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DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before July 20, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Scott Gibbons, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Workforce Security, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Frances Perkins Bldg., Room S-4531, Washington, DC 20210, telephone number (202)-693-3308 (this is not a toll-free number) or by e-mail: gibbons.scott@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background: The ETA 5159 report contains information on claims activities including the number of initial claims, first payments, weeks claimed, weeks compensated, benefit payments and final payments. These data are used in budgetary and administrative planning, program evaluation, actuarial and program research, and reports to Congress and the public.

II. Desired Focus of Comments: Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension of the ETA 5159, Claims and Payment Activities report. Comments are requested to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary to describe claims and payment activities, 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 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.

III. Current Actions: This is a request for OMB approval under the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) for continuing an existing collection of information previously approved and assigned OMB Control No. 1205-0010.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration

Title: Claims and Payment Activities.

OMB Number: 1205-0010.

Agency Number: ETA 5159.

Affected Public: State Government.

Cite/Reference/Form/etc: ETA 5159.

Total Respondents: 53.

Frequency: Monthly.

Total Responses: 636.

Average Time per Response: 2 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 1,272 hours per year.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$0.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 11, 2009.

Cheryl Atkinson,

Administrator, Office of Workforce Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Proposed Information Collection Request on Applications for UI Modernization Incentive Payments; Comment Request for Extension Without Change

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collection 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 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.

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by contacting the office listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice or by accessing: <http://www.doleta.gov/OMBCN/OMBControlNumber.cfm>.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before July 20, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Scott Gibbons, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Workforce Security, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Frances Perkins Bldg. Room S-4531, Washington, DC 20210, telephone number (202) 693-3008 (this is not a toll-free number) or by e-mail: gibbons.scott@dol.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background: Section 2003(f) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) provides for Unemployment Insurance (UI) modernization incentive payments to be made from the Unemployment Trust Fund (UTF) to the states. The total amount available for all states is \$7 billion dollars. To obtain its share, the state must make an application to the Department of Labor demonstrating that its UI law contains certain benefit eligibility provisions. The last date on which an incentive distribution may be made is September 30, 2011. When applying for a share of the UI modernization incentive payments, a state must document the provisions of its law that meet the requirements for obtaining an incentive payment. The state is also required to describe how it intends to use any incentive payment to improve or strengthen its UI program.

II. Desired Focus of Comments: Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning this data collection. Comments are requested that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary to evaluate proposals, 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;
- Address the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Address the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including 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.

III. Current Actions: This is a request for OMB approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)) for continuing an existing collection of information previously approved and assigned OMB Control No. 1205-0470.

Type of Review: Extension without change.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Applications for Unemployment Insurance Modernization Incentive Payments.

OMB Number: 1205-0470.

Agency Number: N/A.

Affected Public: State Government.

Cite/Reference/Form/etc: N/A.

Total Respondents: 53.

Frequency: One time collection.

Total Responses: 53.

Average Time per Response: 8 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 424 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$0.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: Friday, May 15, 2009.

Cheryl Atkinson,

Administrator, Office of Workforce Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

May 18, 2009.

The Department of Labor (DOL) hereby announces the submission of 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 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, including among other things a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained from the RegInfo.gov Web site at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> or by contacting Darrin King on 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number)/email: DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

Interested parties are encouraged to send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Department of Labor—Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Telephone: 202-395-7316/ Fax: 202-395-6974 (these are not toll-free numbers), E-mail:

OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**. In order to ensure the appropriate consideration, comments should reference the OMB Control Number (see below).

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Type of Review: Reinstatement without change of a previously approved collection.

Title of Collection: Veterans Supplement to the CPS.

OMB Control Number: 1220-0102.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 12,000.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 400.

Total Estimated Annual Costs Burden: \$0.

Description: The Veterans Supplement to the Current Population Survey (CPS) is conducted biennially and the next scheduled date is August 2009. This supplement is co-sponsored by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and by the U.S. Department of Labor's Veterans Employment and Training Service (VETS). Data collected through this supplement will be used to determine policies that better meet the needs of our Nation's veteran population. The supplement provided

information on the labor force status of veterans with a service-connected disability, combat veterans, past or present National Guard and Reserve members, and recently discharged veterans. Data are provided by period of service and a range of demographic characteristics. The supplement also provides information about veterans participation in various transition and employment training programs. Respondents are veterans who are not currently on active duty or are members of a household where a veteran lives. For additional information, see related notice published at Vol. 74 FR 9830 on March 6, 2009.

Darrin A. King,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Comment Request for Information Collection for Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicemembers (UCX) Handbook; Extension Without Change

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance 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 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. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the extension of the Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicemembers (UCX) Handbook, Number 384.

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DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the