**Supporting Statement for Form SSA-L8050-U3**

**Supplemental Security Income Claim Information Notice**

**20 CFR, Subpart B, 416.210**

**OMB No. 0960-0324**

A. **Justification**

**1.** **Introduction/Authoring Laws and Regulations**

Section *1611(e)(2)* of the *Social Security Act* and section *20* CFR*, Subpart B, 416.210* of the *Code of Federal Regulations* authorize the Commissioner of the Social Security Administration (SSA) to collect the information Form SSA-L-8050-U3 provides.To meet the eligibility requirements for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), the statute requires individuals file for and obtain all payments (annuities, pensions, disability benefits, veteran's compensation, etc.) for which they are eligible. The regulations state, in part, that individuals are not eligible for SSI if they do not apply for all other benefits for which they may be eligible.

**2.** **Description of Collection**

SSI payments are a supplement to other income an individual has available. SSA uses Form SSA–L8050–U3 to collect information on whether an SSI recipient is using all sources of potential income (annuities, pensions, disability benefits, veteran’s compensation, etc.) for their support. Respondents are SSI applicants or recipients who may be eligible for benefits from public or private programs.

**3.** **Use of Information Technology to Collect the Information**

SSA did not create an electronic version of form SSA-L8050-U3 under the agency’s Government Paperwork Elimination Act (GPEA) plan because only 17,044 respondents completed the form in 2014. This is less than the GPEA cut-off of 50,000.

**4**. **Why We Cannot Use Duplicate Information**

The nature of the information we are collecting and the manner in which we are collecting it preclude duplication. SSA does not use another collection instrument to obtain similar data.

**5.** **Minimizing Burden on Small Respondents**

This collection does not significantly affect small businesses or other small entities.

1. **Consequence of Not Collecting Information or Collecting it Less Frequently**

If we did not use Form SSA–L8050–U3, we would not be able to conduct timely reviews of other potential sources of income or benefits, which could result in overpayments to SSI claimants or recipients. Because we only collect the information on an as needed basis, we cannot collect it less frequently.

There are no technical or legal obstacles to burden reduction.

**7.** **Special Circumstances**

There are no special circumstances that would cause SSA to conduct this information collection in a manner inconsistent with 5 CFR 1320.5.

**8.** **Solicitation of Public Comment and Other Consultations with the Public**

SSA published the 60-day advance Federal Register Notice published on September 25, 2014, at 79 FR 57650, and we received no public comments. We published the 30-day Federal Register Notice on December 15, 2014 at 79 FR 74154. If we receive any public comments in response to the 30-day Notice, we will forward them to OMB.

**9.** **Payment or Gifts to Respondents**

SSA does not provide payments or gifts to the respondents.

**10.** **Assurances of Confidentiality**

SSA protects and holds confidential the information we collect in accordance with *42 U.S.C. 1306, 20 CFR 401* and *402, 5 U.S.C. 552 (Freedom of Information Act), 5 U.S.C. 552a (Privacy Act of 1974),* and OMB Circular No. A-130.

**11. Justification for Sensitive Questions**

The information collection does not contain any questions of a sensitive nature.

**12.** **Estimates of Public Reporting Burden**

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| **Modality of Collection** | **Number of Responses** | **Frequency of Response** | **Average Burden per Response (minutes)** | **Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)** |
| SSA-L-8050-U3 | 17, 044 | 1 | 10 | 2,841 |

The total burden for this ICR is 2,841 hours. This figure represents burden hours, and we did not calculate a separate cost burden.

**13.** **Annual** **Cost to the Respondents (Other)**

This collection does not impose a known cost burden on the respondents.

**14.** **Annual Cost To Federal Government**

The annual cost to the Federal government is approximately $23,100. This estimate is a projection of the costs for printing and distributing the collection instrument and for collecting the information.

**15.** **Program Changes or Adjustments to the Information Collection Request**

The estimated number of responses and burden hours has increased due to more reliable data and raised awareness in using the SSA-L8050 to reduce missed entitlement to other benefits.

**16. Plans for Publication Information Collection Results**

SSA will not publish the results of the information collection.

**17.** **Displaying the OMB Approval Expiration Date**

OMB granted SSA an exemption from the requirement to print the OMB expiration date on its program forms. SSA produces millions of public-use forms with life cycles exceeding those of an OMB approval. Since SSA does not periodically revise and reprint its public-use forms (e.g., on an annual basis), OMB granted this exemption so SSA would not have to destroy stocks of otherwise useable forms with expired OMB approval dates, avoiding Government waste.

**18. Exceptions to Certification Statement**

SSA is not requesting an exception to the certification requirements at 5 CFR 1320.9 and related provisions at 5 CFR 1320.8(b)(3).

B. **Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods**

SSA does not use statistical methods for this information collection.