

regulations, and policy, and will not have an adverse effect on the risk exposure to the insurance fund.

*Type of Review:* Renewal.

*Affected Public:* Savings Associations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:*

77.

*Estimated Frequency of Response:*

Event-generated.

*Estimated Burden Hours per*

*Response:* 24 hours.

*Estimated Total Burden:* 1,848 hours.

*Clearance Officer:* Marilyn K. Burton, (202) 906-6467, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

*OMB Reviewer:* Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., (202) 395-7316, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 17, 2004.

By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

**James E. Gilleran,**

*Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Thrift Supervision

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request—Mutual Holding Company

**AGENCY:** Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507. The Office of Thrift Supervision within the Department of the Treasury will submit the proposed information collection requirement described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. Today, OTS is soliciting public comments on the proposal.

**DATES:** Submit written comments on or before April 26, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments, referring to the collection by title of the proposal or by OMB approval number, to Information Collection Comments, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552; send a facsimile transmission to (202) 906-6518; or send

an e-mail to

[infocollection.comments@ots.treas.gov](mailto:infocollection.comments@ots.treas.gov).

OTS will post comments and the related index on the OTS Internet site at <http://www.ots.treas.gov>. In addition, interested persons may inspect comments at the Public Reading Room, 1700 G Street, NW., by appointment. To make an appointment, call (202) 906-5922, send an e-mail to [publicinfo@ots.treas.gov](mailto:publicinfo@ots.treas.gov), or send a facsimile transmission to (202) 906-7755.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** You can request additional information about this proposed information collection from Nadine Washington, Information Systems, Administration & Finance, (202) 906-6706, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** OTS may not conduct or sponsor an information collection, and respondents are not required to respond to an information collection, unless the information collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. As part of the approval process, we invite comments on the following information collection.

Comments should address one or more of the following points:

a. Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of OTS;

b. The accuracy of OTS's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection;

c. Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

d. Ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use information technology.

We will summarize the comments that we receive and include them in the OTS request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this notice, OTS is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection.

*Title of Proposal:* Mutual Holding Company.

*OMB Number:* 1550-0072.

*Form Number:* OTS Forms 1522 (MHC-1) and 1523 (MHC-2).

*Regulation requirement:* 12 CFR part 575.

*Description:* These information collections are necessary to fulfill statutory and regulatory requirements and to facilitate review of transactions to prevent insider abuse and unsafe and unsound practices by mutual holding companies and their subsidiaries.

*Type of Review:* Renewal.

*Affected Public:* Savings Associations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 35.

*Estimated Frequency of Response:* Event-generated.

*Estimated Burden Hours per Response:* 350 hours.

*Estimated Total Burden:* 12,250 hours.

*Clearance Officer:* Marilyn K. Burton, (202) 906-6467, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

*OMB Reviewer:* Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., (202) 395-7316, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: February 17, 2004.

By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

**James E. Gilleran,**

*Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0616]

### Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-21), this notice announces that the Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veteran Affairs, has submitted the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden and includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before March 26, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE SUBMISSION CONTACT:** Denise McLamb, Records Management Service (005E3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 273-8030, FAX (202) 273-5981 or e-mail:

[denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov](mailto:denise.mclamb@mail.va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0616."

Send comments and recommendations concerning any aspect of the information collection to VA's OMB Desk Officer, OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, 0616" in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ann W. Bickoff (202) 273-8310 or FAX (202) 273-9381.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VHA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VHA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VHA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

**Titles:**

a. Application for Furnishing Nursing Home Care to Beneficiaries of Veterans Affairs, VA Form 10-1170.

b. Residential Care Home Program—Sponsor Application, VA Form 10-2407.

**OMB Control Number:** 2900-0616.

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

**Abstract:**

a. VA Form 10-1170 is an application used by nursing homes wishing to provide nursing home care to veterans who receive VA benefits.

b. VA Form 10-2407 is an application used by a residential care facility or home that wishes to provide residential home care to veterans. It serves as the agreement between VA and the residential care home that the home will submit to an initial inspection and comply with VA requirements for residential care.

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, and State, Local or Tribal Government.

**Estimated Annual Burden:**

a. VA Form 10-1170-167 hours.

b. VA Form 10-2407-83 hours.

**Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:**

a. VA Form 10-1170-20 minutes.

b. VA Form 10-2407-5 minutes.

**Frequency of Response:** One time.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:**

a. VA Form 10-1170-500.

b. VA Form 10-2407-1,000.

Dated: February 17, 2004.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Loise Russell,**

*Director, Records Management Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**[OMB Control No. 2900-0162]**

### Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on information needed to ensure that the amount of benefits payable to a student pursuing flight training is correct.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before April 26, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M35), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail [irmnkess@vba.va.gov](mailto:irmnkess@vba.va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0162" in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 273-7079 or FAX (202) 275-5947.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary

for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

**Title:** Monthly Certification of Flight Training, VA Form 22-6553c.

**OMB Control Number:** 2900-0162.

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

**Abstract:** Veterans, individuals on active duty training and reservist training, may receive benefits for enrolling in or pursuing approved vocational flight training. VA Form 22-6553c serves as a report of flight training pursued and the termination of training. Payments are based on the number of hours of flight training completed during each month.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit, and Not-for-profit Institutions.

**Estimated Annual Burden:** 7,315 hours.

**Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent:** 30 minutes.

**Frequency of Response:** On occasion.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 2,660.

**Estimated Total Annual Responses:** 14,630.

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By direction of the Secretary.

**Loise Russell,**

*Director, Records Management Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**[OMB Control No. 2900-0012]**

### Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the