

public comment, the continuation of the computer matching program.

1. Names of Participating Agencies

The Department of Education (recipient agency) and the Department of Defense (source agency).

2. Purpose of the Match

The purpose of this matching program is to ensure that the requirements of sections 420R and 473(b) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1070h and 20 U.S.C. 1087mm(b)) are fulfilled.

DoD (source agency) is the lead contact agency for information related to benefits for military service dependents and, as such, provides these data to ED. ED (recipient agency) seeks access to the information contained in the DoD Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) system and the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS).

3. Authority for Conducting the Matching Program

Under sections 420R and 473(b) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1070h and 20 U.S.C. 1087mm(b)), ED must identify the children of military personnel who have died as a result of their military service in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001, to determine if the child is eligible for increased amounts of title IV, HEA program assistance.

DoD and ED have determined that using DoD data provided to ED for matching against ED's Federal Student Aid Application File (18-11-01) is the only practical method that the agencies can use to meet the statutory requirements of the HEA.

4. Categories of Records and Individuals Covered by the Match

DoD will submit for verification records from its DMDC and DEERS data bases to ED's Central Processing System files (Federal Student Aid Application File (18-11-01)), the Social Security number (SSN) and other identifying information for each qualifying dependent record. ED will use the SSN, date of birth, and the first two letters of an applicant's last name to match with the Federal Student Aid Application File.

The DoD DMDC and DEERS systems contain the names, SSNs, dates of birth, and other identifying information about dependents of service personnel who died as a result of performing their military service in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001. This system of records also contains the dates on which the service members died.

5. Effective Dates of the Matching Program

The matching program will be effective on the last of the following dates: (1) February 2, 2015; (2) 30 days after notice of the matching program has been published in the **Federal Register**; or (3) 40 days after a report concerning the matching program has been transmitted to OMB and transmitted to the Congress along with a copy of this agreement, unless OMB waives 10 days of this 40-day period for compelling reasons shown, in which case, 30 days after transmission of the report to OMB and Congress.

The matching program will continue for 18 months after the effective date of the computer matching agreement and may be extended for an additional 12 months thereafter, if the conditions specified in 5 U.S.C. 552a(o)(2)(D) have been met.

6. Address for Receipt of Public Comments or Inquiries

Marya Dennis, Management and Program Analyst, U.S. Department of Education, Federal Student Aid, Union Center Plaza, Room 63G2, 830 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20202-5454. Telephone: (202) 377-3385. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) or text telephone (TTY), call the Federal Relay Service (FRS), toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

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Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552a.

Dated: December 29, 2014.

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Chief Operating Officer Federal Student Aid.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Agency information collection activities: Proposed information collection; notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The EIA invites public comment on a proposed collection of information that EIA is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The EIA is soliciting comments on the proposed reinstatement of the Forms EIA-457A, C, D, E, F, and G, "2015 Residential Energy Consumption Survey." Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) 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; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before March 3, 2015. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to James "Chip" Berry. To ensure receipt of the comments by the due date, submission by email is recommended (james.berry@eia.gov). Comments may also be submitted by mail to James Berry, Survey Manager, EI-22, Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585. Alternatively, Mr. Berry may be contacted by telephone at (202) 586-5543.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the forms and instructions should be directed to Mr. Berry at the contact information given above. To view the forms online please go to: <http://www.eia.gov/survey/#eia-457>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93–275, 15 U.S.C. 761 *et seq.*) and the DOE Organization Act (Pub. L. 95–91, 42 U.S.C. 7101 *et seq.*) requires EIA to carry out a centralized, comprehensive, and unified energy information program. This program collects, evaluates, assembles, analyzes, and disseminates information on energy resource reserves, production, demand, technology, and related economic and statistical information. This information is used to assess the adequacy of energy resources to meet near and longer-term domestic demands.

EIA, as part of its effort to comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. 35), provides the general public and other Federal agencies with opportunities to comment on collections of energy information conducted by or in conjunction with EIA. Any comments received help EIA to prepare data requests that maximize the utility of the information collected, and to assess the impact of collection requirements on the public. Also, EIA will later seek approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under section 3507(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

The Residential Energy Consumption Survey (RECS) is a periodic series of surveys of households and their energy suppliers with the purpose of collecting and reporting energy characteristics, consumption, and expenditures data of homes in the United States. The data are widely used throughout the government and the private sector for policy analysis and are made available to the public via data tables, public-use data files, and analysis articles. The most recent survey, the 2009 RECS, was the 13th iteration of the program. Data, reports, survey forms, and documentation from the 2009 RECS are available at EIA's Residential Consumption homepage at <http://www.eia.gov/consumption/residential/>. Results and documentation from earlier surveys are also available at this Web site. Please refer to the survey Web site for more detailed information about the purpose of the RECS and discussions of survey and data collection methodologies.

EIA administers the RECS to a nationally representative sample of households. A follow-on survey of

rental agents (e.g. apartment managers or landlords) is also conducted to collect more accurate structural and equipment information for household respondents living in apartments. Specially trained interviewers collect energy characteristics on the housing unit, usage patterns, and household demographics. The household and rental agent data collections are conducted on a voluntary basis and in-person with each respondent. This information is combined with data from energy suppliers to these homes to estimate energy costs and usage for heating, cooling, appliances and other end uses. The energy supplier surveys are collected primarily via a secure Web site and response is mandatory. Similar designs and methods are planned for the next iteration of the RECS, the 2015 RECS.

This information collection contains:

(1) *OMB No.*: 1905–0092.

(2) *Information Collection Request*

Title: EIA–457A C, D, E, F, G, “Residential Energy Consumption Survey”.

(3) *Type of Request*: Reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection for which approval has discontinued.

(4) *Purpose*: Need for and proposed use of the information: The RECS is used to collect data on energy characteristics, consumption, and expenditures of U.S. homes. These data collections fulfill planning, analyses and decision-making needs of DOE, other Federal agencies, State governments, and the private sector. Respondents are householders of selected housing units and their energy suppliers. Response obligations are Voluntary (households) and Mandatory (energy suppliers).

This will be a proposed reinstatement of a previously approved collection and three-year clearance request to OMB. The content of the 2015 RECS will be largely unchanged from the 2009 RECS. Sampling will incorporate key definitions and elements from previous RECS. Housing units will be selected via a multi-stage area probability sample design and will be statistically representative of U.S. occupied housing units, as well as selected sub-national geographies.

The EIA proposes the following changes to the RECS:

a. The sample size for the 2015 RECS will be smaller than the 2009 RECS. The sample size and publishable results for the 2015 RECS will be comparable to the 2001 and 2005 surveys.

b. The content of the household questionnaire will remain relatively unchanged from the 2009 RECS.

Detailed information about the following characteristics of the home and data items that support the energy supplier collection will continue to be collected:

- Structural characteristics, including square footage
- Appliances
- Entertainment devices and miscellaneous electric loads
- Primary and secondary heating
- Cooling
- Water heating
- Household demographics
- Energy supplier and payment information

Minor updates will be made to items in these areas in the interest of respondent clarity or to adjust to changes in technology. For example, EIA will collect information about tablet usage, revise refrigerator size categories to align with current stock, collect information on the use of wood pellets, and capture the penetration of ground-source heat pumps. Some items are also planned for removal, including residential transportation items.

c. The scope of the supplemental RECS form EIA 457–C, “Rental Agent Survey” will be expanded to include all responding households living in apartments. In previous RECS only those responding households who paid some or all of their energy bills through rent or condo fees were selected for the follow-on Rental Agent Survey. Analysis of the 2009 RECS indicates that the data quality for all apartment unit respondents would be significantly improved by asking critical questions of associated apartment rental agents (e.g. leasing agents, property managers, or landlords.)

(5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents*: 1,933.

a. Household Survey: 1,500.

b. Rental Agent Survey: 183.

c. Energy Supplier Surveys: 250.

(6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses*: 4,334.

a. Household Survey: 1,500.

b. Rental Agent Survey: 367.

c. Energy Supplier Surveys: 2,467.

(7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours*: 1,959.

a. Household Survey: 1,250.

b. Rental Agent Survey: 92.

c. Energy Supplier Surveys: 617.

(8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden*: EIA

estimates that there are no capital and start-up costs associated with this data collection. The information is maintained in the normal course of business. For household respondents no additional record keeping or other burden is required outside the interview

process. The cost of burden hours to all household, rental agent, and energy supplier respondents is estimated to be \$135,817 (1,959 annual burden hours times \$69.33 per hour.) Therefore, other than the cost of burden hours, EIA estimates that there are no additional costs for generating, maintaining and providing the information.

Statutory Authority: Section 13(b) of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974, Pub. L. 93–275, codified at 15 U.S.C. 772(b).

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Lawrence Stroud,

Acting Director, Office of Survey Development and Statistical Integration, U.S. Energy Information Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL00–95–248]

San Diego Gas & Electric Company v. Sellers of Energy and Ancillary Services Into Markets Operated by the California Independent System Operator Corporation and the California Power Exchange; Notice of Filing

Take notice that on December 10, 2014, the California Parties¹ filed proposed data templates for compliance filings and proposed procedures for implementing the Commission's Opinion No. 536,² as more fully explained in the California Parties' filing.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion

to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant and all the parties in this proceeding.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for electronic review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on December 31, 2014.

Dated: December 23, 2014.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OPP–2014–0479; FRL–9916–07]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request Reporting in the FIFRA Cooperative Agreement Work Plan and Report Template OMB Control No. 2070–NEW

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The ICR, entitled "Reporting in the FIFRA Cooperative Agreement Work Plan and Report Template" and identified by EPA ICR No. 2511.01 and OMB Control No. 2070–NEW, represents a new request. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection that is summarized in this document. The ICR and accompanying material are

available in the docket for public review and comment.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 3, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA–HQ–OPP–2014–0479, by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

- *Mail:* OPP Docket, Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), (28221T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001.

- *Hand Delivery:* To make special arrangements for hand delivery or delivery of boxed information, please follow the instructions at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets/contacts.html>.

Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. What information is EPA particularly interested in?

Pursuant to PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

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 estimates 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

¹ California Parties means collectively, the People of the State of California *ex rel.* Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General, the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, and Southern California Edison Company.

² *San Diego Gas & Elec. Co. v. Sellers of Energy and Ancillary Services Into Markets Operated by the California Independent System Operator and the California Power Exchange*, 149 FERC ¶ 61,116 (2014) (Opinion No. 536).