

this **Federal Register** notice regarding the automatic extension of employment authorization documentation to March 9, 2004. In the alternative, any legally acceptable document or combination of documents listed in List A, List B, or List C of the Form I-9 may be presented as proof of identity and employment eligibility; it is the choice of the employee.

How May Employers Determine Whether an EAD Has Been Automatically Extended Through March 9, 2004 and Is Therefore Acceptable for Completion of the Form I-9?

For purposes of verifying identity and employment eligibility or re-verifying employment eligibility on the Form I-9 until March 9, 2004, employers of El Salvador TPS class members whose employment authorization has been automatically extended by this notice must accept an EAD that contains an expiration date of September 9, 2003, To be eligible for the automatic extension, the EAD must be either (1) a Form I-766 bearing the notation "A-12" or "C-19" on the face of the card under "Category", or (2) a Form I-688B bearing the notation "274A.12(A)(12)" or "274A.12(C)(19)" on the face of the card under "Provision of Law". New EADs or extension stickers showing the March 9, 2004 expiration date will not be issued.

Employers should not request proof of Salvadoran citizenship. Employers presented with an EAD that this **Federal Register** notice has extended automatically, that appears to be genuine and that relates to the employee should accept the document as a valid "List A" document and should not ask for additional Form I-9 documentation. This action by the Secretary of the DHS through this **Federal Register** notice does not affect the right of an employee to present any legally acceptable document as proof of identity and eligibility for employment.

Employers are reminded that the laws prohibiting unfair immigration-related employment practices remain in full force. For questions, employers may call the BCIS' Office of Business Liaison Employer Hotline at 1-800-357-2099 to speak to a BCIS representative. Also, employers may call the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices (OSC) Employer Hotline at 1-800-255-8155, or 1-800-362-2735 (TDD). Employees or applicants may call the OSC Employee Hotline at 1-800-255-7688, or 1-800-237-2515 (TDD) for information regarding the automatic extension.

Additional information is available on the OSC Web site at <http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/osc/index.html>.

What Happens When This Extension of TPS Expires on March 9, 2005?

At least 60 days before this extension of TPS expires on March 9, 2005, the Secretary of DHS will review conditions in El Salvador and determine whether the conditions for designation under the TPS program continue to be met at that time, or whether the TPS designation should be terminated. Notice of that determination, including the basis for the determination, will be published in the **Federal Register**.

If the TPS designation is extended at that time, an alien who has received TPS benefits must re-register under the extension in order to maintain TPS benefits. If, however, the Secretary of DHS terminates the TPS designation, TPS beneficiaries will maintain the immigration status they had before TPS (unless that status had since expired or been terminated) or any other status they may have acquired while registered for TPS. Accordingly, if an alien had no lawful immigration status prior to receiving TPS and did not obtain any status during the TPS period, he or she will revert to that unlawful status upon termination of the TPS designation.

Notice of Extension of Designation of El Salvador Under the TPS Program

By the authority vested in me as Secretary of DHS under sections 244(b)(1)(B), (b)(3)(A), and (b)(3)(C) of the Act, I have consulted with the appropriate government agencies and determine that the conditions that prompted designation of El Salvador for TPS continue to be met (8 U.S.C. 1254a(b)(3)(A)). Accordingly, I order as follows:

(1) The designation of El Salvador under section 244(b) of the Act is extended for an additional 18-month period from September 9, 2003, to March 9, 2005 (8 U.S.C. 1254a(b)(3)(C)).

(2) There are approximately 290,000 nationals of El Salvador (or aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in El Salvador) who have been granted TPS and who are eligible for re-registration.

(3) To maintain TPS, a national of El Salvador (or an alien having no nationality who last habitually resided in El Salvador) who received TPS during the initial designation period must re-register for TPS during the 60-day re-registration period from July 16, 2003 until September 15, 2003.

(4) To re-register, the applicant must file the following: (1) Form I-821, Application for Temporary Protected

Status; (2) Form I-765, Application for Employment Authorization; and (3) two identification photographs (1½ inches by 1½ inches). Applications submitted without the required fee and/or photos will be returned to the applicant. There is no fee for filing a Form I-821 as part of the re-registration application. If the applicant requests employment authorization, he or she must submit one hundred and twenty dollars (\$120) or a properly documented fee waiver request, pursuant to 8 CFR 244.20, with the Form I-765. An applicant who does not request employment authorization must nonetheless file Form I-765 along with Form I-821, but is not required to submit the fee. The fifty-dollar (\$50) fingerprint fee is required only for children beneficiaries of TPS who have reached the age of 14 but were not previously fingerprinted. Failure to re-register without good cause will result in the withdrawal of TPS (8 CFR 244.17(c)). Some persons who had not previously applied for TPS may be eligible for late initial registration under 8 CFR 244.2.

(5) At least 60 days before this extension terminates on March 9, 2005, the Secretary of DHS will review the designation of El Salvador under the TPS program and determine whether the conditions for designation continue to be met (8 U.S.C. 1254a(b)(3)(A)). Notice of that determination, including the basis for the determination, will be published in the **Federal Register** (8 U.S.C. 1254a(b)(3)(A)).

(6) TPS-related Employment Authorization Documents that expire on September 9, 2003, are extended automatically until March 9, 2004, for qualified Salvadorans.

(7) Information concerning the extension of designation of El Salvador under the TPS program will be available at local BCIS offices upon publication of this notice and on the BCIS Web site at <http://www.bcis.gov/graphics/index.htm>.

Dated: July 9, 2003.

Tom Ridge,

Secretary of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2003-15648]

Towing Safety Advisory Committee; Charter Renewal

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of charter renewal.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Homeland Security has renewed the charter for the Towing Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC) for 2 years from July 1, 2003 until June 30, 2005. TSAC is a Federal advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. App.2 (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, as amended). It advises the Secretary through the Coast Guard on matters relating to shallow-draft inland and coastal waterway navigation and towing safety.

ADDRESSES: You may request a copy of the charter by writing to Commandant (G-MSO-1), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001; by calling 202-267-0214; or by faxing 202-267-4570. This notice and the charter are available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gerald Miante, Assistant Executive Director of TSAC, telephone 202-267-0221, fax 202-267-4570, or e-mail gmiante@comdt.uscg.mil.

Dated: July 11, 2003.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety, Security & Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. 4817-N-09]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Family Report, MTW Family Report, and Reporting Discrepancy in Tenant-Reported Cross Income for Public Comments

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirements described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. As a preliminary step, the Department, by this publication in the **Federal Register**, is soliciting public comments on the subject proposals.

DATES: Comments Due Date: September 15, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding these proposals. Comments should refer to the proposals by name and/or OMB Control number and should be sent to:

Mildred M. Hamman, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4249, Washington, DC 20410-5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mildred M. Hamman, (202) 708-0614, extension 4128, for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents. (This is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the end of the comment period, the Department will submit the proposed information collection notice to the Office of Management and Budget for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This notice will address three related proposals to improve Public and Indian Housing (PIH) tenant data collection and verification: (1) Approval of the revised Form, HUD-50058, (2) approval to extend the Form HUD-50058 MTW (6/2001), and (3) authorization to collect 3 data elements pertaining to verified benefit payments from the Social Security Administration and 6 data elements pertaining to verified wage and unemployment insurance payments. When integrated, these three collection tools will allow HUD to gather more complete and accurate tenant information with which to monitor program performance.

Background

(1) Form HUD-50058

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) intends to revise Form HUD-50058 in a manner that will require changes to the HUD Form, HUD-50058 Module in the Public and Indian Housing Information Center (PIC), but will not require changes in software systems of public housing agencies or vendors supporting public housing agencies. HUD will maintain the current information collection burden until the changes in HUD's PIC system have been completed. Therefore, HUD seeks comments on the proposed revisions to the Form HUD-50058 and on the proposal to extend the existing Form HUD-50058 (6/2001) until the revisions are fully implemented.

The Form HUD-50058 collects demographic and income data on residents participating in PIH's Public Housing, Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher, Section 8 Project Based Certificates, and Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation programs. Public housing agencies will transmit the form electronically to HUD at least annually for each household.

The Department updated the currently approved Form HUD-50058 by removing obsolete and unnecessary data fields. These deletions will not require vendors to modify their software for reporting family data to the Public and Indian Housing Information Center (PIC)—the information system that collects electronic Form HUD-50058 data. Public housing agencies should not modify their software to reflect the deletions, but they are no longer required to send data in the fields that HUD has deleted. If public housing agencies submit data for the deleted fields using the file structure of the current form (Form HUD-50058 (6/2001)), the PIC system will ignore the data.

HUD conducted a two-day industry consultation session with public housing agencies (PHA), trade organizations, vendors, and other interested parties in November 2002 to collect suggestions to improve the Form HUD-50058 and the reporting rate by public housing agencies to the Form 50058 Module in the Public and Indian Housing Information Center. The Department reviewed all of the suggestions gathered at the consultation session and incorporated them where possible into the revised Form HUD-50058, resulting in modest changes to the form, none of which require changes to vendor software. HUD continues to work collaboratively with the user community to produce an improved Form HUD-50058 that meets the needs of HUD, public housing agencies, and other users.

(2) Form HUD-50058 MTW

HUD seeks comments on the proposal to extend the existing Form HUD-50058 MTW (6/2001). The Form HUD-50058 MTW collects demographic and income data on residents participating in PIH's Public Housing, Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher, Section 8 Project Based Certificates, and Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation programs and whose public housing agencies participate in the Moving-to-Work (MTW) program. MTW-PHA (*i.e.*, public housing agencies participating in the Moving-to-Work demonstration program) will transmit the form electronically to HUD at least annually for each household.

Form HUD-50058 MTW addresses the particular reporting requirements and constraints for public housing agencies that participate in the Moving-to-Work (MTW) demonstration program mandated by Section 206 of the 1996 HUD Appropriations Act. This information collection effort supports MTW program monitoring and evaluation, as required by Congress.