## Addendum to the Supporting Statement for Paperwork Reduction Act Submission Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security (PABSS) 20 CFR 435.51-435.52 OMB No. 0960-0768

## **Revisions to the Collection Instrument**

- We reduced the number of PABSS Program grantee submissions to one collection annually instead of the two collections annually we required under the previously approved information collection request (ICR). The reason for this change is twofold:
  - O First, we analyzed the data submitted annually and realized that one collection would meet this need, while two collections was unnecessarily burdensome
  - O Second, the nature of this work is such that often one case may extend over many months or even a full year, and one annual collection would provide us with the same, or even more accurate, information about performance and activities undertaken over the 12-month period.
- Finally, the total number of recipients across the 57 entities is relatively small (5,000) and we felt true accomplishments on behalf of these recipients could be more richly assessed annually rather than semiannually. In addition, the Terms and Conditions of the awards clearly indicate we planned to reduce the collection to once annually after we established the initial PABSS collection.
- We informed all the grantees of the change, and plan to implement this change as soon as OMB approves this ICR.
- SSA's Office of the General Counsel is conducting a systematic review of SSA's Privacy Act Statement on agency forms and applications. As a result, SSA is revising the Privacy Act Statement on this application.