E-Verify+ Extension - Responses to 30-day FRN Public Comment

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0030	See attached file(s)I. Introduction and Organizational Interest The CNMI Growers Association (CNMIGA.ORG) respectfully submits these comments in response to the 30-day notice published in the Federal Register on August 19, 2026 (91 FR ___; FR Doc. 2026-16863), concerning the extension, without change, of the information collection for E-Verify+. CNMIGA is a Saipan-based advocacy organization dedicated to the integrity of federal labor and immigration programs in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) and Guam, the prioritization of United States citizens and lawful permanent residents in the local labor market, and the elimination of systemic fraud, wage suppression, and exploitation that have characterized certain segments of the foreign-worker pipeline for more than a decade. CNMIGA's interest in this collection is direct and operational. The CNMI remains uniquely dependent on the CW-1 transitional worker program, while also hosting meaningful numbers of H-1B and H-2B workers. Manpower agencies and employers in the region routinely operate across these categories. The verified federal prosecution record demonstrates that petition fraud, document falsification, passport confiscation, unpaid overtime, and downstream absorption of unauthorized workers have occurred with disturbing regularity. Strict, mandatory, audited E-Verify participation—uniformly applied across CW-1, H-1B, and H-2B—is not merely a paperwork convenience; it is a structural enforcement tool that closes category-shopping incentives, generates continuous employer-level compliance data, and supports the risk-based auditing that the Department of Labor Office of Inspector General (DOL-OIG) has repeatedly found missing from foreign-labor programs. Although the present notice is limited to an extension of an existing collection, the Paperwork Reduction Act factors invite comment on practical utility, burden accuracy,	**Response:** DHS appreciates your support of the E-Verify program as a tool for ensuring lawful employment in the United States and its outlying possessions. DHS appreciates the attached reports and request for investigation included in this public comment. Please note that you may report suspected visa fraud to the Department of State online at: https://travel.state.gov/en/report-visa-fraud.html. USCIS also has a Secure Tip Portal found at: https://tips.uscis.gov/. Such investigations, however, beyond the scope of this matter.

	information quality, and burden minimization. CNMIGA addresses each of those factors below while simultaneously placing the collection in its real-world CNMI/Guam enforcement context. The Association urges CNMI Growers Association (CNMIGA.ORG) | Public Comment on E-Verify+ | Docket USCIS-2023-0011 Page 2 of 9 | Confidentiality Notice: Submitted for public record on regulations.gov USCIS and DHS to treat the continued operation of E-Verify+ not as a static demonstration project but as a living enforcement infrastructure that must be strengthened, uniformly mandated in the CNMI and Guam, and actively cross-referenced with DOL debarment and fraud findings. II. Verified Federal Enforcement Record Relevant to E-Verify Utility FULL COMMENT ATTACHED BELOW Attachments17	

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