DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners of War, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners of War (FPOW) will meet September 13–15, 2017, from 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m. CST at the Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel, 210 Peachtree Street NW., Atlanta, GA 30303. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on the administration of benefits under Title 38 U.S.C., for Veterans who are FPOWs, and to make recommendations on the needs of such Veterans for compensation, health care, and rehabilitation.

On Wednesday, September 13, the Committee will convene an open session to recognize and hear briefings from the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) officials and external stakeholders.

On Thursday, September 14, the Committee will assemble an open session for discussion and hear briefings from the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) and Veterans Health Administration (VHA) officials and external stakeholders.

On Friday, September 15, the Committee will participate in a National POW/MIA Recognition Day Ceremony at the Atlanta VA Medical Center located at 1700 Clairmont Road, Decatur, GA 30033. At 12:00 p.m., the committee meeting will be formally adjourned.

FPOWs who wish to speak at the public forum are invited to submit a 1–2 page commentary for inclusion in official meeting records. Any member of the public may also submit a 1–2 page commentary for the Committee's review.

Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting or seeking additional information should contact Ms. Leslie N. Williams, Designated Federal Officer, Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners of War at *Leslie.Williams1@va.gov* or via phone at (202) 530–9219.

Dated: August 21, 2017.

Jelessa M. Burney,

Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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[OMB Control No. 2900–0836]

Agency Information Collection Activity: NVSBE Post Engagement Survey

AGENCY: Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (OSDBU), 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 reinstatement of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before October 23, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through *www.Regulations.gov;* or Milagros Ortiz (00SB), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420 or email: *Milagros.Ortiz@va.gov*). Please refer to ''OMB Control No. 2900–0836'' in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at *www.Regulations.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Milagros Ortiz at (202) 461–4279 or FAX (202) 461–4301.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, 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, CVE invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of CVE's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of CVE'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.

Authority: Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521.

Title: NVSBE Post-Engagement Survey.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0836.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Vetbiz Vendor Information Pages Verification Program is used to assist federal agencies in identifying small businesses owned and controlled by veterans and service-connected disable veterans. The information is necessary to ensure that veteran own businesses are given the opportunity to participate in Federal contracts and receive contract solicitations information automatically. VA will use the data collected to verify small businesses as veteran-owned or service-disabled veteran-owned.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Annual Burden: 167 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annual.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,000.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,

Department Clearance Officer, Office of Quality and Compliance, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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