Supporting Statement for SSA-8006-F4

**Statement of Living Arrangements,**

**In-Kind Support and Maintenance**

**20 CFR 416.1130-416.1148**

# OMB No. 0960-0174

**A. Justification**

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

The Social Security Administration (SSA) determines Supplemental Security Income (SSI) eligibility based on a recipient’s need. Under SSI program eligibility rules, SSA measures need, in part, by the amount of income an individual receives. Income includes in-kind support and maintenance (ISM) other people provide in the form of food and shelter. Section *1612(a)(2)(A)* of the *Social Security Act* (*Act*) requires SSA reduce the payments of an SSI-eligible individual who receives ISM by 33 and 1/3 percent. Section *1631(e)(1)(B)(i)* of the *Act* requires that when SSA uses this information to determine eligibility for SSI, independent or collateral sources verify the information. *20 CFR 416.1130- 416.1148* of the *Code of Federal Regulations* authorizes the policies and procedures for implementing Section *1612(a)(2)(A)* of the *Act*.

1. **Description of Collection**

SSA determines SSI payment amounts based on applicants’ and recipients’ needs.

We measure individuals’ needs, in part, by the amount of income they receive, including ISM other people provide in the form of food and shelter. SSA uses Form SSA-8006-F4 to determine if ISM exists for SSI applicants and recipients. This information also assists SSA in determining the income value of ISM SSI applicants and recipients receive. If individuals do not provide this information, we determine the income value at the highest amount. We obtain this information via interviews during initial claims, when we conduct redeterminations, or post-eligibility determinations. The respondents are individuals who apply for SSI payments, or who complete the SSI eligibility redetermination.

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

In accordance with the agency’s Government Paperwork Elimination Act plan, SSA created an Intranet version of Form SSA-8006-F4. SSA currently processes SSI initial claims and redeterminations through our Modernized SSI Claims Systems. Based on our data, we estimate approximately 90% of respondents under this OMB number use the electronic version.

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

Some of the questions on this form duplicate questions asked on Form

SSA-8011-F3 (OMB No. 0960-0456). However, the householder answers the questions on the SSA-8011-F3. SSA needs the householder’s statement on the SSA-8011-F3 to corroborate the information the SSI applicant or recipient provides on the SSA-8006-F4. In no case would the same person complete both the SSA-8006-F4 and the SSA-8011-F3.

1. **Minimizing Burden on Small Respondents**

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

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

If SSA did not use Form SSA-8006-F4, there would be a high risk of incorrect SSI eligibility and payment determinations. Because we only collect the information on an as needed basis, we cannot collect it less frequently. There are no technical or legal obstacles that prevent 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.*

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

The 60-day advance Federal Register Notice published on November 22, 2017, at 82 FR 55707, and we received no public comments. The 30-day FRN published on February 1, 2018 at 83 FR 4722. If we receive any comments in response to this Notice, we will forward them to OMB.

1. **Payment or Gifts to Respondents**

SSA does not provide payments or gifts to the respondents.

1. **Assurances of Confidentiality**

SSA protects and holds confidential the information it is requesting 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.

1. **Justification for Sensitive Questions**

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

1. **Estimates of Public Reporting Burden**

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| **Modality of Completion** | **Number of Respondents** | **Frequency of Response** | **Average Burden per Response (minutes)** | **Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)** |
| SSA-8006-F4 | 173,380 | 1 | 7 | 20,228 |

The total burden for this ICR is 20,228 hours. We based these figures on management information data. 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.

1. **Annual Cost To Federal Government**

The annual cost to the Federal Government is approximately $476,130*.* This estimate accounts for costs from the following areas: (1) designing, printing, and distributing the form; (2) SSA employee (e.g., field office, 800 number, DDS staff) information collection and processing time; and (3) systems development, updating, and maintenance costs.

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

There are no changes to the public reporting burden.

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.

1. **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.