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U.S. OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Submission for Review: 3206-0170, Application for Refund of Retirement Deductions/FERS (SF 3106) and Current/Former Spouse(s) Notification of Application for Refund of Retirement Deductions under FERS (SF 3106A)

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: 30-Day Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management (OPM) offers the general public and other federal agencies the opportunity to comment on an extension, without change, of a currently approved information collection request (ICR) 3206-0170, Application For Refund of Retirement Deductions/FERS (SF 3106) and Current/Former Spouse(s) Notification of Application for Refund of Retirement Deductions Under FERS (SF 3106A). As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. Law 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35) as amended by the Clinger-Cohen Act (Pub. L. 104-106), OPM is soliciting comments for this collection. The information collection was previously published in the Federal Register on April 20, 2016 [Volume 81, No. 76, Pg. 23333] allowing for a 60-day public comment period. One comment was received for this information collection to make minor edits to the formatting of the form that is under review. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments. **DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until [INSERT DATE 30] DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.1.

ADDRESS: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed

information collection to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of Personnel Management or sent via electronic mail to oira submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of Personnel Management or sent via electronic mail to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the
 proper performance of functions of the agency, including whether the information
 will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- 3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- 4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

SF 3106, Application for Refund of Retirement Deductions/Federal Employees

Retirement System (FERS), is used by former Federal employees under FERS, to apply

for a refund of retirement deductions withheld during Federal employment, plus any

interest provided by law. SF 3106A, Current/Former Spouse(s) Notification of

Application for Refund of Retirement Deductions Under FERS, is used by refund

applicants to notify their current/former spouse(s) that they are applying for a refund of

retirement deductions, which is required by law.

ANALYSIS:

Agency: Retirement Operations, Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management

Title: Application for Refund of Retirement Deductions/Federal Employees Retirement

System; Current/Former Spouse(s) Notification of Application for Refund of Retirement

Deductions under FERS

OMB Number: 3206-0170

Frequency: On occasion

Affected Public: Individuals or Households

Number of Respondents: SF 3106 = 8,000; SF 3106A = 6,400

Estimated Time per Respondent: SF 3106 = 30 minutes; SF 3106A = 5 minutes

Total Burden Hours: 4533

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