



## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Agency Information Collection Activities under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected costs and burden.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of this notice's publication to OIRA, at <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>. Please find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the website's search function. Comments can be entered electronically by clicking on the "comment" button next to the information collection on the "OIRA Information Collections Under Review" page, or the "View ICR – Agency Submission" page. A copy of the supporting statement for the collection of information discussed herein may be obtained by visiting <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

In addition to the submission of comments to <https://Reginfo.gov> as indicated above, a copy of all comments submitted to OIRA may also be submitted to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "Commission" or "CFTC") by clicking on the "Submit Comment" box next to the descriptive entry for OMB Control No. 3038-0115, at <https://comments.cftc.gov/FederalRegister/PublicInfo.aspx>

Or by either of the following methods:

- *Mail:* Christopher Kirkpatrick, Secretary of the Commission, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581.
- *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Same as Mail above.

All comments must be submitted in English, or if not, accompanied by an English translation. Comments submitted to the Commission should include only information that you wish to make available publicly. If you wish the Commission to consider information that you believe is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, a petition for confidential treatment of the exempt information may be submitted according to the procedures established in 17 CFR 145.9. The Commission reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, pre-screen, filter, redact, refuse or remove any or all of your submission from <https://www.cftc.gov> that it may deem to be inappropriate for publication, such as obscene language. All submissions that have been redacted or removed that contain comments on the merits of the ICR will be retained in the public comment file and will be considered as required under the Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws, and may be accessible under the Freedom of Information Act.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eugene Smith, Director, Office of Proceedings, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, (202) 418-5371; email: [esmith@cftc.gov](mailto:esmith@cftc.gov), and refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0115.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Reparations Complaint, CFTC Form 30 (OMB Control No. 3038-0115).

This is a request for extension of a currently approved information collection.

*Abstract:* Pursuant to section 14 of the Commodity Exchange Act, members of the public may apply to the Commission to seek damages against Commission registrants

for alleged violations of the Act and/or Commission regulations. The legislative intent of the Reparations program was to provide a low-cost, speedy, and effective forum for the resolution of customer complaints and to sanction individuals and firms found to have violated the Act and/or any regulations.

In 1984, the Commission promulgated part 12 of the Commission regulations to administer section 14. Rule 12.13 provides the standards and procedures for filing a Reparations complaint. Specifically, paragraph (b) describes the form and content requirements of a complaint. CFTC Form 30 mirrors the requirements set forth in paragraph (b).

The Commission began utilizing Form 30 in or about 1984. The form was created to assist customers, who are typically *pro se* and non-lawyers. It was also designed as a way to provide proper notice to respondents of the charges against them. This form is critical to fulfilling this policy goal.<sup>1</sup>

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.<sup>2</sup> On May 1, 2024, the Commission published in the *Federal Register* notice of the proposed extension of an approved collection of information and provided 60 days for public comment on the proposed extension, 89 FR 35078 (“60-Day Notice”) The Commission did not receive any relevant comments on the 60-Day Notice.

*Burden Statement:* The respondent burden for this collection is estimated to be as follows:

*Respondents/Affected Entities:* commodity futures customers.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 15.

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<sup>2</sup> The Commission plans to update its rules to include a web-based version of Form 30 as an additional option for the public to submit reparations complaints online.

<sup>2</sup> 44 U.S.C. 3512, 5 CFR 1320.5(b)(2)(i) and 1320.8 (b)(3)(vi). See also 46 FR 63035 (Dec. 30, 1981).

*Estimated Average Burden Hours Per Respondent: 1.5.*

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 23.*

*Frequency of Collection: As applicable.*

There are no capital costs or operating and maintenance costs associated with this collection.

(Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*)

Dated: July 12, 2024.

**Robert Sidman,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Commission.*

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