reporting requirements. However, carriers should use the service request information to facilitate appropriate, timely assistance to their passengers.

Respondents: Certificated U.S. and foreign air carriers operating to, from, and within the United States that operate at least one aircraft having a seating capacity of more than 60 passengers and own or control a primary website that markets air transportation to the general public in the U.S.

Estimated Number of Respondents:
165 U.S. and foreign carriers, of which
the Department expects all to have
achieved compliance with the
requirement in a prior year. The
Department estimates that each year
there will be 3 new respondent carriers.

Estimated Annual Burden on Respondents: 0 hours per carrier compliant in a prior year, unless the carrier voluntarily elects to modify or improve its form, and 32 hours per carrier creating an online request form.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 96 hours. This estimate was calculated by multiplying the total number of labor hours per year that a carrier is estimated to spend to develop, implement, integrate, connect, and test the online request form (32) by the estimated number of new respondent carriers each year (3).

Frequency: One-time requirement.

## 2. Website Accessibility Disclaimer Notice

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Pursuant to 14 CFR 382.43(e), covered carriers must provide a disclaimer notice for each link on their primary website that enables a user to access software or an external website that is not in the carrier's control. The disclaimer notice must be activated the first time a user clicks the link and must notify the user that the application/website is not within the carrier's control and may not follow the same accessibility policies as the primary website. The Department anticipates that each covered U.S. and foreign carrier will incur costs associated with identifying all links on their websites that may require a disclaimer such as developing and reviewing the design and language for the disclaimer notice, as well as developing, testing, and deploying the code to the appropriate web pages.

The incremental labor hours associated with providing the required disclaimer may vary depending on the number of links on the website to which this requirement applies. The FRA estimated that it will take an average of 6 labor hours per carrier to identify the

links and then develop, test, and deploy the disclaimer notice on the website. We also estimate that it will take less than 30 minutes per year for a carrier to associate the notice with any new links to external websites or third-party software added to their websites.

There are no recordkeeping or reporting requirements associated with this information collection.

Respondents: Certificated U.S. and foreign air carriers operating to, from, and within the United States that operate at least one aircraft having a seating capacity of more than 60 passengers and own or control a primary website that markets air transportation to the general public in the U.S.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 165 U.S. and foreign carriers, of which the Department expects all to have achieved compliance with the requirement in a prior year. The Department estimates that each year there will be 3 new respondent carriers.

Estimated Annual Burden on Respondents: 6 hours for 3 new carrier respondents to create, test, and deploy the disclaimer. 30 minutes for 165 carriers compliant in prior years to associate the notice with new links and third-party software.

Estimated Total Annual Burden:
100.5 hours. This estimate was
calculated by multiplying the total
number of labor hours per year that a
carrier is estimated to spend to develop,
test, and deploy the disclaimer notice
(6) by the estimated number of new
respondent carriers each year (3). To
that total we added the product of the
number of hours that we estimated
carriers may spend associating the
notice with new weblinks (.5 hours) and
the number of carriers that are expected
to have achieved compliance in a prior
year (165).

Frequency: One-time and recurrent requirements.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the Department's performance; (b) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (c) ways for the Department to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (d) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information.

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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#### Blane A. Workie,

Assistant General Counsel for Aviation Enforcement and Proceedings.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Multiple IRS Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Departmental Offices, U.S. Department of the Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury will submit the following information collection requests to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. The public is invited to submit comments on these requests.

**DATES:** Comments should be received on or before August 23, 2018 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to (1) Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for Treasury, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, or email at OIRA\_Submission@OMB.EOP.gov and (2) Treasury PRA Clearance Officer, 1750 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 8142, Washington, DC 20220, or email at PRA@treasury.gov.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the submissions may be obtained from Jennifer Leonard by emailing *PRA@treasury.gov*, calling (202) 622–0489, or viewing the entire information collection request at *www.reginfo.gov*.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### **Internal Revenue Service (IRS)**

Title: Taxable Fuel; registration.

OMB Control Number: 1545–0725.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Certain sellers of gasoline and diesel fuel may be required under section 4101 to post bond before they incur liability for gasoline and diesel fuel excise taxes imposed by sections 4081 and 4091. This form is used by

taxpayers to give bond and provide other information required by regulations sections 48.4101–2.

Form: 928.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,280.

Title: Orphan Drug Credit.

OMB Control Number: 1545–1505.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved

collection.

Abstract: Filers use this form to elect to claim the orphan drug credit, which is 25% of the qualified clinical testing expenses paid or incurred with respect to low or unprofitable drugs for rare diseases and conditions, as designated under section 526 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

Form: 8820.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 316.

*Title:* Qualified lessee construction allowances for short-term leases.

OMB Control Number: 1545–1661.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The previously approved regulations provide guidance with respect to Sec. 110, which provides a safe harbor whereby it will be assumed that a construction allowance provided by a lessor to a lessee is used to construct or improve lessor property when long-term property is constructed or improved and used pursuant to a short-term lease. The regulations also provide a reporting requirement that ensures that both the lessee and lessor consistently treat the property subject to the construction allowance as nonresidential real property owned by the lessor.

Form: None.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 10,000.

*Title:* Membership Applications for IRPAC, IRSAC, and ETACC (IRS Committee's), IRS Advisory Council, and Tax Check Waiver.

OMB Control Number: 1545–1791. Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) requires that committee membership be fairly balanced in terms of points of view represented and the functions to be performed. As a result, members of specific committees often have both the

expertise and professional skills that parallel the program responsibilities of their sponsoring agencies. In order to apply to be a member of the Internal Revenue Service Advisory Council (IRSAC), the Information Reporting Program Advisory Committee (IRPAC), Advisory Committee on Tax Exempt and Government Entities, or the Electronic Tax Administration Advisory Committee (ETAAC), applicants must submit a Membership Application. Selection of committee members is made based on the FACA's requirements and the potential member's background and qualifications. Therefore, an application is needed to ascertain the desired skills set for membership. The information will also be used to perform Federal Income Tax, FBI, and practitioner checks as required of all members and applicants to the Committees or Council. The tax check waiver permits the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to release information about the applicant, which would otherwise be confidential. This information will be used in connection with my application for appointment to membership in one of the IRS Advisory Committee/Council. It is necessary for the purpose of ensuring that all panel members are tax compliant. Information provided will be used to qualify or disqualify individuals to serve as panel members. The information will be used as appropriate by the Taxpayer Advocate service staff, and other appropriate IRS personnel. Form 8453-FE is used to authenticate the electronic Form 1041, U.S. Income Tax Return for Estates and Trusts, authorize the electronic filer to transmit via a third-party transmitter, and authorize an electronic fund withdrawal for payment of federal taxes owed. Form 8879–EMP is used if a taxpayer and the electronic return originator (ERO) want to use a personal identification number (PIN) to electronically sign an electronic employment tax return. Form 8879–F is used by an electronic return originator when the fiduciary wants to use a personal identification number to electronically sign an estate's or trust's electronic income tax return, and if applicable consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

Forms: 12339–B, 12339, 12339–C,

Affected Public: Individuals or Households, Businesses or other forprofits.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 492.

Title: Form 3491—Consumer Cooperative Exemption Application. OMB Control Number: 1545–1941. Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: A cooperative uses Form 3491 to apply for exemption from filing information returns (Forms 1099–PATR) on patronage distributions of \$10 or more to any person during the calendar year.

Form: 3491.

 $\label{eq:Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.}$ 

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 148.

*Title:* TD 9467 (REG–139236–07) and Notice 2014–53.

OMB Control Number: 1545–2095. Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: TD 9467 (AFTAP)—the previously approved Regulations under sections 430(d), 430(g), 430(h)(2), and 430(i) provide guidance on the determination of benefit liabilities and the valuation of plan assets for purposes of the funding requirements that apply to single employer defined benefit plans pursuant to changes made by the Pension Protection Act of 2006. In order to implement the statutory provisions under section 430(h)(2), the regulations provide for the sponsor of a defined benefit plan to make any of several elections related to the interest rate used for minimum funding purposes and require written notification of any such election to be provided to the plan's enrolled actuary. These final regulations provide for the sponsor of a defined benefit pension plan to make any of several elections. Notice 2014–53 (HATFA)—The Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2014 (HATFA), Public Law 113-159 was enacted on August 8, 2014, and was effective retroactively for single employer defined benefit pension plans, optional for plan years beginning in 2013 and mandatory for plan years beginning in 2014. Notice 2014–53 provides guidance on these changes to the funding stabilization rules for single-employer pension plans.

Form: None.

 $\label{eq:Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.}$ 

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 158,000.

*Title:* TD 9447 (Final) Automatic Contribution Arrangements.

OMB Control Number: 1545–2135. Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: These previously approved regulations provide a method by which an automatic contribution arrangement

can become a qualified automatic contribution arrangement and automatically satisfy the ADP test of section 401(k)(3)A)(ii). These regulations also describe how an automatic contribution arrangement can become an eligible automatic contribution arrangement and employees can get back mistaken contributions.

Form: None.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 30,000.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.

Dated: July 19, 2018.

### Jennifer P. Quintana,

Treasury PRA Clearance Officer. [FR Doc. 2018–15821 Filed 7–23–18; 8:45 am]

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### **Findings of Research Misconduct**

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), gives notice that the Department has made findings of research misconduct against Alba Chavez-Dozal, Ph.D., a former employee of the New Mexico VA Health Care System in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Research Misconduct Officer, Office of Research Oversight, 10R, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, (202) 632– 7620. This is not a toll free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), gives notice under VHA Handbook 1058.02 "Research Misconduct" § 6k, that the Department has made findings of research misconduct against Alba Chavez-Dozal, Ph.D., a former employee of the New Mexico VA Health Care System in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Specifically, the Department found that the Respondent, a post-doctoral research fellow who formerly held a VA without compensation appointment, engaged in research misconduct by intentionally and/or knowingly:

(1) Recording fabricated data that described the generation and characterization of an END3 mutant yeast strain and presenting that data at two lab meetings;

- (2) Fabricating the image of a Southern blot reported in Figure 1A of a journal article titled "Functional Analysis of the Exocyst Subunit Sec15 in *Candida albicans*" published in *Eukaryot Cell* (2015) 14:1228–39. (Retraction in: *Eukaryot Cell* (2015) 14(12):ii);
- (3) Falsifying research results by using the same protein gel to represent two different experiments: A degradation assay utilizing the SEC15 mutant in Figure 6A of the publication *Eukaryot Cell* (2015) 14:1228–39 and a degradation assay utilizing the SEC6 mutant in Figure 9A of a journal article titled "The *Candida albicans* Exocyst Subunit Sec6 Contributes to Cell Wall Integrity and is a Determinant of Hyphal Branching" published in *Eukaryot Cell* (2015) 14:684–97. (Retraction in: *Eukaryot Cell* (2015) 14(12):i);
- (4) Falsifying research results reported in Figures 4A (vacuole characterization), 6 (cell growth) and 9B (lipase secretion) of the publication *Eukaryot Cell* (2015) 14:684–97 by using images that represent different conditions than those reported;
- (5) Falsifying protein localization results reported in Figures 7, 8 and 9 of the publication *Eukaryot Cell* (2015) 14:1228–39 by using microscopy images that represent different conditions than those reported; and
- (6) Republishing falsified data from Eukaryot Cell (2015) 14:684–97 and Eukaryot Cell (2015) 14:1228–39 in the review article titled "The exocyst in Candida albicans polarized secretion and filamentation" in Curr Genet (2016) 62:343–6. (Retraction in: Curr Genet (2016) 62:911).

In response to these findings, the Department has imposed the following corrective actions:

- (1) Prohibition from conducting VA research for four years.
- (2) Publication of VA's finding of research misconduct.

### **Signing Authority**

The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or designee, approved this document and authorized the undersigned to sign and submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Jacquelyn Hayes-Byrd, Acting Chief of Staff, Department of Veterans Affairs, approved this document on June 27, 2018, for publication.

Dated: July 18, 2018.

### Jeffrey M. Martin,

Impact Analyst, Office of Regulation Policy & Management, Office of the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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# DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

# Veterans' Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the Veterans' Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation (VACOR) will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 28–29, 2018, in Room 542, 1800 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20006. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. EST and adjourn at 4:00 p.m. EST each day. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Secretary on the rehabilitation needs of Veterans with disabilities and on the administration of VA's rehabilitation programs.

On August 27, 2018, Committee members will be provided with updated briefings on various VA programs designed to enhance the rehabilitative potential of disabled Veterans.

On August 28, 2018, the Committee will begin consideration of potential recommendations to be included in the Committee's next annual report.

Although no time will be allocated for receiving oral presentations from the public, members of the public may submit written statements for review by the Committee to Sabrina McNeil, Designated Federal Officer, Veterans Benefits Administration (28), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, or via email at Sabrina.McNeil@ va.gov. In the communication, writers must identify themselves and state the organization, association or person(s) they represent. Because the meeting is being held in a government building, a photo I.D. must be presented at the Guard's Desk as part of the clearance process. Due to an increase in security protocols, and in order to prevent delays in clearance processing, you should allow an additional 30 minutes before the meeting begins. Any member of the public who wish to attend the meeting should RSVP to Sabrina McNeil at (202) 461-9618 no later than close of business, August 20, 2018, at the phone number or email address noted above.