

. A notice of proposed information collection was published in the *Federal Register* on May 29, 2007, giving persons outside the agency an opportunity to comment on the form. No comments were received.

. No payment or gift is provided to respondents.

. This information collection is protected by the Privacy Act of 1974 and Office of Personnel Management (OPM) regulations (5 CFR 841.108). The routine uses for disclosure appear in the *Federal Register* for OPM/Central-1 (64 FR 54930, *et. seq.*, October 8, 1999 as amended at 65 FR 25775, May 3, 2000).

. The information collection does not include questions of a sensitive nature, such as sexual behavior and attitudes, religious beliefs, and other matters that are commonly considered private.

. Approximately 1693 deferred/postponed retirements are processed annually. The form requires approximately 60 minutes to complete. An annual burden of 1693 hours is estimated.

. There is no cost to the respondent.

. The annualized cost to the Federal government is \$152,962.55. This cost includes employees' salary hours devoted to the program, forms cost and overhead.

. The respondent burden has been revised upward due to the growing number of Federal employees covered under FERS.

. The results of this information collection are not published.

. It is not cost-effective to reprint the whole supply of forms to change the OMB clearance expiration date. Therefore, we seek approval not to display the date on the form.

. There are no exceptions to the certification statement.