DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Agency Information Collection Activities;

Proposed eCollection, eComments Requested; Revision of a Previously Approved Collection; The National Forensic Laboratory Information System Collection of Analysis Data

AGENCY: Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 60-Day Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice (DOJ), Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

If you have comments, especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Scott A. Brinks, Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration; Mailing Address: 8701 Morrissette Drive, Springfield, Virginia 22152; Telephone: (571) 362-3261.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the 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;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information proposed to be collected can be enhanced; and
- 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 forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

1. **Type of Information Collection:** Revision of a currently approved collection.

2. **Title of the Form/Collection:** The National Forensic Laboratory Information System Collection of Analysis Data.

3. **The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:** There are no form numbers for the collection. The applicable component within the Department of Justice is the Drug Enforcement Administration, Diversion Control Division.
4. **Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:**

Affected public (Primary): Forensic Science Laboratory Management.

Affected public (Other): None.

Abstract: This collection provides the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) with a national database on analyzed drug evidence from non-federal laboratories. Information from this database is combined with the other existing databases to develop more accurate, up-to-date information on abused drugs. This database represents a voluntary, cooperative effort on the part of participating laboratories to provide a centralized source of analyzed drug data.

5. **An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:** The DEA estimates that 2,640 persons annually for this collection at 2.2 hour per respondent, for an annual burden of 5,812 hours.

6. **An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the proposed collection:** The DEA estimates this collection takes 5,812 annual burden hours.

If additional information is required, please contact: Melody Braswell, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, Suite 3E.405B, Washington, DC 20530.


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