



SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Data Collection Available for Public Comments

ACTION: 60-day notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Small Business Administration (SBA) intends to request approval, from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the collection of information described below. The Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) requires Federal agencies to publish a notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information before submission to OMB, and to allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice complies with that requirement.

DATES: Submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]

ADDRESSES: Send all comments by email to Tamara Jennings, Sr. Loan Specialist, Office of Financial Assistance, Small Business Administration at tamara.jennings@sba.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tamara Jennings, Sr. Loan Specialist, (202) 205-6674, tamara.jennings@sba.gov or Curtis B. Rich, Agency Clearance Officer, (202) 205-7030, curtis.rich@sba.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For SBA financial assistance programs, SBA Form 413 Personal Financial Statement (PFS) collects information regarding the assets and liabilities of certain owners, officers and guarantors of the small business applicant benefiting from such assistance and is used when analyzing the applicant's repayment abilities or creditworthiness. SBA's Surety Bond Guaranty Program uses the Form 413 PFS information during the claim recovery process. The information is also collected from applicants and participants in SBA's 8(a) Business Development (BD) and Women-

Owned Small Business (WOSB) Program certification process to determine whether they meet the economic disadvantage requirements of the program.

All program offices use the same Form 413. SBA plans to revise and clarify the instructions for the Form 413 to ensure the public will be aware of the specific submission process for each program office. SBA will update the Form 413 to include recent rule and policy updates related to its thresholds for inflation. Lastly, the Form 413 may undergo additional formatting changes to make it easier to address mandatory Federal government 508 accessibility compliance.

Solicitation of Public Comments:

SBA is requesting comments on (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the Agency to properly perform its functions; (b) whether the burden estimates are accurate; (c) whether there are ways to minimize the burden, including through the use of automated techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) whether there are ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information.

Summary of Information Collection:

OMB Control Number 3245-0188

(1) Title: Personal Financial Statement

Description of Respondents: 7(a) and 504 loan Program applicants, Surety Bond Program recovery claimants, Disaster Loan Program business applicants 8(a)/BD and WOSB Program applicants.

Form Number: SBA Form 413

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 251,934

Total Estimated Annual Hour Burden: 344,174

Curtis Rich,
Agency Clearance Officer.

