



## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

OMB Control No. 2900-0688

**Agency Information Collection Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation (VAAR), Security for Government Financing.

**AGENCY:** The Office of Management (OM), Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Management (OM), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at [www.Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov) or to Ricky Clark, Office of Acquisition and Logistics (003A2A), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail to [Ricky.Clark@va.gov](mailto:Ricky.Clark@va.gov). Please refer to "OMB Control No. "2900-0688" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cynthia Harvey-Pryor at (202) 461-5870.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, OM invites comments on:

(1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of OM functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of OM estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Authority: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501–3521).

Title: Department Of Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) 832.202-4, Security for Government Financing.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0688.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: This request for an extension is for VAAR 832.202-4, Security for Government Financing. FAR subpart 32.2 authorizes the use of certain types of Government financing on commercial item purchases. 41 U.S.C. 255(f) requires the

Government to obtain adequate security for Government financing. However, FAR 32.202-4(a)(2) provides that, subject to agency regulations, the contracting officer may determine that an offeror's financial condition is adequate security. VAAR 832.202-4, Security for Government Financing, specifies the type of information that the contracting officer may obtain to determine whether or not the offeror's financial condition constitutes adequate security.

The information that is gathered under VAAR 832.202-4 will be used by the VA contracting officer to assess whether or not the contractor's overall financial condition represents adequate security to warrant paying the contractor in advance.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Annual Burden: VAAR 832.202-4 – 10 Burden Hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: VAAR 832.202-4 - 1 Hour.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Number of Respondents: VAAR 832.202-4 —10.

By direction of the Secretary:

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