

Academy Express also states that MCIZ has a bus stop in New York City and licenses for two park-and-ride facilities in Nassau and Suffolk Counties, NY.

According to Academy Express, Go Bus and MCIZ have decided to cease acting as motor carriers. Under the proposed transaction, Academy Express seeks to acquire the interstate and intrastate operating authorities of Go Bus, its customer lists, telephone numbers, Web sites, and trade name, as well as MCIZ's contract with the New York City Board of Education, its bus stop in New York City and its licenses for the two park-and-ride facilities in Nassau and Suffolk Counties, NY.<sup>3</sup> Academy Express states that, if the transaction is approved, it would provide most, if not all, of the operations currently provided by Go Bus and MCIZ.

Under 49 U.S.C. 14303(b), the Board must approve and authorize a transaction that it finds consistent with the public interest, taking into consideration at least: (1) The effect of the proposed transaction on the adequacy of transportation to the public; (2) the total fixed charges that result; and (3) the interest of affected carrier employees. Academy Express has submitted information, as required by 49 CFR 1182.2, including the information to demonstrate that the proposed transaction is consistent with the public interest under 49 U.S.C. 14303(b), and a statement pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 14303(g) that the 12-month aggregate gross operating revenues of Academy Express exceeded \$2 million.

With respect to the effect of the transaction on the adequacy of transportation to the public, Academy Express states that the proposed acquisition would benefit the patrons of Go Bus and MCIZ. According to Academy Express, passengers would be able to travel in newer, more comfortable, and better maintained buses, and would have more frequent service at a lower cost than was offered by Go Bus or MCIZ. Academy Express states that the proposed transaction would have little or no effect on competitive conditions in the special and charter bus markets. Academy Express states that it would compete with Greyhound Lines, Inc., Peter Pan Bus Lines, Inc., Martz Trailways, Magic Carpet Tours, and Majestic Tours, Inc., in providing service between New York City and Cambridge and Newton. Academy Express also states that it

would compete with various services of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority in rendering service between Glen Cove and New York City, as well as in competing for the contract with the New York City Board of Education. Academy Express states that the proposed transaction would have no effect on total fixed charges. Further, Academy Express states that the transaction would have little or no effect upon Go Bus and MCIZ's employees, as the substantial majority of these employees would continue to be employed by the affiliate or other related entities of Go Bus, or may be offered employment with Academy Express.

On the basis of the application, the Board finds that the proposed acquisition of control is consistent with the public interest and should be tentatively approved and authorized. If any opposing comments are timely filed, this finding will be deemed vacated, and, unless a final decision can be made on the record as developed, a procedural schedule will be adopted to reconsider the application. See 49 CFR 1182.6(c). If no opposing comments are filed by the expiration of the comment period, this notice will take effect automatically and will be the final Board action.

Academy Express's application and supplemental filing, as well as Board decisions and notices, are available on our Web site at [www.stb.dot.gov](http://www.stb.dot.gov).

This decision will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

*It is ordered:*

1. The proposed transaction is approved and authorized, subject to the filing of opposing comments.
2. If opposing comments are timely filed, the findings made in this notice will be deemed as having been vacated.
3. This notice will be effective November 11, 2014, unless opposing comments are timely filed.
4. A copy of this decision will be served on: (1) The U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590; (2) the U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division, 10th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20530; and (3) the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the General Counsel, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590.

Decided: September 18, 2014.

By the Board, Chairman Elliott, Vice Chairman Miller, and Commissioner Begeman.

**Jeffrey Herzig,**

*Clearance Clerk.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0390]

### Agency Information Collection (Restored Entitlement Program for Survivors) Activity Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 24, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov), or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to [oira\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oira_submission@omb.eop.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0390" in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Crystal Rennie, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632-7492 or email [crystal.rennie@va.gov](mailto:crystal.rennie@va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0390."

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Application of Surviving Spouse or Child for REPS Benefits (Restored Entitlement Program for Survivors), VA Form 21-8924.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0390.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* Survivors of deceased Veteran's complete VA Form 21-8924 to apply for Restored Entitlement Program

<sup>3</sup> According to the application, Academy Express would not acquire Go Bus and MCIZ's buses. Instead, those buses would be conveyed to a company called ABC Companies, a noncarrier.

for Survivors (REPS) benefits. REPS benefits is payable to certain surviving spouses and children of Veterans who died in service prior to August 13, 1981, or who died as a result of a service-connected disability incurred or aggravated prior to August 13, 1981.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on June 12, 2014, at pages 33809–33810.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 600 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per*

*Respondent:* 20 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* One time.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,800.

Dated: September 19, 2014.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Crystal Rennie,**

*Department Clearance Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0101]

### Agency Information Collection (Eligibility Verification Reports) Activity Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3521), this notice announces that the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden; it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 24, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through *www.Regulations.gov*, or to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attn: VA Desk Officer; 725 17th St. NW., Washington, DC 20503 or sent through electronic mail to *oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov*. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0510” in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Crystal Rennie, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632–7492 or email *crystal.rennie@va.gov*. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–0510.”

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Application for Exclusion of Children’s Income, VA Form 21–0571.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900–0510.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* The data collected on VA Form 21–0571 is used to determine whether children’s income can be excluded from consideration in determining a parent’s eligibility for non-service connected pension. A Veteran’s or surviving spouse’s rate of improved pension is determined by family income. However, children’s income may be excluded if it is unavailable or if including that income would cause a hardship.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on July 7, 2014, at page 38362.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 2,025 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 45 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,700.

Dated: September 19, 2014.

By direction of the Secretary.

**Crystal Rennie,**

*Department Clearance Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs.*

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