83-I Supporting Statement

Part A—Justification

1. Explain the circumstances that make the collection of information necessary. Identify any legal or administrative requirements that necessitate the collection. Attach a copy of the appropriate section of each statute and regulation mandating or authorizing the collection of information.

Marshall Star will collect names and phone numbers to be placed in classified ads. The information collected will be used as contact information for items being sold in the classified ad portion of the publication.

2. Indicate how, by whom, and for what purpose the information is to be used. Except for a new collection, indicate the actual use the agency has made of the information received from the current collection.

Marshall Star recently decided to make its monthly publication available online. Marshall Star will collect names and phone numbers of Marshall employees and retirees that wish to submit a classified ad in the publication. This is a new collection. Only the phone numbers are stored, no names. They are archived for an indefinite amount of time.

3. Describe whether, and to what extent, the collection of information involves the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other form of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses, and the basis for the decision for adopting this means of collection. Also describe any consideration of using information technology to reduce burden.

The names and phone numbers collected for classified ads will be stored in a database. The classified ad information is collected via telephone by an administrator in the OSAC office. Name and phone number is collected, only phone number is published.

4. Describe efforts to identify duplication. Show specifically why any similar information already available cannot be used or modified for use for the purposes described in Item 2 above.

No duplication is involved.

5. If the collection of information impacts small businesses or other small entities (Item 5 of OMB Form 83-I), describe any methods used to reduce burden.

Small businesses will not be impacted.

6. Describe the consequence to Federal program or policy activities if the collection is not conducted or is conducted less frequently, as well as any technical or legal obstacles to reducing burden.

N/A

- 7. Explain any special circumstances that would cause an information collection to be conducted in a manner:
 - a. requiring respondents to report information to the agency more often than quarterly;
 - b. requiring respondents to prepare a written response to a collection of information in fewer than 30 days after receipt of it;
 - c. requiring respondents to submit more than an original and two copies of any document:
 - d. requiring respondents to retain records, other than health, medical, government contract, grand-in-aid, or tax records, for more than three years;
 - e. in connection with a statistical survey, that is not designed to produce valid and reliable results that can be generalized to the universe of study;
 - f. requiring the use of a statistical data classification that has not been reviewed or approved by OMB;
 - g. that includes a pledge of confidentiality that is not supported by authority established in statute or regulation, that is not supported by disclosure and data security policies that are consistent with the pledge, or which unnecessarily impedes sharing of data with other agencies for compatible confidential use; or
 - h. requiring respondents to submit proprietary trade secrets, or other confidential information unless the agency can demonstrate that it has instituted procedures to protect the information's confidentiality to the extent permitted by law.

This is a one-time collection in which participants will volunteer information. None of the concerns in this question are applicable.

8. If applicable, provide a copy and identify the date and page number of publication in the Federal Register of the agency's notice, required by 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on the information collection prior to submission to OMB. Summarize public comments received in response to that notice and describe actions taken by the agency in response to these comments. Specifically address comments received on cost and hour burden.

Describe efforts to consult with persons outside the agency to obtain their views on the availability of data, frequency of collection, the clarity of instructions and recordkeeping, disclosure, or reporting format (if any), and on the data elements to be recorded,

disclosed, or reported.

Consultation with representatives of those from whom information is to be obtained or those who must compile records should occur at least once every three years—even if the collection of information activity is the same as in prior periods. There may be circumstances that may preclude consultation in a specific situation. These circumstances should be explained.

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60-day Notice: Federal Register Citation: Citation Date:

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30-day Notice: Federal Register Citation: Citation Date:

10 FR 138 10/26/2010

9. Explain any decision to provide any payment of gift to respondents, other than remuneration of contractors or grantees.

N/A

10. Describe any assurance of confidentiality provided to respondents and the basis for the assurance in statute, regulation, or agency policy.

Currently there is no assurance of confidentiality in place. The emails for personal ads are filed away and the personal information is not given out. The ads are deleted permanently after a few weeks.

The following statement is given to retirees placing an ad in the Marshall Star by the administrator:

"Only your phone number will be published with the ad but for my records I need your name as well. I store your personal information in hardcopy format and keep it in a folder for 30 days then it is shredded."

11. Provide additional justification for any questions of a sensitive nature, such as sexual behavior and attitudes, religious beliefs, and other matters that are commonly considered private. This justification should include the reasons why the agency considers the questions necessary, the specific uses to be made of the information, the explanation to be given to persons from whom the information is requested, and any steps taken to obtain their consent.

- 12. Provide estimates of the hour burden of the collection of information. The statement should:
 - a. Indicate the number of respondents, frequency of response, annual hour burden, and an explanation of how the burden was estimated. Unless directed to do so, agencies should not conduct special surveys to obtain information on which to base hour burden estimates. Consultation with a sample (fewer than 10) of potential respondents is desirable. If the hour burden on respondents is expected to vary widely because of differences in activity, size, or complexity, show the range of estimated hour burden, and explain the reasons for the variance. Generally, estimates should not include burden hours for customary and usual business practices.
 - b. If this request for approval covers more than one form, provide separate hour burden estimates for each form and aggregate the hour burdens in Item 13 of OMB Form 83-I.

The hour burden of collecting the information for the classified ads will be minimal.

- 13. Provide an estimate for the total annual cost burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. (Do not include the cost of any hour burden shown in Items 12 and 14.)
 - The cost estimate should be split into two components:
 - o a total capital and start-up cost component (annualized over its expected useful life) and
 - o a total operation and maintenance and purchase of services component.
 - The estimates should take into account costs associated with generating, maintaining, and disclosing or providing the information. Include descriptions of methods used to estimate major cost factors including system and technology acquisition, expected useful life of capital equipment, the discount rate(s), and the time period over which costs will be incurred. Capital and start-up costs include, among other items, preparations for collecting information such as purchasing computers and software; monitoring, sampling, drilling and testing equipment, and record storage facilities.
 - If cost estimates are expected to vary widely, agencies should present ranges
 of cost burdens and explain the reasons for the variance. The cost of
 purchasing or contracting out information collections services should be a part
 of this cost burden estimate. In developing cost burden estimates, agencies

- may consult with a sample of respondents (fewer than 10), utilize the 60-day pre-OMB submission public comment process, and use existing economic or regulatory impact analysis associated with the rulemaking containing the information collection, as appropriate.
- Generally, estimates should not include purchases of equipment or services, or portions thereof, made (1) prior to October 1, 1995, (2) to achieve regulatory compliance with requirements not associated with the information collection, (3) for reasons other than to provide information or keep records for the government, or (4) as part of customary and usual business or private practices.

There is no cost to participants.

14. Provide estimates of annualized costs to the Federal government. Also, provide a description of the method used to estimate cost, which should include quantification of hours, operational expenses (such as equipment, overhead, printing, and support staff), and any other expense that would not have been incurred without this collection of information. Agencies may also aggregate cost estimates from Items 12, 13, and 14 in a single table.

N/A

15. Explain the reasons for any program changes or adjustments reported in items 13 or 14 of the OMB Form 83-I.

N/A

16. For collections of information whose results will be published, outline plans for tabulation and publication. Address any complex analytical techniques that will be used. Provide the time schedule for the entire project, including beginning and ending dates of the collection of information, completion of report, publication dates, and other actions.

N/A

17. If seeking approval to not display the expiration date for OMB approval of the information collection, explain the reasons that display would be inappropriate.

N/A

18. Explain each exception to the certification statement identified in Item 19, "Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions," of OMB Form 83-I.

None