DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB Number 1140–0096]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection
eComments Requested; Environmental Information

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

ACTION: 60-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.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until August 10, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have additional comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Christopher Reeves, Chief, Federal Explosives Licensing Center at Christopher.Reeves@atf.gov, 244 Needy Road, Martinsburg, WV 25405.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10. 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 1140–0096:

1. Type of Information Collection: Extension without change of an existing collection.
2. The Title of the Form/Collection: Environmental Information.
3. The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:
   - Form number: ATF Form 5000.29.
   - 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: Individual or households. Other: None.
   - Abstract: The information will help ATF identify any waste product(s) generated as a result of the operations by the applicant and the disposal of the products. The information will help determine if there is any adverse impact on the environment.
5. An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: An estimated 680 respondents will take 30 minutes to complete the form.
6. An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: The estimated annual public burden associated with this collection is 340 hours.

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

Dated: June 8, 2015.

Jerri Murray,
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burden on current and future reporting entities and users of the system.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Each quarter, States and territories submit data on individuals and employers who receive core employment and workforce information services through the public labor exchange and VETS funded labor exchange of the States’ one-stop delivery systems. These data are used by ETA and VETS to evaluate performance and delivery of labor exchange services within the one-stop delivery system. ETA and VETS use the data to track total participants, their characteristics, services provided, and outcomes for job seekers. Additionally, ETA and VETS analyze the data to verify the delivery of core labor exchange services within the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA) framework; to study performance outcomes vis-à-vis performance measures, and State policies and procedures; and to help drive the workforce investment system toward continuous improvement of outcomes and integrated service delivery. Within ETA, the data are used by the Office of Workforce Investment, the Office of Unemployment Insurance, the Office of Financial Administration, the Office of Policy Development and Research, and the Office of Regional Management (including the regional offices). Other Departmental users include the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training and the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy.

The reports and other analyses of the data are made available to the States, members of Congress, veterans’ organizations, research firms, and others needing information on public employment and workforce information services. Data on Wagner-Peyser Act funded public labor exchange is included in the WIA annual report to Congress. VETS funded labor exchange services are provided to Congress to meet VETS reporting requirements codified in Title 38 of the United States Code.

Currently, LERS is the only mechanism for collecting performance information on Wagner-Peyser Act funded and jobs for Veterans’ state grants. As such, this set of reports is necessary for tracking and reporting to stakeholders data on the usage and performance of these programs. More specifically, these reports are used to measure provided, and outcomes for the program—mainly, tracking how many people found jobs; did people stay employed; and what were their earnings.

Information is collected on the ETA 9002 and VETS 200 reports under the following authority:

- Wagner-Peyser Act sec. 3(a), 29 U.S.C. 49b(a)
- Wagner-Peyser Act sec. 3(c), 29 U.S.C. 49b(c)
- Wagner-Peyser Act sec. 7(b), 29 U.S.C. 49f(b)
- Wagner-Peyser Act sec. 10(c), 29 U.S.C. 49i(c)
- Wagner-Peyser Act sec. 13(a), 29 U.S.C. 49i(a)
- Priority of Service for veterans in Department of Labor job training programs sec. 38 U.S.C. 4215(a)(2).

In 2012, ETA modified the reporting system to collect several additional statutorily required pieces of information. The first of which pertains to the priority of service provisions contained in the Jobs for Veterans Act (Pub. L. 107–288). These provisions provide that veterans and spouses of veterans (together comprising the category of covered persons) are entitled to priority over non-covered persons for the receipt of employment, training, and placement services provided under new or existing qualified job training programs. Qualified job training programs are defined at 38 U.S.C. 4215(a)(2) as any workforce preparation, development or delivery program or service that is directly funded, in whole or in part, by the Department.

Additional items are required under Pub. L. 112–56, Title II, Vow to Hire Heroes, Sections 238 and 239, and pertain to: (1) Performance measures on job counseling, training and placement programs of the Department; and (2) clarifications of priority of service for veterans in the Department’s job training programs.

These requirements impacted both the ETA 9002 and VETS 200 reports. Lastly, the expansive focus on veteran reemployment initiatives has necessitated collection of additional information on groups of veterans (such as Post 9/11 era veterans), targeted services they received, and additional aspects of their outcomes in order to monitor and oversee their effectiveness.