December 9, 2022

MEMORANDUM FOR: Reviewer of 1220-0180

FROM: Leslie Bennett, Chief

Division of Management Systems

Bureau of Labor Statistics

SUBJECT: Nonsubstantive Change Request for the Data

Sharing Agreement Applications

The Foundations for Evidence-Based Policymaking Act (44 U.S.C. 3583) mandates that the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) establish a standard application process (SAP) for requesting access to certain confidential data assets across all Federal statistical agencies. Minor modifications have been made to BLS' existing data sharing agreement applications to remove duplicative questions now gathered through the SAP. The remaining questions in the BLS applications will now collect additional information needed to fulfill agency-specific data security requirements.

Attached for you review and approval are the updated applications.

Current OMB approval of the Data Sharing Agreement Applications is scheduled to expire May 31, 2025. These changes will result in a 0.25 hour reduction to the current burden estimates for each application due to the removal of questions now asked in the SAP.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact Erin Good by phone at 202-691-7763 or e-mail at Good.Erin@bls.gov.

Attachments