DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the **Employment and Training** Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension collection of the MA 8-7, Transmittal for Unemployment Insurance Materials.

A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before September 29, 1997. The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

• 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;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; 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 technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

ADDRESSES: Loryn M. Lancaster, Room C-4512, U.S. Department of Labor, 200

Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210, phone (202) 219–5200, extension 368 (this is not a toll-free number), internet address lancasterl@doleta.gov, fax (202) 219–8506.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration regulations, 20 CFR 601, Administrative Procedures, contains collection of information requirements at Sections 601.2 and 601.3. Section 601.2 requires States to submit copies of their unemployment compensation laws for approval by the Secretary of Labor so that the Secretary may determine the status of State laws and plans of operation. Section 601.3 requires States to "submit all relevant State materials such as statutes, executive and administrative orders, legal opinions, rules, regulations, interpretations, court decisions, etc." These materials are used by the Secretary to determine whether the State law contains provisions required by Section 3304(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Grants of funds are made to States for the administration of their employment security laws if their unemployment compensation laws and their plans of operation for public employment offices meet required conditions of Federal laws.

The information transmitted by Form MA 8–7 is used by the Secretary to make findings (as specified in the above cited Federal laws) required for certification to the Secretary of the Treasury for payment to States or for certification of the State law for purposes of additional tax credit. If this information is not available, the Secretary cannot make such certifications.

To facilitate transmittal of required material, the Department prescribes the use of Form MA 8–7, Transmittal for Unemployment Insurance Materials. This simple checkoff form is used by the States to identify material being transmitted to the National Office and allows the material to be routed to appropriate staff for prompt action.

II. Current Actions

States could not be certified if this information were not collected and Form MA 8–7 greatly facilitates its receipt.

Type of Review: Extension without change.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Transmittal for Unemployment Insurance Materials.

OMB Number: 1205–0222.
Agency Number: MA 8–7.
Affected Public: State Governments.
Cite/Reference/Form/etc: MA 8–7.
Total Respondents: 53.
Frequency: As needed.
Total Responses: 3,120.
Average Time per Response: 1
minute.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 52 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): None.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$1,040.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: July 23, 1997.

Grace A. Kilbane,

Director, Unemployment Insurance Service. [FR Doc. 97–19944 Filed 7–28–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4510–30–M

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

[Docket No. 97-1]

Competition; National Digital Library Program

AGENCY: Library of Congress. **ACTION:** Notice of competition.

SUMMARY: This Notice of Competition announces that the Library of Congress, with a gift from Ameritech, is sponsoring a competition to enable United States public, research, and academic libraries, museums, historical societies and archival institutions (except Federal institutions) to create digital collections of primary resources for distribution on the Internet. In the 1997-98 competition, applications will be limited to collections of textual and graphic materials that illuminate the period 1763-1920 and that complement and enhance the American Memory collections already mounted in the National Digital Library. Awards will be made of up to \$75,000 to individual institutions and up to \$150,000 to eligible consortia for projects that can be accomplished in twelve to eighteen months.

DATES: Applications must be postmarked by November 3, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Submit applications to the Library of Congress, Washington DC 20540–1340.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bonnie Magness-Gardiner. Tel: (202)

707–1087. Fax: (202) 252–3249. E-mail: lc_ameritech@loc.gov. Http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/award/

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Digital Library is envisioned as a distributed collection of converted library materials and digital originals to which many American institutions will contribute. The Library of Congress's contribution to this World Wide Webbased virtual library is called American Memory and is created by the Library's National Digital Library Program.

Non-profit cultural repositories in the United States with collections of primary resources that are significant for education and research in United States history and culture are eligible to apply to the Library of Congress/Ameritech National Digital Library competition. Collections that are digitized with awards from this competition must be distributable on the Internet.

Applications from Association of Research Libraries (ARL) and non-ARL institutions will be evaluated separately, in order to encourage applications from a variety of institutions. In the final selection among meritorious projects some consideration will be given to the type and size of institution and its geographical location, and to certain themes described in the Guidelines, but the principal criteria will be:

- The significance of the collection's content for understanding United States history and culture, as well as its breadth of interest and utility to students and the general public.
- The availability and usability of aids to intellectual access that can be integrated into the American Memory resource.
- The technical and administrative viability of the project's plan of work in relation to the scope of the project.

Applications will be evaluated by scholars, educators, librarians, archivists, administrators, and technical specialists external to the Library of Congress. Evaluators will be convened by George Farr, Director of the Division of Preservation and Access of the National Endowment for the Humanities and by Deanna Marcum, President of the Council on Library and Information Resources.

Only costs directly associated with digital conversion may be included in the request. Equipment may not be purchased with award funds. Detailed Guidelines and Application Instructions are available from the telephone contact and Web site listed above.

Dated: July 17, 1997.

Approved by:

James H. Billington,

Librarian of Congress.
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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 97-101]

Information Collection: Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of agency report forms under OMB review.

SUMMARY: The National Aeronautics and Space Administration has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following proposal for the collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

DATES: Comments on this proposal should be received on or before August 28, 1997.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be addressed to Mr. Harry Lupuloff, Office of General Counsel, Code GP, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546–0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ms. Carmela Simonson, Office of the Chief Information Officer, (202) 358–1223

Reports: None.

Title: Patent License Report. OMB Number: 2700–0010.

Type of review: Extension.

Need and Uses: Each licensee is required to report annually on its activities in commercializing its licensed inventions and any royalties due. NASA uses information collected to monitor the activities of its licensees.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 100.

Responses Per Respondent: 1. Annual Responses: 100.

Hours Per Request: 30 min. Annual Burden Hours: 50.

Frequency of Report: Annually.

Donald J. Andreotta,

Deputy Chief Information Officer (Operations), Office of the Administrator. [FR Doc. 97–19822 Filed 7–28–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7510–01–M

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (97-100)]

Information Collection: Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Carmela Simonson, Office of the Chief Information Officer, (202) 358–1223.

Reports: None.

Title: Application for a Patent License.

OMB Number: 2700–0039.
Type of Review: Extension.
Need and Uses: The information

supplied is used by the NASA Associate General Counsel to make agency determinations that NASA should either grant or deny a request for a patent license, and whether the license should be exclusive, partially exclusive, or nonexclusive.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 45. Responses Per Respondent: 1. Annual Responses: 45. Hours Per Request: 6.

Annual Burden Hours: 270. Frequency of Report: Annually.

Donald J. Andreotta,

Deputy Chief Information Officer (Operations), Office of the Administrator. [FR Doc. 97–19823 Filed 7–28–97, 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7510–01–M

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Records Schedules; Availability and Request for Comments

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration, Office of Records Services