Additional Protocol; OMB Control Number 0704–0454.

Needs and Uses: This requirement is necessary to provide for protection of information or activities with national security significance. As such, this information collection requires contractors to comply with the notification process at DFARS clause 252.204–7010, Requirement for Contractor to Notify DoD if the Contractor's Activities are Subject to Reporting Under the U.S.-International Atomic Energy Agency Additional Protocol.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 300. Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 300.

Average Burden per Response: 1 hour. Annual Burden Hours: 300.

Frequency: On occasion.

## **Summary of Information Collection**

Under the U.S.-International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Additional Protocol, the United States is required to declare a wide range of public and private nuclear-related activities to the IAEA and potentially provide access to IAEA inspectors for verification purposes. The U.S.-IAEA Additional Protocol permits the United States unilaterally to declare exclusions from inspection requirements for activities with direct national security significance.

The clause at 252.204–7010 is included in contracts for research and development or major defense acquisition programs involving fissionable materials (e.g., uranium, plutonium, neptunium, thorium, americium); other radiological source materials; or technologies directly related to nuclear power production, including nuclear or radiological waste materials.

The clause requires a contractor to provide written notification to the applicable DoD program manager and a copy of the notification to the contracting officer, if the contractor is required to report its activities under the U.S.-IAEA Additional Protocol. Upon such notification, DoD will determine if access may be granted to IAEA inspectors, or if a national security exclusion should be applied.

### Mary Overstreet,

Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

## Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education (ED). **ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection requests.

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** An emergency review has been requested in accordance with the Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 3507 (j)), since public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. Approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has been requested by December 9, 2011. A regular clearance process is also beginning. Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 27, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, be faxed to (202) 395–5806 or emailed to

oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov with a cc: to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section** 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Director of OMB provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4)

Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. ED invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: November 22, 2011.

### Darrin A. King,

Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.

#### **Federal Student Aid**

Type of Review: New. Title: Loan Verification Certificate for Special Direct Consolidation Loans.

OMB #: Pending.

Abstract: This Loan Verification Certificate (LVC) will serve as the means by which the U.S. Department of Education (the Department) collects certain information from commercial holders of Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program loans that a borrower wishes to consolidate into the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program under a special initiative announced by the White House in an October 25, 2011 fact sheet titled "Help Americans Manage Student Loan Debt." Loans made under this initiative are known as Special Direct Consolidation Loans. The information collected on the LVC includes the amount needed to pay off the loans that the borrower wants to consolidate and other information required by the Department to make and service a Special Direct Consolidation Loan.

The purpose of the special consolidation initiative is to encourage borrowers who have both commercially-held FFEL Program loans and other loans that are held by the Department (either Direct Loan Program loans or FFEL Program loans previously sold to the Department by a FFEL Program lender) to consolidate their commercially-held FFEL Program loans into the Direct Loan Program. Currently, these borrowers have at least two loan servicers and are required to make at least two separate monthly payments on

their federal education loans. This makes repayment more difficult and increases the likelihood of a borrower becoming delinquent or going into default. For a borrower who has both commercially-held FFEL Program loans and Department-held loans, consolidation of the commercially-held loans into the Direct Loan Program will simplify repayment by allowing the borrower to make a single monthly loan payment to one entity (a federal loan servicer under contract to the Department), thereby reducing the likelihood of delinquency or default. As an incentive for borrowers to consolidate under the special initiative, the Department is offering reduced interest rates on Special Direct Consolidation Loans.

#### Additional Information

The Department is requesting emergency clearance of the Special Direct Consolidation Loan LVC because the regular clearance process would prevent the Department from making Special Direct Consolidation Loans by the announced implementation date. Further, because the statutory authority under which the Department is providing the incentives will end on June 30, 2012, the use of normal clearance procedures would significantly shorten the already limited period during which Special Direct Consolidation Loans can be offered, with the result that fewer borrowers would be able to benefit from the reduced interest rates offered as part of the special initiative.

# Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden

Responses: 62,633. Burden Hours: 1,565,825.

Copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from http://edicsweb.ed.gov, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4757. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the Internet address ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to (202) 401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–(800) 877–8339.

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# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OW-2004-0015; FRL-9496-7]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Clean Water Act State Revolving Fund Program (Renewal)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this document announces that an Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This is a request to renew an existing approved collection. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost.

**DATES:** Additional comments may be submitted on or before December 28, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2004-0015, to: (1) EPA online using http://www.regulations.gov (our preferred method), by email to: OW-Docket@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Water Docket, Mail Code: 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) OMB by mail to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Clifford Yee, Office of Wastewater Management, Mail Code: 4204M, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564–0598; fax number: (202) 501–2403; email address: yee.clifford@epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On July 11, 2011 (76 FR 40723), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments during the comment period.

Any additional comments on this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2004-0015, which is available for online viewing at http:// www.regulations.gov, or in person viewing at the Water Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The EPA/DC Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the Water Docket is (202) 566-2426.

Use EPA's electronic docket and comment system at http:// www.regulations.gov, to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the docket, and to access those documents in the docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "docket search," then key in the docket ID number identified above. Please note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing at http://www.regulations.gov as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, confidential business information (CBI), or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. For further information about the electronic docket. go to http://www.regulations.gov.

Title: Clean Water Act State Revolving Fund Program (Renewal).

*ICR Numbers:* EPA ICR No. 1391.10, OMB Control No. 2040–0118.

ICR Status: This ICR is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2011. Under OMB regulations, the Agency may continue to conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB. 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 OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the CFR, after appearing in the Federal Register when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers in certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: The Clean Water Act (CWA), as amended by "The Water Quality Act