Overview of Information Collection

OMB Number: 3046–0048.
Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.
Affected Public: Individuals and households; businesses and organizations; State, Local or Tribal Governments.
Average Expected Annual Number of Activities: 6 known, up to 2 more anticipated.
Respondents: 1,211,052.
Annual Responses: 1,226,952.
Frequency of Response: Twice per respondent for one activity, and once for all other activities.
Average Minutes per Response: 2.2.
Burden Hours: 45,532.

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Sunshine Act Meetings

AGENCY: Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration.
ACTION: Notice, regular meeting.
SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act, of the forthcoming regular meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board.
DATES: The regular meeting of the Board will be held March 11, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. until such time as the Board may conclude its business. Note: Because of the COVID–19 pandemic, we will conduct the board meeting virtually. If you would like to observe the open portion of the virtual meeting, see instructions below for board meeting visitors.
ADDRESSES: To observe the virtual meeting, go to FCA.gov, select “Newsroom,” then “Events.” There you will find a description of the meeting and a link to “Instructions for board meeting visitors.” See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for further information about attendance requests.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dale Aultman, Secretary to the Farm Credit Administration Board (703) 883–4009. TTY is (703) 883–4056.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting of the Board will be open to the public. If you wish to observe, follow the instructions above in the ADDRESSES section at least 24 hours before the meeting. If you need assistance for accessibility reasons or if you have any questions, contact Dale Aultman, Secretary to the Farm Credit Administration Board, at (703) 883–4009. The matters to be considered at the meeting are as follows:
Open Session
Approval of Minutes
• February 11, 2021
Report
• Funding Conditions for the Farm Credit System
New Business
• Repeal of certain FCA Regulations made obsolete by Section 5412 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018
• Farm Credit East ACA's request to increase its capital contribution to FarmStart, LLP
• Spring 2021 Unified Agenda
Dated: March 1, 2021.
Dale Aultman,
Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[FR ID: 17530]
Privacy Act of 1974; Matching Program

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.
ACTION: Notice of a new matching program.
SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (“Privacy Act”), this document announces the establishment of a computer matching program the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC” or “Commission” or “Agency”) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) will conduct with the Pennsylvania’s Department of Human Services (PDHS), (“Agency”). The purpose of this matching program is to verify the eligibility of applicants to and subscribers of the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program, which is administered by USAC under the direction of the FCC. More information about this program is provided in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section below.
DATES: Written comments are due on or before April 2, 2021. This computer matching program will commence on April 2, 2021, and will conclude 18 months after becoming effective.
ADDRESSES: Send comments to Margaret Drake, FCC, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554, or to Privacy@fcc.gov.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margaret Drake at 202–418–1707 or Privacy@fcc.gov.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Emergency Broadband Benefit Program (EBBP) was established by Congress in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, Public Law 116–260, 134 Stat. 1182. EBBP is a program that will help low-income Americans obtain discounted broadband service and one-time co-pay for a connected device (laptop, desktop computer or tablet). This program was created specifically to assist American families’ access to broadband, which has proven to be essential for work, school, and healthcare during the public health emergency that exists as a result of COVID–19. A household may qualify for the EBBP benefit under various criteria, including an individual qualifying for the FCC’s Lifeline program.
In a Report and Order adopted on March 31, 2016 (81 FR 33026, May 24, 2016), the Commission ordered USAC to create a National Lifeline Eligibility Verifier (“National Verifier”), including the National Lifeline Eligibility Database (LED), that would match data about Lifeline applicants and subscribers with other data sources to verify the eligibility of an applicant or subscriber. The Commission found that the National Verifier would reduce compliance costs for Lifeline service providers, improve service for Lifeline subscribers, and reduce waste, fraud, and abuse in the program. The
The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 directs the FCC to leverage the National Verifier to verify applicants’ eligibility for EBBP. The purpose of this matching program is to verify the eligibility of EBBP applicants and subscribers by determining whether they receive Medicaid or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services. Under FCC rules, consumers receiving these benefits qualify for Lifeline discounts and also for EBBP benefits.

**PARTICIPATING NON-FEDERAL AGENCIES:**
Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (PDHS).

**AUTHORITY FOR CONDUCTING THE MATCHING PROGRAM:**

**PURPOSE(S):**
In the 2016 Lifeline Modernization Order (81 FR 33026, May 24, 2016), the FCC required USAC to develop and operate the National Verifier to improve efficiency and reduce waste, fraud, and abuse in the Lifeline program. The stated purpose of the National Verifier is “to increase the integrity and improve the performance of the Lifeline program for the benefit of a variety of Lifeline participants, including Lifeline providers, subscribers, states, community-based organizations, USAC, and the Commission.” 31 FCC Rcd 3962, 4006, para. 126. To help determine whether Lifeline applicants and subscribers are eligible for Lifeline benefits, the Order contemplates that the USAC-operated LED will communicate with information systems and databases operated by other Federal and State agencies. Id. at 4011–2, paras. 135–7.

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**CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS:**
The categories of individuals whose information is involved in the matching program include, but are not limited to, those individuals who have applied for EBBP benefits; are currently receiving benefits; are individuals who enable another individual in their household to qualify for EBBP benefits; are minors whose status qualifies a parent or guardian for EBBP benefits; or are individuals who have received EBBP benefits.

**CATEGORIES OF RECORDS:** The categories of records involved in the matching program include, but are not limited to, the last four digits of the applicant’s Social Security Number, date of birth, and first name or last name. The National Verifier will transfer these data elements to the Pennsylvania DHS which will respond either “yes” or “no” that the individual is enrolled in a EBBP-qualifying assistance program: State of Pennsylvania’s SNAP or Medicaid.

**SYSTEM(S) OF RECORDS:**
The USAC records shared as part of this matching program reside in the EBBP system of records, FCC/WCB–3, Emergency Broadband Benefit Program, which can be found on the FCC website at https://www.fcc.gov/managing-director/privacy-transparency/privacy-act-information#systems. Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene Dortch, Secretary.

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

**Information Collection Being Submitted for Review and Approval to Office of Management and Budget**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, the FCC seeks specific comments on how it can further reduce the information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted on or before April 2, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. Your comment must be submitted into www.reginfo.gov per the above instructions for it to be considered. In addition to submitting in www.reginfo.gov also send a copy of your comment on the proposed information collection to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email to PRA@fcc.gov and to Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov. Include in the comments the OMB control number as shown in the supplementary information below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418–2918. To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) Go to the web page http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain, (2) look for the section of the web page called “Currently Under Review,” (3) click on the downward-pointing arrow in the “Select Agency” box below the “Currently Under Review” heading, (4) select “Federal Communications Commission” from the list of agencies presented in the “Select Agency” box, (5) click the “Submit” button to the right of the “Select Agency” box, (6) when the list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the Title of this ICR and then click on the ICR Reference Number. A copy of the FCC submission to OMB will be displayed.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number. As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), the FCC invited the general public and other Federal Agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission’s