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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2017-0009]

Information Collection Request to Office of Management and
Budget; OMB Control Number: 1625-0120

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Sixty-day notice requesting comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the U.S. Coast Guard intends to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), requesting an extension of its approval for the following collection of information: 1625-0120, U.S. Coast Guard Non-Appropriated Fund Employment Application without change. Our ICR describes the information we seek to collect from the public. Before submitting this ICR to OIRA, the Coast Guard is inviting comments as described below.

DATES: Comments must reach the Coast Guard on or before December 19, 2017.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Coast Guard docket

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number [USCG-2017-0009] to the Coast Guard using the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. See the "Public participation and request for comments" portion of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for further instructions on submitting comments.

A copy of the ICR is available through the docket on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Additionally, copies are available from: Commandant (CG-612), Attn: Paperwork Reduction Act Manager, U.S. Coast Guard, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr Ave. SE., Stop 7710, Washington, DC 20593-7710.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Mr. Anthony Smith, Office of Information Management, telephone 202-475-3532, or fax 202-372-8405, for questions on these documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation and Request for Comments

This Notice relies on the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended. An ICR is an application to OIRA seeking the approval, extension, or renewal of a Coast Guard collection of information (Collection). The ICR contains information describing the Collection's purpose, the Collection's likely burden on the affected public, an explanation of the necessity of the Collection, and other important information describing the Collection. There is one ICR for each Collection.

The Coast Guard invites comments on whether this ICR should be granted based on the Collection being necessary for the proper performance of Departmental functions. In particular, the Coast Guard would appreciate comments addressing: (1) The practical utility of the Collection; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden of the Collection; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of information subject to the Collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the Collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. In response to your comments, we may revise this ICR or decide not to seek an extension of approval for the Collection. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

We encourage you to respond to this request by submitting comments and related materials. Comments must contain the OMB Control Number of the ICR and the docket number of this request, [USCG-2017-0009], and must be received by December 19, 2017.

Submitting Comments

We encourage you to submit comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. If your material cannot be submitted using <http://www.regulations.gov>, contact the person in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document for alternate instructions. Documents mentioned in this notice, and all public comments, are in our online docket at <http://www.regulations.gov> and can be viewed by following that Web site's instructions. Additionally, if you go to the online docket and sign up for email alerts, you will be notified when comments are posted.

We accept anonymous comments. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided. For more about privacy and the docket, you may review a Privacy Act notice regarding the Federal Docket Management System in the March 24, 2005, issue of the Federal Register (70 FR 15086).

Information Collection Request

Title: U.S. Coast Guard Non-appropriated Fund Employment Application.

OMB Control Number: 1625-0120.

Summary: The USCG Non-Appropriated Fund Employment Application form is used to collect applicant qualification information associated with vacancy announcements. The form allows individuals to apply for employment opportunities with the Coast Guard Non-appropriated Fund (NAF) workforce and fills the gap created by the cancellation of the

optional Application for Federal Employment, form OF-612, OMB No. 3206-0219.

Need: The U.S. Coast Guard rates applicants under the authority of Title 5 of U.S. Code, Sections 1104, 2103, 3301 and 3320. The Optional Application for Federal Employment, Form OF-612, was cancelled and the information is now collected in USA Jobs. The NAF personnel system does not utilize USA Jobs because of the high cost and high turnover rate and thus relied heavily on form OF-612 for applicants.

Forms: CG-1227B, Non-Appropriated Fund Employment Application.

Respondents: Public applying for positions with the USCG Non-appropriated fund workforce.

Frequency: Per vacancy announcements.

Hour Burden Estimate: The estimated burden has decreased from 8,400 hours to 3,837 hours a year due to a decrease in the estimated annual number of respondents.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: October 16, 2017.

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U.S. Coast Guard, Acting Chief, Office of Information Management.
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