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By order of the Commission.

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Lisa R. Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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JOINT BOARD FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF ACTUARIES

Meeting of the Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries gives notice of a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Actuarial Examinations (a portion of which will be open to the public) in Arlington, VA, on January 11–12, 2018.

DATES: Thursday, January 11, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Friday, January 12, 2018, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Internal Revenue Service, 2345 Crystal Drive, Suite 400, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Van Osten, Designated Federal Officer, Advisory Committee on Actuarial Examinations, at 703–414–2163.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the Advisory Committee on Actuarial Examinations will meet at the Internal Revenue Service, 2345 Crystal Drive, Suite 400, Arlington, VA 22202, on Thursday, January 11, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Friday, January 12, 2018, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss topics and questions that may be recommended for inclusion on future Joint Board examinations in actuarial mathematics and methodology referred to in 29 U.S.C. 1242(a)(1)(B) and to review the November 2017 Pension (EA–2F) Examination in order to make recommendations relative thereto, including the minimum acceptable pass score. Topics for inclusion on the syllabus for the Joint Board's examination program for the May 2018 Basic (EA–1) Examination and the May 2018 Pension (EA–2L) Examination also will be discussed.

A determination has been made as required by section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., that the portions of the meeting dealing with the discussion of questions that may appear on the Joint Board's examinations and the review of the November 2017 Pension (EA–2F) Examination fall within the exceptions to the open meeting requirement set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B), and that the public interest requires that such portions be closed to public participation.

The portion of the meeting dealing with the discussion of the other topics will commence at 1:00 p.m. on January 11, 2018, and will continue for as long as necessary to complete the discussion, but not beyond 3:00 p.m. Time permitting, after the close of this discussion by Advisory Committee members, interested persons may make statements germane to this subject. Persons wishing to make oral statements should contact the Designated Federal Officer at nhqjbea@irs.gov and include the written text or outline of comments they propose to make orally. Such comments will be limited to 10 minutes in length. Persons who wish to attend the public session should contact the Designated Federal Officer at nhqjbea@irs.gov to obtain teleconference access or building access instructions. Notifications of intent to make an oral statement or to attend the meeting must be sent electronically to the Designated Federal Officer by no later than January 4, 2018. Any interested person also may file a written statement for consideration by the Joint Board and the Advisory Committee by sending it to: Internal Revenue Service; Attn: Ms. Elizabeth Van Osten, Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries SE:RPO; Park 4, Floor 4; 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224.

Dated: December 19, 2017.

Thomas V. Curtin,

Executive Director, Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

[OMB Number 1140–0030]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection eComments Requested; Records and Supporting Data: Importation, Receipt, Storage, and Disposition by Explosives Importers, Manufacturers, Dealers, and Users

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 30-Day notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice (DOJ), Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register**, on October 25, 2017, allowing for a 60-day comment period.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for an additional 30 days until January 26, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have additional comments, particularly with respect to the estimated public burden or associated response time, have suggestions, need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or desire any other additional information, please contact Anita Scheddel, Program Analyst, Explosives Industry Programs Branch, either by mail 99 New York Ave. NE, Washington, DC 20226, by email at Anita.Scheddel@atf.gov, or by telephone at (202)-648–7158. Written comments and/or suggestions can also be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503 or sent to OIRA_submissions@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

—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;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; 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.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

(2) *The Title of the Form/Collection:* Records and Supporting Data: Importation, Receipt, Storage, and Disposition by Explosives Importers, Manufacturers, Dealers, and Users Licensed Under Title 18 U.S.C. Chapter 40 Explosives.

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* Form number: None.

Component: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, U.S. Department of Justice.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:*

Primary: Business or other for-profit.

Other: None.

Abstract: The records show daily activities in the importation, manufacture, receipt, storage, and disposition of all explosive materials covered under 18 U.S.C. Chapter 40 Explosives. The records are used to show where and to whom explosive materials are sent, thereby ensuring that any diversions will be readily apparent, and if lost or stolen, ATF will be immediately notified.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* An estimated 9,927 respondents will utilize this collection, and it will take each respondent approximately 12.6 hours to complete this information collection.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The estimated annual public burden associated with this collection is 625,401 hours which is equal to (49,635

(total # of annual responses) * 12.6 (# of hours per response).

(7) *An Explanation of the Change in Estimates:* The adjustments associated with this collection are a decrease in the number of respondents by 40,592, and reduction in the total responses and burden hours by 587,935 and 12,169 respectively, when compared to the previous information collection renewal.

If additional information is required contact: Melody Braswell, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, 3E.405A, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: December 21, 2017.

Melody Braswell,

Department Clearance Officer for PRA, U.S. Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OLP Docket No. 167]

Notice of Request for Certification of Texas Capital Counsel Mechanism

AGENCY: Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the State of Texas has provided additional information regarding its request for certification of its capital counsel mechanism by the Attorney General, and that the period to submit public comment to the Department of Justice regarding Texas's request has been extended to 60 days from the date of publication of this notice.

DATES: Written and electronic comments must be submitted on or before February 26, 2018. Comments received by mail will be considered timely if they are postmarked on or before that date. The electronic Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) will accept comments until Midnight Eastern Time at the end of that day.

ADDRESSES: To ensure proper handling of comments, please reference "Docket No. OLP 167" on all electronic and written correspondence. The Department encourages that all comments be submitted electronically through <http://www.regulations.gov> using the electronic comment form provided on that site. Paper comments that duplicate the electronic submission should not be submitted. Individuals who wish to submit written comments may send those to the contact listed in

the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** section immediately below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laurence Rothenberg, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, U.S. Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20530; telephone (202) 532-4465.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Chapter 154 of title 28, United States Code, provides special procedures for federal habeas corpus review of cases brought by prisoners in State custody who are subject to capital sentences. These special procedures may be available to a State only if the Attorney General of the United States has certified that the State has established a qualifying mechanism for the appointment, compensation, and payment of reasonable litigation expenses of competent counsel in State postconviction proceedings for indigent capital prisoners. 28 U.S.C. 2261, 2265; 28 CFR part 26.

On November 16, 2017, the Department of Justice, Office of Legal Policy published a notice in the **Federal Register** (82 FR 53530, OLP Docket No. 167, Document No. 2017-24874, available at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/11/16/2017-24874/notice-of-request-for-certification-of-texas-capital-counsel-mechanism>), advising the public of Texas's request for certification, dated March 11, 2013, and requesting public comment regarding that request. The Department also sent a letter to Texas, dated November 16, 2017, asking whether the State wished to supplement or update that request.

This notice advises the public that the State of Texas has submitted additional information in regard to its prior request for certification. Public comment is solicited regarding Texas's request, and the comment period has been extended to 60 days from the date of publication of this notice. Texas's request and supporting materials may be viewed at <https://www.justice.gov/olp/pending-requests-final-decisions>.

One comment received by the Department in response to the Department's November 16, 2017 notice requested the comment period be extended from 60 days to 90 days from the date of publication of Texas's supplemental information. The Department declines at this time to extend the comment period to 90 days, but, as noted, has extended the deadline for public comment until 60 days from the date of publication of this notice. Further, the Department may choose to solicit additional public comment if necessary during the review process.