BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST

SUPPORTING STATEMENT PART B COLLECTIONS OF INFORMATION EMPLOYING STATISTICAL METHODS

GENERIC INFORMATION COLLECTION PLAN FOR THE OFFICE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS OUTREACH ACTIVITIES (OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 3170-0041)

This information collection does not employ statistical methods.

1. <u>Respondent Universe and Selection Methods</u>

Information will be collected on an occasional and voluntary basis from state, local, and tribal governments and from their respective trade associations.

2. <u>Information Collection Procedures</u>

The outreach activities will collect information on trends in consumer financial markets, enforcement actions, regulatory and supervisory issues, and consumer needs at the state, local, and tribal levels. Most of this information will be in the form of government representatives providing impressions and overviews of their activities. Some information may be collected on a quarterly and voluntary basis from local government respondents who choose to engage with the Bureau. The Office of Intergovernmental Affairs expects that the majority of responses will be provided electronically through email and via conference calls. Information may be provided through in-person meetings at the discretion of respondents.

3. Methods to Maximize Response Rates and Address Issues of Non-Response

None of the information to be collected through outreach activities is especially burdensome. Further, in a comment letter responding to the proposed information collection, a coalition of cities engaged in financial empowerment and consumer protection work noted that formalized information collection, such as targeted data inquires on specific regulatory or enforcement issues, would maximize efficiency and minimize burden on respondent governments.

As these collections will not employ statistical methods, issues of non-response and non-response bias are not applicable.

4. Testing of Procedures or Methods

Not applicable.

5. Contact Information for Statistical Aspects of the Design

There is no statistical aspect of the information collection design. However, in conducting the outreach activities covered by this information collection request, Intergovernmental Affairs staff will consult with representatives of state, local, and tribal governments regarding their views on the data elements, the availability of relevant data, and the frequency of collection.