

accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of each individual ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor. To obtain documentation contract Marlene Howze at (202) 693-4158 or e-mail Howze-Marlene@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for BLS, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

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 assumption 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.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Agency: Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

Title: Producer Price Index Survey.

OMB Number: 1220-0008.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Time Per Response and Total Burden Hours:

| Form | Number of respondents | Frequency | Total responses | Average time per response (minutes) | Estimated total burden (hours) |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| BLS 1810A, A1, B, C, C1, and E | 1,585 | Once | 6,340 | 120 | 12,680 |
| BLS 473P | 26,250 | Monthly | 1,260,000 | 18 | 378,000 |
| Totals | 27,835 | | 1,266,340 | | 390,680 |

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

Total Annual Costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing service): \$0.

Description: The Producer Price Index, one of the Nation's leading economic indicators, is used as a measure of price movements, as an indicator of inflationary trends, for inventory valuation, and as a measure of purchasing power of the dollar at the primary market level. It is also used for market and economic research and as a basis for escalation in long-term contracts and purchase agreements. The failure to calculate data would tend to extend the time frame required for accurate recognition of and appropriate adaptation to economic events.

Ira L. Mills,

DOL Clearance Officer.

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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 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 revision of the "Labor Market Information (LMI) Cooperative Agreement." A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by 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 May 24, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Amy A. Hobby, BLS Clearance Officer, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 4080, 2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Washington, DC 20212, telephone number 202-691-7628 (this is not a toll free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy A. Hobby, BLS Clearance Officer, telephone number 202-691-7628. (See Addresses section.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The BLS enters into Cooperative Agreements with State Employment Security Agencies (SESAs) annually to provide financial assistance to the SESAs for the production and operation of the following LMI statistical programs: Current Employment Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics, Occupational Employment Statistics, Covered Employment and Wages Report, and Mass Layoff Statistics. The Cooperative Agreement provides the basis for managing the administrative and financial aspects of these programs.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

The BLS 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 submissions of responses.

III. Current Action

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) clearance is being sought for the LMI Cooperative Agreement. The existing collection of information allows Federal staff to negotiate the Cooperative Agreement with the SESAs

and monitor their financial and programmatic performance and adherence to administrative requirements imposed by common regulations implementing OMB Circular A-102 and other grant-related regulations. The information collected also is used for planning and budgeting at the Federal level and in meeting Federal reporting requirements.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Agency: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Title: Labor Market Information (LMI) Cooperative Agreement.

OMB Number: 1220-0079.

Affected Public: State, Local or Tribal Governments.

Frequency: Monthly, quarterly, annually.

| Information collection | Respondents | Frequency | Responses | Time | Total hours |
|--|-------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-------------|
| Work Statements | 55 | 1 | 55 | 1-2 hr | 55-110 |
| BIF (LMI 1A, 1B) | 55 | 1 | 55 | 1-6 hr | 55-330 |
| Quarterly Automated Financial Reports | 48 | 4 | 192 | 10-50 min ... | 32-160 |
| Monthly Automated Financial Reports | 48 | *8 | 384 | 5-25 min | 32-160 |
| BLS Cooperative Statistics Financial Report (LMI 2A) | 7 | 12 | 84 | 1-5 hr | 84-420 |
| Quarterly Status Report (LMI 2B) | 1-30 | 4 | 4-120 | 1 hr | 4-120 |
| Total | 1-55 | | 774-890 | | 262-1300 |
| Average Totals | 55 | | 832 | | 781 |

*Reports are not received for end-of-quarter months, i.e., December, March, June, September.

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

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

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

Signed at Washington, DC, this 12th day of March, 2002.

Jesús Salinas,

Acting Chief, Division of Management Systems, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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COMMISSION ON OCEAN POLICY

Public Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy will hold its fourth regional meeting, the Commission's sixth public meeting, to hear and discuss coastal and ocean issues of concern to the Southwest region of the United States, covering the coastal area of California.

DATES: Public meetings will be held Thursday, April 18, 2002 from 12:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. and Friday, April 19, 2002 from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location is the Embassy Room, Davidson Executive Conference Center, University of Southern California, 3415 Figueroa

Street, Los Angeles, California 90089-0871.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Terry Schaff, U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy, 1120 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20036, 202-418-3442, schaff@oceancommission.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held pursuant to requirements under the Oceans Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-256, Section 3(e)(1)(E)). The agenda will include presentations by invited speakers representing local and regional government agencies and non-governmental organizations, comments from the public and any required administrative discussions and executive sessions. Invited speakers and members of the public are requested to submit their statements for the record electronically by April 10, 2002 to the meeting Point of Contact. Public comment periods are scheduled for Thursday, April 18 and Friday, April 19. The agenda for the meeting, including specific times for the public comment periods, and guidelines for making public comments will be posted on the Commission's website at <http://www.oceancommission.gov> prior to the meeting.

Dated: March 19, 2002.

Admiral James D. Watkins,

USN (ret.), Chairman, U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for Reinstatement of a Revised Information Collection: RI 20-80

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13, May 22, 1995), this notice announces that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for reinstatement of a revised information collection. RI 20-80, Alternative Annuity Election, is used for individuals who are eligible to elect whether to receive a reduced annuity and a lump-sum payment equal to their retirement contributions (alternative form of annuity) or an unreduced annuity and no lump sum.

Approximately 200 RI 20-80 forms are completed annually. We estimate it takes approximately 20 minutes to complete the form. The annual burden is 67 hours.

For copies of this proposal, contact Mary Beth Smith-Toomey on (202) 606-8358, FAX (202) 418-3251 or E-mail to mbtoomey@opm.gov. Please include your mailing address with your request.

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received on or before April 24, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to—