stakeholders. While agencies and the workgroup have received ad hoc recommendations on ocean-climate solutions, this request for information offers a formal comment period to collect input specific to the development of the OCAP. The group is seeking input from the public on the following:

1. *Background information.* Please briefly describe the role that you/your organization has in ocean-based climate solutions. If relevant, please describe how you/your organization engages with underserved communities.

2. *Critical Actions.* What ocean-based climate solutions should be considered, and over what time scales? What are specific examples of ocean-based climate mitigation and adaptation activities that the United States should seek to advance? Which are higher priority? Are there actions that should be avoided, and if so, why?

3. *Knowledge, Science, and Technology.* What kind of research is needed to implement and evaluate the effectiveness and impacts of ocean-based climate solutions? How can Indigenous knowledge be highlighted to inform solutions? What are important questions, issues, and unknowns that need to be addressed? What existing technologies might advance implementation of ocean-based climate solutions, and what innovations are needed?

4. *Environmental Justice, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.* How can the benefits of ocean-based climate

solutions be shared equitably? How should we engage communities in local implementation? How should we ensure that ocean-based climate solutions are implemented in ways that do not harm underserved communities? What opportunities exist for training and employing a diverse and inclusive blue workforce in implementing ocean-based climate solutions?

5. *Partnerships and Collaboration.* What solutions can/should come from outside of government? Where and how can the Federal government partner with external stakeholders across regions and sectors to effectively mitigate and adapt to climate change through ocean-based climate solutions?

6. *Additional Comments:* Please provide any other input that you believe is pertinent to this RFI, within the page limit.

Please note that the OCAP will also inform the OPC's work to develop a *National Strategy for a Sustainable Ocean Economy* (National Strategy), which will describe a vision and set high-level goals for the sustainable management of the Nation's ocean, coasts, and Great Lakes, and frame development of a national plan towards a sustainable ocean economy. For more information, see <https://www.noaa.gov/interagency-ocean-policy>. OSTP and CEQ will solicit public comment on the National Strategy through public notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: September 29, 2022.

Stacy Murphy,

Operations Manager.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[SEC File No. 270-174, OMB Control No. 3235-0179]

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request; Extension: Rule
31a-2**

Upon Written Request, Copies Available From: Securities and Exchange Commission, Office of FOIA Services, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549-2736.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") a request for extension of the previously approved collection of information discussed below.

Section 31(a)(1) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-1 *et seq.*) (the "Act") requires registered investment companies ("funds") and certain underwriters, broker-dealers, investment advisers, and depositors to maintain and preserve records as prescribed by Commission rules. Rule 31a-1 (17 CFR 270.31a-1) under the Act specifies the books and records that each of these entities must maintain. Rule 31a-2 (17 CFR 270.31a-2) under the Act specifies the time periods that entities must retain certain books and records, including those required to be maintained under rule 31a-1.

The retention of records, as required by the rule, is necessary to ensure access to material business and financial information about funds and certain related entities. We periodically inspect the operations of funds to ensure they are in compliance with the Act and regulations under the Act. Due to the limits on our resources, however, each fund may only be inspected at intervals of several years. In addition, the prosecution of persons who have engaged in certain violations of the federal securities laws may not be limited by timing restrictions. For these reasons, we often need information relating to events or transactions that occurred years ago. Without the requirement to preserve books, records, and other documents, our staff would have difficulty determining whether the fund was in compliance with the law in such areas as valuation of its portfolio securities, computation of the prices investors paid, and, when purchasing and selling fund shares, types and amounts of expenses the fund incurred, kinds of investments the fund purchased, actions of affiliated persons, or whether the fund had engaged in any illegal or fraudulent activities. As part of our examinations of funds, our staff also reviews the materials that directors consider in approving the advisory contract.

There are 2,754 funds currently operating as of December 31, 2021, all of which are required to comply with rule 31a-2. The Commission staff estimates that, on average, a fund spends 220.4 hours annually to comply with the rule. The Commission therefore estimates the total annual hour burden of the rule's and form's paperwork requirements to be 606,981.60 hours. In addition to the burden hours, the Commission staff estimates that the average yearly cost to each fund that is subject to rule 31a-2 is about \$40,577.95. The Commission estimates total annual cost is therefore about \$111.8 million.

Estimates of average burden hours and costs are made solely for purposes of the Paperwork Reduction Act and are not derived from a comprehensive or even representative survey or study of the costs of Commission rules and forms. Compliance with the collection of information requirements of the rule is mandatory. Responses to the disclosure requirements will not be kept confidential. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The public may view background documentation for this information collection at the following website: www.reginfo.gov. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice by November 3, 2022 to (i) MBX.OMB.OIRA.SEC_desk_officer@omb.eop.gov and (ii) David Bottom, Director/Chief Information Officer, Securities and Exchange Commission, c/o John Pezzullo, 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC 20549, or by sending an email to: PRA_Mailbox@sec.gov.

Dated: September 28, 2022.

J. Matthew DeLesDernier,
Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-95937; File No. SR-FINRA-2022-025]

**Self-Regulatory Organizations;
Financial Industry Regulatory
Authority, Inc.; Notice of Designation
of a Longer Period for Commission
Action on a Proposed Rule Change To
Amend FINRA Rule 11880 (Settlement
of Syndicate Accounts) To Revise the
Syndicate Account Settlement
Timeframe for Corporate Debt
Offerings**

September 28, 2022.

On August 5, 2022, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. ("FINRA") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² a

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.