

Additional Information or Comments: Copies of the forms and supporting documents can be obtained from Dana Hickman at (312) 751-4981 or Dana.Hickman@RRB.GOV.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting; Notice of Closed Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Railroad Retirement Board will hold a closed meeting on December 22, 2016 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Board's meeting room on the 8th floor of its headquarters building, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611. The agenda for this meeting follows:

Closed meeting notice:

- (1) Chief Financial Officer Position

The person to contact for more information is Martha P. Rico, Secretary to the Board, Phone No. 312-751-4920.

Dated: December 8, 2016.

Martha P. Rico,
Secretary to the Board.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Notice of Closed Meeting; Sunshine Act

Notice is hereby given that the Railroad Retirement Board will hold a closed meeting on December 21, 2016

beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Board's meeting room on the 8th floor of its headquarters building, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611. The agenda for this meeting follows:

Closed meeting notice:

- (1) Chief Financial Officer Position

The person to contact for more information is Martha P. Rico, Secretary to the Board, Phone No. 312-751-4920.

Dated: December 8, 2016.

Martha P. Rico,
Secretary to the Board.

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

Summary: In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 which provides opportunity for public comment on new or revised data collections, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) will publish periodic summaries of proposed data collections.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's estimate of the burden of the collection of the information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden related to the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

1. *Title and purpose of information collection:* Placement Service; OMB 3220-0057.

Section 12(i) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (RUIA), authorizes the RRB to establish, maintain, and operate free employment

offices to provide claimants for unemployment benefits with job placement opportunities. Section 704(d) of the Regional Railroad Reorganization Act of 1973, as amended, and as extended by the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, required the RRB to maintain and distribute a list of railroad job vacancies, by class and craft, based on information furnished by rail carriers to the RRB. Although the requirement under the law expired effective August 13, 1987, the RRB has continued to obtain this information in keeping with its employment service responsibilities under Section 12(k) of the RUIA. Application procedures for the job placement program are prescribed in 20 CFR 325. The procedures pertaining to the RRB's obtaining and distributing job vacancy reports furnished by rail carriers are described in 20 CFR 346.1.

The RRB currently utilizes four forms to obtain information needed to carry out its job placement responsibilities. Form ES-2, *Central Register Notification*, is used by the RRB to obtain information needed to update a computerized central register of separated and furloughed railroad employees available for employment in the railroad industry. Forms ES-21, *Referral to State Employment Service*, and ES-21c, *Report of State Employment Service Office*, are used by the RRB to provide placement assistance for unemployed railroad employees through arrangements with State Employment Service offices. Form UI-35, *Field Office Record of Claimant Interview*, is used primarily by the RRB to conduct in-person interviews of claimants for unemployment benefits.

Completion of these forms is required to obtain or maintain a benefit. In addition, the RRB also collects Railroad Job Vacancies information received voluntarily from railroad employers. No changes are proposed to any of the data collection instruments associated with the information collection.

ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL RESPONDENT BURDEN

| Form No. | Annual responses | Time (minutes) | Burden (hours) |
|-----------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| ES-2 | 3,750 | .25 | 16 |
| ES-21 | 80 | .68 | 0.9 |
| ES-21c | 25 | 1.50 | 0.6 |
| UI-35 in person | 6,300 | 7.00 | 735 |
| UI-35 by mail | 700 | 10.50 | 123 |
| Job Vacancies | 470 | 10.00 | 78 |
| Total | 11,325 | | 953 |