
PBGC will make all comments available on its Web site at www.pbgc.gov.

Copies of the collection of information may be obtained without charge by writing to the Disclosure Division of the Office of the General Counsel of PBGC at the above address or by visiting that office or calling 202–326–4040 during normal business hours. (TTY and TDD users may call the Federal relay service toll-free at 1–800–877–8339 and ask to be connected to 202–326–4040.) The regulations relating to this collection of information are available on PBGC’s Web site at www.pbgc.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: PBGC intends to request that OMB approve modifications to a collection of information needed to pay participants and beneficiaries who may be entitled to pension benefits under defined benefit plans that have terminated. The collection consists of information participants and beneficiaries are asked to provide in connection with an application for benefits. In addition, in some instances, as part of an effort to identify participants and beneficiaries who may be entitled to benefits, PBGC requests individuals to provide identifying information that the individual would provide as part of an initial contact with PBGC. All requested information is needed to enable PBGC to determine benefit entitlements and to make appropriate payments.

The information collection includes My Pension Benefit Account (My PBA), an application on PBGC’s Web site, http://www.pbgc.gov, through which plan participants and beneficiaries may conduct electronic transactions with PBGC, including applying for pension benefits, designating a beneficiar, granting a power of attorney, electing monthly payments, electing to withhold income tax from periodic payments, changing contact information, and applying for electronic direct deposit. PBGC is proposing to add a new form to the information collection: Form XXX, Benefit Inquiry Questionnaire. PBGC will send this form to individuals who contact PBGC to inquire whether PBGC is holding any benefits to which they are entitled. The questionnaire will request information that PBGC needs to determine whether the individual is owed benefits and, if so, the benefit amount.

In addition, PBGC is making clarifying, simplifying, editorial, and other changes to other forms in the information collection.

The existing collection of information under the regulation was approved under OMB control number 1212–0055 (expires December 31, 2015). PBGC intends to request that OMB extend its approval (with modifications) for three years. 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.

PBGC estimates the total annual burden associated with this collection of information will be 73,000 hours and $1,900.

PBGC is soliciting public comments to—

• Evaluate whether the 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 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 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.

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Submission for Review: Health Benefits Election Form

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: 30-Day notice and request for comments.