

*Comment Summary:* One comment was received on this information collection request to decrease the currently approved burden estimates. The commenter opposed continuing with the manual Enrollment and Payment Data template during State transitions and expressed concerns about inefficiency and unsustainability. The commenter suggested using automated and standardized application programming interfaces (APIs).

*Response:* We acknowledge the commenter's concerns about streamlining data collection, improving accuracy and scalability, and reducing administrative burden. However, we do not believe the issuers' temporary usage (six months) of the manual Enrollment and Payment Data template represents a significant increase in administrative burden. It is also necessary for CMS to have a temporary mechanism upon which it can compare the newly implemented and automated State-based Exchange (SBE) enrollment and payment data submission process against issuer submitted data. Once CMS is assured that the SBE data is reflective of issuer data, this temporary, manual process is discontinued.