Supporting Statement for the Annual Report on State MOE Programs

A. Justification

1. The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA) amended the Social Security Act and imposed certain data collection requirements including section)411(b)(3) (data collection and reporting), which requires the annual reporting of the characteristics of programs funded by PRWORA.. These requirements are also discussed in Part 265 of the TANF final rule that was published on April 12, 1999. The requirement remains unchanged under the Deficit Reduction Act of 2006 and the TANF Reauthorization Interim Final Rule.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 611.

- 2. These data will be used to assess and evaluate the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program (TANF) to include documentation of the characteristics of each State TANF and SSP-MOE program including design, operation, and populations served.
- 3. We encourage States to submit this report as an electronic file via email.
- 4. There are no TANF-specific data available that are similar to what we collect with this information collection.
- 5. This collection of information does not impact small businesses or other small entities. It will affect only states and territories and has been held to the absolute minimum required for the intended uses.
- 6. The statute mandates the annual collection of the Annual Report on State MOE Programs.
- 7. This collection of information does not involve any special circumstances and will not result in a system of records. The data relate to program characteristics only.
- 8. On November 28, 2006, the Administration for Children and Families published in the Federal Register a notice of Proposed Information Collection Activity requesting comments on this information collection activity. We received no comments in response to the notice. We have made no changes to the information collection as proposed. On January 24, 2007, we published the second Federal Register notice.
- 9. This data collection does not involve any payment or gift to respondents other than remuneration of grantees.

- 10. This data collection does not constitute a Privacy Act System of Records.
- 11. This data collection does not contain any questions of a sensitive nature.
- 12. The information in this item is the basis for completing item 13 on the Paperwork Reduction Act Submission form (83-1). There is no change from the previous estimate except for the decrease in burden resulting from the deletion of the Caseload Reduction Report and The Reasonable Cause/Collective Compliance Process.

The estimated burden for this data collection is:

Instrument or Requirement	No. of Respondents	Yearly Submittals	Average Burden Hours per Response	Total Burden Hours
Annual Report on State MOE Programs – ACF-204 §265.9(b)-(c)6	54	1	128	6,912
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:				6,912

13. The following is an estimate of the annual cost burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. (The estimate does not include the cost of any hour burden shown in items 12 and 14 of this supporting statement).

For this information collections, we estimate there to be zero average annualized capital/start-up and operational and maintenance costs (CSO&M). There is no change from the previous estimate. The only costs would be those associated with the hour burden shown in items 12 and 14 of this supporting statement.

14. This item does not reflect any of the costs shown in items 12 and 13 of this supporting statement, nor does it correspond to any item on the Paperwork Reduction Act Submission form (83-1).

We estimate total annual federal burden to be 243 hours. This includes the costs of information collection, development, printing forms, mailing list compilation and maintenance, mailing, editing, calculations, analysis, evaluation, publication of results, technical assistance, and monitoring. Based on an estimated average hourly federal salary of \$100 per hour (including fringe benefits, overhead, etc), the total estimated average annual Federal cost is \$24,300.

- 15. There were originally three information collections under 0970-0248. Two of these have been deleted as they were superseded by information collections resulting from the TANF Reauthorization Interim Final Rule. These information collections were approved under OMB Control Number 0970-0309.
- 16. We analyze and compile these data at the end of each fiscal year after the states have transmitted the data to us. These data will also provide us with the necessary information to carry out our other financial management and oversight responsibilities. Other analyses will include, but not necessarily be limited to, analyses of the impacts of various TANF provisions and descriptions of the characteristics of the populations served. We publish these findings in the TANF Annual Report to Congress.
- 17. Not applicable.
- 18. Not applicable.
- B. Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods

This information collection does not employ statistical methods.