

Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) reporting requirements and requirements for reporting on real property acquired under the award.

Second, the *Section 309 Strategy & Assessment Program Guidance* has undergone minor updates to update the timeline for current submittals, and to ensure consistency with current NOAA/NOS priorities, as well as the CZM Program Strategic Plan.

Third, minor edits to clarify requirements and reference the new ServiceNow Performance Measure database have been made to the *Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) Performance Measurement System Coastal Management Program Guidance* (April 2011, updated June 2025).

Finally, the CZM Section 306A guidance has undergone minor updates to remove references to rescinded executive orders.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal government.

Frequency: On occasion, depending on the collection instrument.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

Legal Authority: Coastal Zone Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1451, et seq).

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0648–0119.

Sheleen Dumas,

Departmental PRA Compliance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; DOCX Submission Requirements

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (hereafter "USPTO" or "Agency") will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. The USPTO invites comments on the information collection renewal of 0651–0089, which helps the USPTO assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the reporting burden to the public. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on April 27, 2026, during a 60-day comment period (91 FR 22526). This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

DATES: To ensure consideration, you must submit comments regarding this information collection on or before November 30, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for this information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website, <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and entering either the title of the information collection or the OMB Control Number, 0651–0089. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

- This information collection request may be viewed at <https://www.reginfo.gov>. Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce, USPTO information collections currently under review by OMB.

- Email:** InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include "0651–0089 information request" in the subject line of the message.

- Mail:** Justin Isaac, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

- Telephone:** Raul Tamayo, Senior Legal Advisor, 571–272–7728.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: DOCX Submission

Requirements.

OMB Control Number: 0651–0089.

Abstract: The fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(u) became effective January 17, 2024, and is due for any application filed under 35 U.S.C. 111 for an original patent—except design, plant, or provisional applications—where the specification, claims, and/or abstract do not conform to the USPTO requirements for submission in the DOCX format. Therefore, the fee is due for nonprovisional utility applications filed under 35 U.S.C. 111, including continuing applications, that are not filed in the DOCX format. See *Setting and Adjusting Patent Fees During Fiscal Year 2020*, 85 FR 46932 (August 3, 2020).¹

The USPTO continues to provide several resources to help applicants submit their applications in the DOCX format. The Patent Center and DOCX web pages contain many resources for applicants, such as FAQs and a training mode through which applicants may file test submissions to practice filing in DOCX.² The USPTO also provides a Patent Center User Guide³ and a DOCX Intake in Patent Center Quick Start Guide⁴ to assist applicants in navigating the Patent Center system. The USPTO also provides free training sessions and videos demonstrating how to file DOCX documents in Patent Center.⁵ For one-on-one assistance, the USPTO's Patent Center Help Desk provides step-by-step guidance for submitting applications to the USPTO.

The items in this information collection relate solely to the impacts of the § 1.16(u) non-DOCX filing surcharge fee on the filing of nonprovisional utility applications under 35 U.S.C. 111, including continuing applications. In particular, this information collection accounts for the § 1.16(u) non-DOCX filing surcharge fee itself, as well as an additional 30 minutes of time to

¹ <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-08-03/pdf/2020-16559.pdf>.

² <https://www.uspto.gov/patents/apply/patent-center>.

³ https://www.uspto.gov/sites/default/files/documents/Patent_Center_User_Guide_November_2023.pdf.

⁴ https://www.uspto.gov/sites/default/files/documents/DOCX_QSG_Final.pdf.

⁵ <https://www.uspto.gov/about-us/events/patents-docx-filing>.

accommodate (i) extra review that some respondents might undertake when filing in the DOCX format and (ii) submissions of the back-up applicant-generated PDF that some respondents will opt to submit.

The estimated volumes for the items in this information collection are based on the estimates for the corresponding nonprovisional utility applications filed under 35 U.S.C. 111, including continuing applications, that are covered under another OMB clearance 0651–0032 (Initial Patent Applications). Respondents for the items in this information collection will either take an extra 0.50 hours (30 minutes) to file their applications in DOCX format or they will pay the non-DOCX surcharge but will not do both.

Forms: None.

Type of Review: Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Private sector.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Frequency: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 364,999 respondents (including 27,156 respondents from filing fees).

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Estimated Time per Response: The USPTO estimates that the responses in this information collection will take the public approximately 30 minutes (0.50 hours) to complete. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, create the document, and submit the completed item to the USPTO.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 168,922 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Non-hourly Cost Burden: \$8,472,290.

Justin Isaac,

Information Collections Officer, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office.

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CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU

[Docket No. CFPB–2026–0025]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Bureau or CFPB) requests the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB's) extension of the existing information collection titled "Electronic Fund Transfer Act (Regulation E)" approved under OMB Control Number 3170–0014.

DATES: Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before December 29, 2026 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by the title of the information collection, OMB Control Number (see below), and docket number (see above), by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Email:* PRA_Comments@cfpb.gov. Include Docket No. CFPB–2026–0025 in the subject line of the email.

- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* Comment Intake, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Attention: PRA Office), 445 12th St. SW, Washington, DC 20024–2101. Because paper mail in the Washington, DC area and at the CFPB is subject to delay, commenters are encouraged to submit comments electronically.

Please note that comments submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. In general, all comments received will become public records, including any personal information provided. Sensitive personal information, such as account numbers or Social Security numbers, should not be included.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information should be directed to Anthony May, PRA Officer, at (202) 435–7278, or email: CFPB_PRA@cfpb.gov. If you require this document in an alternative electronic format, please contact CFPB_Accessibility@cfpb.gov. Please do not submit comments to these email boxes.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Electronic Fund Transfer Act (Regulation E).

OMB Control Number: 3170–0014.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Private sector.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 600,000.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,361,056.

Abstract: The Electronic Fund Transfer Act (EFTA), 15 U.S.C. 1693 *et seq.*, requires accurate disclosure of the costs, terms, and rights relating to

electronic fund transfer (EFT) services and remittance transfer services to consumers. Entities offering EFT services must provide consumers with full and accurate information regarding consumers' rights and responsibilities in connection with EFT services. These disclosures are intended to protect the rights of consumers using EFT services, such as automated teller machine (ATM) transfers, telephone bill-payment services, point-of-sale transfers at retail establishments, electronic check conversion, payroll cards, and preauthorized transfers from or to a consumer's account. EFTA also establishes error resolution procedures and limits consumer liability for unauthorized transfers in connection with EFT services. EFTA and Regulation E impose disclosure and other requirements on issuers and sellers of gift cards, gift certificates, and general-use prepaid cards. Further, EFTA and Regulation E establish a legal framework governing remittance transfers, including certain disclosure obligations, error resolution procedures, and cancellation rights.

Request for Comments: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) The accuracy of the Bureau's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methods and the 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. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB's approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Anthony May,

Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

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CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU

[Docket No. CFPB–2026–0026]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.